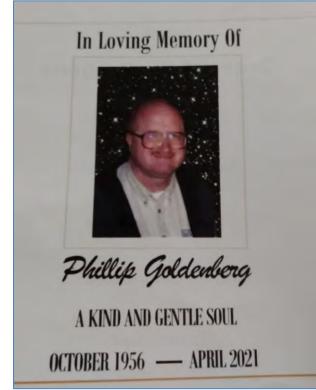
In Loving Memory of Phillip Goldenberg

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Dear brothers and sisters,

Yesterday I attended a funeral here in Phoenix for a brother who use to be in the Church -- Phillip Goldenberg. His half-brother, Arnold Evanson, who is still a member, came here to go through his things, and to bury him.

It was in a cemetery near where I grew up, in Phoenix. Everyone who died when I was young -both adults and children -- is buried in that cemetery. It brought back many memories, including people I have always felt died to help make a foundation for me to meet the Church.

I don't know, it is just my belief. He had been a veteran (Navy), and there was an Honor Guard there. I always cry when they play taps. So many soldiers have been lost in human history. I was asked to give the closing prayer.

In my prayer, I asked that God forgive his sins and shortcomings, and remember more the good he did

and tried to do in his life. I said we cannot judge anyone. We do not know the burden they carry, or the cross they bear. We can only try to help each other carry those burdens.

I said, before he died, Rev. Moon asked that we find those who had been Church members, and thank them for anything they had done for the Church. I said, "We thank him."

Rev. Staffan Berg, who gave the message, asked people there to pray for him, for 40 days, as is our tradition. We still love and think about those who left the Church. We never hold it against them. I will try to attach a couple of pictures. If you knew Phillip, or know Arnold, please pray for them. God bless!

