



## Philip F. Karno

October 27, 1918 - December 14, 2008

Philip F. "Red" Karno, 90, of New Britain, husband of Mary Kondonellis Karno, passed away Sunday December 14, 2008 at Andrew House in New Britain. A native and life long New Britain resident, he was a World War II US Navy Veteran. In the 50's, he and his wife operated the Rialto Soda Shop on Broad Street and also worked at New Britain Machine Company for thirty years, retiring in 1980.

Besides his wife Mary, he leaves two sons, Philip G. Karno and his wife Betty of Omaha, Nebraska and Charles Karno and his wife Caroline of Plainville; two sisters, Barbara Karno and Agnes Salak, both of New Britain; five grandchildren, Philip Karno and his wife Stephanie of Richmond, Wisconsin; Paul Karno and Page Karno, both in Minneapolis, Minnesota; Katie Brennan Hinckly and her husband Tim of Ledyard; and Jillian Karno in Plainville; four great grandchildren, Breelyn and Benjamin Karno, Alexie Pryd and Kyle Hinckly; several nieces and nephews. Philip was predeceased by his parents, Frank and Helen Marcinczyk Karno and a brother Edward Karno.

Funeral services are Wednesday 9:45 AM at Carlson Funeral Home 45 Franklin Square, New Britain followed by a Mass of Christian Burial 10:30 AM at St. Joseph's Church, New Britain. Burial with military honors will be in Fairview Cemetery following the services.

Calling hours will be Tuesday 5 to 7 PM at the Carlson Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the the charity of the donor's choice. Please share a memory or note of sympathy by "clicking" GUESTBOOK at the bottom of the page.

# Tribute Wall

MW

“ Dear Family of Philip Karno,

*I want to express my sincere sympathy for the loss of your loved one. You can be assured that comfort and encouragement can be found in the Bible. At Revelations 21: 4 you can read of a time when pain and suffering will be no more. What a wonderful hope. Please take care of yourselves.*

*Sincerely*

*Mrs. Sandi Watkins*

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**Mrs. Sandi Watkins** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ Dear Aunt Mary, Philip, Charlie & families

*Especially at this time, I send each of you warm, comforting hugs. Please know that I and all of the Kondon/Lorenzo family share your grief and feel great sadness upon learning of Uncle Red's death. The picture of Red that was chosen for this site touched my heart as soon as I saw it! What a wonderful smile and laugh Red has always had. I can hear his laugh and recall that grin as I write this to each of you in the family. Red has always been and remains a precious soul. I trust there was quite a welcoming party when Red stepped away from this life and transitioned to a higher level. I like to think that his parents, his brother Ed, my grandfather Charlie Pa, my father Vance Zelly and Red's dear friends who passed before him have embraced and welcomed him with joy. May each of you remember that you are supported and loved by our family in California and England.*

*With love,  
Melissa*

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**Melissa Kondon** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ I would like to just say that eventhough I only met "Uncle Red" one time when I visited Connecticut with my mother, I have one very fond memory from this time. Red would take me outside to look for fruit on his plants, and he would be sure to give me all of the strawberries that he could find. He would laugh and be so happy to see how much I enjoyed the delicious, fresh fruit! I think I was twelve years old, but Red was just like one of my friends because he liked to laugh. I am very sorry for your sadness, Aunt Mary. I love you very much.

*Love, Louisa*

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**Louisa Michele Lorenzo** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ Dear Mary, sons and family,  
Knowing Red was such a pleasure! Many times when I would call dearly loved Mary, my former sister in law, Red would answer the phone. He and I had great phone conversations! We would have so many laughs; It was just a delight. I have always felt so blessed and have felt so grateful to Mary for her continued friendship throughout these many, many years, and I have appreciated the generosity of spirit that Red was willing to share with me, as well.  
My thoughts and prayers go out to all of you, family and friends of dear Red.  
Fondly, Ru Kondon

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**Mrs. Ru Ann Kondon** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ Even though we've only knew Philip for a short time, we will miss him dearly, we will miss his smile, his sense of humor and his bright orange hat he wore to keep his head warm.  
Not only will he be missed by our staff but his presence is already being missed by many of the residents here.  
Mary you are a great lady and we will miss you as well,take care of yourself and we hope you can visit with us soon.  
Sincerely,  
Your friends  
Andrew House  
South Wing  
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**andrew house** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ Philip F. Karno

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**Tonya Walker Stuempfl** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

“ Phillip Karno has always been known to me just as "Red", my Aunt Mary's husband. I have so many happy and warm memories of him, eventhough I live on the West Coast and didn't see he and Mary often. Red was a gem of a person that I feel trully honored to have known.

When I have visited, Red was always happy to take me out for a look around in his gorgeously thriving back yard garden. He really had a green thumb and it was clear that he loved spending time working there. I would feel inspired by him with ideas for my garden, and he offered to help by phone if I had gardening questions. He always had good suggestions when I would ask.

I remember staying in their home and having the best time just sitting and talking with Red on any subject. He was interested in so many things and he was a good listener, too, because he was genuinely interested in learning my point of view. But, listening to him was the best; He had wonderful stories to tell about he and my Aunt Mary, and raising Philip and Charlie. I always have wished I lived nearby because in that home, Red and Mary's love made me feel so happy, so welcome and at home.

What I remember most about Red is how dear and loving he was with my Aunt Mary. It was so easy to see that he adored her! And she adored him- It was wonderful to see the care they showed each other just in the little details of each day.

I love Red, and he made that so easy to do with his generous nature and kind smile. His memory lives on through my family. God blessed us with you, dear Red. Now, God bless you!

My mother, Mrs. Ru Kondon, my sister, Melissa and my daughter, Louisa, will be writing their loving memories of Red, too.

We send our love and prayers to Mary and the family. Fondly-  
Michele Lorenzo

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**Michele Lorenzo** - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM