



Marcus Garnett Phillippe passed away November 4, 2021 in Indianapolis at the age of 89 after living with Alzheimer's for a number of years.

Born on January 17, 1932 on the island of Saba in the Dutch West Indies, he spent his childhood living on several Caribbean islands with his missionary family. He attended Frankfort Pilgrim High School in Frankfort, IN. He married Ruth Marie Royer in 1952 and then served in the Army in Japan during the Korean war. Marcus and Ruth served as missionaries in Zambia with the Wesleyan Church, Africa from 1961 to 1966. Upon returning to the US, he taught middle school industrial arts in Indianapolis. He also pastored a small Wesleyan church. Later, he and Ruth taught and shepherded a sizeable Sunday School class at a larger Nazarene church for many years. Upon retirement he and his wife lived in Avon, IN.

Marcus was a beloved husband, devoted father to four children, and a teacher who tried valiantly to make a difference in the lives of his inner-city students. He loved music and singing, swimming, carpentry, church life, and traveling. He possessed a quiet demeanor with a playful sense of humor and was a man of principle and great integrity.

He is survived by his wife Ruth, one brother Paul Phillippe (Sally), a sister, Esther Phillippe, one son Larry Phillippe, three daughters, Janet Phillippe, Brenda Auch, and Linda Taggart (Brian), eight grandchildren and four great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents Edward E. Phillippe and Eunice (Petry) Phillippe.

His sister Naomi Croft passed away just a few months after Marcus.