



## Philip R. Brandou

January 11, 1954 - January 17, 2026

Philip R. Brandou, 72, of Grawn passed away on January 17th, 2026 at his home. Phil was born in Colorado to Mona (Sweeney) Brandou and the late Julian “Bob” Brandou. He is survived by his sisters Malo (Randall) and Mary (Kurt), brothers Andrew and John (Shannon), children Steven (Bobbie Jo) and Sarah (Joseph), and granddaughters Olivia, Sophie and Madison. Phil was preceded in death by both his father, Bob, and by his wife of 17 years, Denise.

Phil graduated from East Lansing High School in 1972 and immediately entered the workforce. He worked in various aerospace mechanical companies, like Howmet and Interturbine across the U.S. before starting his own company, Component Repair Management in Muskegon. He sold his business and returned to school at age 46, gaining certificates from Muskegon Community College to pivot his career toward helping troubled youth as an Instructional Aide for Muskegon Area Schools.

Phil was a member of the White Lake Fine Arts Council, the White Lake Historical Society and the Friends of the Grand Traverse Library. He also served as a board member for the White Lake Community Library and was a donor for the Interlochen Fine Arts Scholarship Fund.

Phil loved the arts, wildlife and his adopted cats. Memorial contributions in Phil's memory may be directed to Kelly's Kritters (231-590-0924 in Grawn, MI)

or your local school's music program.

Phil was a deeply private man, per his wishes there will not be a memorial service.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Im sorry to hear of Phil's passing. He was a sweet , loving , introverted soul. I have good memories of him when he lived in Texas. That was the last time I saw him. RIP Phil  
Cousin, Susan Sweeney.*

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**Susan Sweeney Graitzer** - February 24 at 07:01 PM