



## Paul F. Wilke Jr.

May 18, 1943 - January 26, 2009

Paul "Skip" Wilke Jr. Resident of Sterling Heights passed away at his residence on Monday, January 26, 2009. Age 65, born May 18, 1943 in Port Huron, Michigan to the late Paul and Eleanor Wilke. Dear Husband of Beth. Loving Father of Tracey Sean Connolly, and Michelle Mattson. Proud Grandfather of Jamie, Brittney, Clay, Evan, and Cole. Brother of Susan Lawrence Rotta. Uncle of Michael Heather Gustner. Celebration of Life Visitation at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Rd. 3 Blks E. Of Van Dyke Utica Friday 3:00 pm until the time of "Skip's" Celebration of Life Ceremony at 6:00pm. Memorial contributions appreciated to the American Diabetes Association, 30200 Telegraph, Suite 105, Franklin, MI 48025, or National Kidney Foundation of Michigan, 1169 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48108 or Sterling Heights Rotary Club, P.O. Box 373, Sterling Heights, MI 48311-0373. Please share a memory at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com)

# Tribute Wall

MJ

“ Beth, Susan, Tracey and Michelle - I have many fun memories of Skip as Susan's older brother. I remember the days at the Lake with Eleanor and Paul, Wendy, Shane, Susan, Skip and Tracey and Michelle. Our love to you all,

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**Mary Susan & John** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

US

“ Hi Beth, Joe and I are very sorry to hear of Skip's passing. Our prayers are with you now. Ursula and Joe

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**Ursula Schneider** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Beth, I'm very sorry for your loss, my condolences and prayers are with you and your family. We will miss Skip as he used to greet us at the front door with a smiling face always! Monica

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**Monica Silverston** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BE

“ To all of you who have touched our lives and shared in Skip's journey, thank you! I was blessed to be his wife. Today we celebrate his life, a life that was full and enriched with numerous friends both near and far and loving family. I'm sure he is smiling, appreciating our thoughts and fond memories....and thinking we're making much to big a deal over him, never fully appreciating the impact he's had in all our lives. He's at PEACE now, joined with those he loved who have already passed. Another angel. I love you honey, for ever and beyond.

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**Beth** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ Beth, I'm very sorry for your loss, my condolences and prayers are with you and your family. Be strong, Dave

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**Dave Lofthouse** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Beth, I'm so very sorry for your loss and ours. Skip taught me so much over the years. He was a true friend and a terrific person. Even though I'm not in Michigan anymore it was always a "comfort" to know the two of you were simply a phone call away. I will keep both of you in my prayers. May you be held in the Lord's hands as you continue your journey through this life. I know Skip will be watching out for you. I wish I could have been at the memorial service in person. Please know that I'm there in spirit. My best to you always

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**Marge Fraser** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MF

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**Marge Fraser** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ Dear Beth: And I remember him sitting on the couch smiling as we would arrive for your Raw Classes. . . . I am so saddened to hear of your husband's passing. Oh my, he was way too young! Life is so very fragile, isn't it? I send you my deepest sympathy and prayers. Hugs too. Barb D.

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**Barbara Delozier** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ To Beth and Family So sorry to hear of Skip's passing.It seems only yesterday when Skip opened up his home for a couple of week for Bob and I. He will be surely missed!

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**Sandy & Bob Wolschleger** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ Dear Beth, My deepest sympathy to you and your family. I have lots of fond memories of Skip during our directorship at the National Association of Realtors and at the Macomb Board. He will be truly missed.

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**Anna Gallo** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Dear Beth, Tracy, Michelle, and Susan: We were really sorry to hear about Skip. We know he will be missed. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Love, Mary Jo & John

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**John & Mary Jo Currie** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TO

“ To Skip's family, all our love and support at this time. Tom and Nancy

Tom and Nancy Orlowsky - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ To all of Skip's family, I was very sad to hear of your loss, but we know that he has gone to a far greater place, and that he is now seeing those whom have gone before him. May God's love be with you all at this time.

Jay & Karen Jackson - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ Hey "Big Guy", Do you remember September 1948 the first time we met? The best of buddies! Wow, all those memories, all that fun and all those laughs. Beth and Susan, Mary and I wish we were there to offer our support. Our prayers are with you. Please remember our door is always open here in Naples. Bob & Mary Raymond Naples, Florida

Bob Raymond - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ With love for Skip and his family, sincerely, Kathy, Doug

Kathy and Doug McFerren - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ Dear Beth Skip will be dearly missed in the pharmacy. I enjoyed my talks with him. He always had stories to share with us. Rawan, Flora, Kishar, Taghrid, Peter and Sam

The Medicine Shoppe Staff - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Beth, Tracey, Michelle & Susan We are so sorry to hear about Skip. He was always the cousin we looked up to literally. Our thoughts and prays are with you. He will be greatly missed by the living but will be reunited with the rest of our families that have past before him. love Cindy & Bob

Cindy & Bob Schock - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ Dear Beth, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Skip always had a ready smile and a welcoming personality when I came to class. You have been an inspiration and a warrior. May God be near you during this time. Sincerely, Diane Kinnard

Diane Kinnard - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SU

“ I was so proud of the way you handled the waning moments of your life, Skip. You were surrounded by people and dogs who loved you and the space was filled with grace. I'll miss your sense of humor and kindness especially. Mom and Dad will be happy to have you back ~ such a reunion! Love, Susan

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**susan** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ The Rotary Club of Sterling Heights extends our sincerest condolences to Beth and the entire extended family of Skip Wilke. Skip will sorely be missed by his family and his many friends at the Rotary Club. Skip was a founding member of the Rotary Club in 1969 and he was a loyal member for all of the club's 40 years to date. He was a past President and a long-term Board member most recently serving as the beloved "Sheriff", our club's Sargeant-at-Arms. Skip had a fun personality, always bringing out smiles in the members faces at each weekly meeting. He was instrumental in initiating several key Rotary projects over the years, most recently the club's own classic car show, held last year. Your friends at the Rotary Club will deeply miss you, dear Skip. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at this difficult time. Sincerely, Martin Brown, President, on behalf of the Rotary Club of Sterling Heights

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**Dr. Martin Brown** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Dear Beth: I'm so sad that Skip will not be sitting in his favorite spot when I arrive for class. He will always be remembered and my thoughts and prayers are with you. TAKE care and God Bless. Love and prayers, Maureen

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**Maureen A. Sullivan** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ We are so very sorry to lose such an honorable, intelligent and nice friend. We will miss him!

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**John and Joyce Joyce** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM