



# Trudy JoAnne Crough Phillips

June 12, 1946 - June 20, 2025

In Memory of

Trudy JoAnne Crough Phillips

Trudy Crough Phillips, 79, died peacefully in her sleep on June 20, 2025, in Grass valley at

Wolf Creek Skilled Nursing Center. Her husband, Bill, and her brother, Tim, were at her side.

Trudy was born in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, on June 12, 1946, the second of eight children.

Her family moved to Southern California in 1954. Growing up in Anaheim, CA, she attended

St. Pius V Catholic School, and Marywood High School.

At 16, while in High School, she played first base for the Orange Lionettes, a women's semiprofessional

fast pitch softball team – a 1963 Women's National Championship Team. As the youngest player in the league, her batting average was nothing to write home about; but

her fielding average was .998 - she always claimed it would have been perfect except for a score keeper's error.

After High School, she joined the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange Convent, but left before

taking her final vows, to pursue a career in healthcare. She earned her B.S. degree in

Radiology Technology and worked at St Joseph Hospital, Eureka, CA. Trudy also became a

U.S. citizen after her degree.

In 1972 she moved across the Country to become the Dean of Students and Athletics

Director for St. Joseph's College, North Windham, Maine.

After several years, Trudy returned to California and worked as a Radiologic Technologist at

a hospital in San Francisco. There, she met her husband, Bill; they married in 1980 and

resided in Sonoma County.

While living in Sonoma County, Trudy attended U.C. Davis Medical School and earned her

certification as a Physician's Assistant (PA). Later, she practiced medicine at Sonoma

County Community Hospital and served as an Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine at

UCSF for 10 years. She was also the forensic examiner and witness for cases involving

child abuse; she frequently lectured on the subject at colleges and universities.

Trudy and Bill moved to Cedar Ridge in 2002. Here, she continued her work in medicine as

a Physician Assistant at Yuba Docs, until her retirement. She was an avid golfer and a longstanding

member of the Grass Valley Country Club. Trudy's was passionate about animals;

she and Bill rescued many dogs over the years.

Trudy is survived by her husband of 45 years, William Crough Phillips, and her

sisters,

Lynda (Harry) Attianese, Gail (Steve) Beeman and Lorleen (Greg) Malkoch,  
her brother

Timothy (Gayle) Crough, and many wonderful nieces and nephews,  
grandnieces, and

grandnephews. She is predeceased by her parents, Joseph Wilfred Crough  
and Anne

O'Malley Crough, her sisters Kathleen Galaise, Suzanne Crough Condray, her  
brother

Patrick Crough, and her much loved nephews, Christopher Beeman and Ryan  
Attianese.

In lieu of flowers Trudy would ask that a donation be made in her name to:  
<https://www.sammiesfriends.org/donate>, an animal rescue organization in  
Grass Valley,

CA.

Funeral services are scheduled for July 23, 2025, 10:30am, at St. Patrick's  
Catholic Church,  
235 Chapel Street, Grass Valley, CA.

# Previous Events

## MASS

JUL **23**. 10:30 AM (PT)

St Patrick Catholic Church  
235 Chapel St  
Grass Valley, CA 95945

# Tribute Wall

EW

“ Elizabeth W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Trudy JoAnne Crough Phillips.

Elizabeth W. - July 20, 2025 at 05:58 PM



“ Trudy was passionate about helping others. She found her calling as a physician's assistant. Besides her clinic work she was always ready to help family and friends with medical advice and care. She was never off duty! Gayle Crough

Gayle Crough - July 05, 2025 at 06:41 PM

TC

“ In addition to her nieces, and nephews, Trudy (and Bill) adopted a family of neighbors and friends where ever they lived. She will be greatly missed.  
Tim Crough

Timothy Crough - July 05, 2025 at 06:33 PM

CJ

“ I remember Trudy very well. She subbed many times at our bunco get together. What I remember is her zest for life funny enthusiastic excited about the game. She was a great conversationalist and very loved by her family. May Trudy rest in peace in the arms of God's kingdom. ❤️🌹🌹🌹

Cynthia de Jong - July 05, 2025 at 02:40 PM

MC

“ I remember Trudy as the family member everyone wanted on their softball team at our family reunions. She was a terrific athlete! She was generous with her attention and it was always a great conversation when we were together. She will be missed.

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**Mary Beth Corwin** - July 03, 2025 at 12:29 PM

DG

“ I was a beginning golfer when I met Trudy at Alta Sierra Country Club nearly 21 years ago. She was my partner in several women's golf invitationals both at Alta Sierra and Nevada County Country Club. She was kind and encouraging and very friendly whenever our paths crossed. My condolences to her family and friends. Blessings.

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**Diana Garbin** - July 02, 2025 at 10:43 PM

GB

“ Trudy will be remembered as "Auntie Trudy" by so many of our kids and their friends. They all loved her as she showed up for all their sporting events. Trudy is so loved!

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**Gail Beeman** - July 02, 2025 at 08:00 PM