



Paul Joseph Hill

March 17, 1927 - October 26, 2022

Paul Joseph Hill of Macomb Township, Michigan passed away on Wednesday, October 26, 2022, at the age of 95.

With his first wife Rosemarie (Meyer) Hill they celebrated 57 years of marriage. They had seven children: Dyann (Allen) Pugliese, Dennis Hill, Donna (Donald) Kachman, Daniel Hill, Doris (Philip) Neumeyer, David (Lisa) Hill, and Donald (Kate) Hill. Fondly referred to the 7Ds, his children were nicknamed D1, D2, D3, D4, D5, D6, and D7. He took immense pride in being grandfather to thirteen, great-grandfather to 18, and great-great grandfather to two. He was predeceased by wife Rosemarie, son Daniel Hill, son in law Allen Pugliese, and granddaughter Donna Marie Kachman.

Born on March 17, 1927, Paul was predeceased by: his parents Paul and Minnie (Lentz) Hill and six siblings Kathleen (Stewart) McMillan, Rosemary (Russell) Griffin, Joann (Frederick) Meyer, David Hill, Dorothea (William) Johnson, and John Hill.

During his high school years, Paul was accepted to the Ford Trade School where he learned the trades of mechanics and engineering. Upon graduation he enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps and served in Germany as a ground mechanic engineer. Returning home, he wed Rosemarie Meyer on September 11, 1948. Using his G.I. Bill, Paul attended the General Motors Institute (now

Kettering University) and earned his Bachelor of Engineering. He was hired by General Motors where he worked in several divisions including Fisher Body, Chevrolet, Truck and Bus, and Pontiac in supervisory and managerial positions. He received his Master's Degree in Engineering from Wayne State University.

Through his children's school years, Paul was active at St. Anne's Church in Warren, Michigan; with the Cub Scouts; and Warren High School's Ski Club.

In Caseville, Michigan, he built a summer home which was enjoyed for decades by family and friends. He spent hours piloting his boat on Saginaw Bay for others to learn how to ski, to cruise along the coastline, and often to enjoy a beach lunch on Charity Island. He spent countless hours fishing and shared his enthusiasm with his children and grandchildren. He was an avid water skier and downhill skier who enjoyed weekend ski weekends up north with family and friends.

Following his retirement from General Motors, Paul became an Auxiliarist in the United States Coast Guard. He performed boat inspections, taught water and craft safety courses, and served as the Treasurer for U.S. Coast Guard Detroit Auxiliary (water division located at Selfridge Air Force Base). He was honored to be named the Grand Marshall of the Coast Guard Festival in Grand Haven, Michigan and was known as the "Cookie Man" at the Selfridge Air Station for the chocolate chip cookies he baked and took there for the active duty personnel to enjoy. He retired from the Coast Guard Auxiliary in September 2021 at the age of 94 and was honored at a retirement party attended by both Auxiliarists and active duty.

Through his involvement at St. Therese of Lisieux Catholic Church (Shelby Township) he met Marilyn Mooney and they married in 2016. Together they volunteered at the Shelby Nursing Home and with St. Vincent de Paul. He

enjoyed attending daily Mass at St. Therese or at the Capuchin Retreat Center in Washington, Michigan. He enjoyed the discussions and friendships he had as a member of the St. Therese Bible Study as well as the Book Club.

Paul started a family and friend tradition of meeting for breakfast every Saturday and Sunday at Big Boy's Clinton Township. The conversation and reminiscing resulted in lively and laughter-filled discussions with diverse subjects from politics to work experiences to current events to the stock market. He shared his growing up and life experiences with reflection and words of advice – not lecturing, just “suggesting”. Those breakfasts were often more than three hours and resulted in new memories and also with new friendships with the staff.

Visitation for Paul Hill will be held at William Sullivan & Son Funeral Home; 8459 Hall Road; Utica, Michigan. Visitation will be Thursday, November 3 and Friday, November 4 from 2:00pm to 8:00pm. A scripture reading and memory sharing service will be held on Friday, November 4 at 6:00pm. He will be In State Saturday, November 5 from 9:00am until funeral Mass at 10:00am at St. Matthias Catholic Church; 12311 Nineteen Mile Road; Sterling Heights, Michigan. Interment will be at Resurrection Cemetery.

The Family requests that in lieu of flowers donations may be sent to the family to be directed to the many causes he supported or to Veterans Returning Home at 17955 East 11 Mile Road; Roseville, Michigan 48066 (www.vetsreturninghome.org)

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

18201 Clinton River Road
Clinton Township, MI 48038

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 3. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm Sullivan and Son Funeral Home
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Scripture and Eulogy Service

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Instate At Church

NOV 5. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Matthias Catholic Church
12311 19 Mile Road
Sterling Heights, MI 48313

Funeral Mass

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Tribute Wall

EC

“ I’m so very sorry for your family’s loss 💔

Elaine Chateau - November 22, 2022 at 03:17 PM

CR

“ *Cindy & Joe Rice purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Paul Joseph Hill.*



Cindy & Joe Rice - November 03, 2022 at 08:05 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Paul Joseph Hill.*



November 03, 2022 at 04:17 PM

MB

“ *Dyann, We are very sorry to hear about the loss of your father and send you our sincere condolences. All f us at Michigan Soccer Association.*

michael brennan - November 02, 2022 at 06:29 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Paul Joseph Hill.*



November 02, 2022 at 06:25 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paul Joseph Hill.*



November 01, 2022 at 07:10 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Paul Joseph Hill.*



October 30, 2022 at 12:20 PM



“ *Carol Szatkowski purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Paul Joseph Hill.*



Carol Szatkowski - October 30, 2022 at 10:20 AM

DK

“ Our best memory of Paul would be our Valentine dinners at White Castle. We had such a good time with the Hill family and Pugliese's. RIP Mr. Hill 🙏🙏

Debbie and Allen Krenzel - October 29, 2022 at 10:26 PM

HL

With great sadness, I'm overwhelmed with Paul's passing into the world of 'love' with the Lord and his beloved 'Rosemarie'. I've known Paul and Rose since 1966 and have loved and admired both of them and their children. Life just isn't the same without Paul and the phone calls and breakfasts that we used to enjoy. Paul and I shared: life, boats, Coast Guard Auxiliary, and, life ... He used to tell me 'lots' of things that my father never told me 'about 'aging' and what to expect'. Thanks Grandpa Paul for being my 'other' dad ... My prayers ... today and always ... love ... herb

PS: Something I never told Grandpa Paul: I never take a shower with 'wiping down the shower stall' because when I stayed at the 'cottage in Caseville, he told me what was expected of me ... and I have 'never' forgotten his admonition or was it a 'warning'? ... Thanks and 'love' ... forever ...

Herbert J Lorentz - October 30, 2022 at 02:32 PM

DI

RIP uncle Paul you have always been on of my favorites I sure your happy to see your beautiful wife again loveand miss you

DianaRice - October 31, 2022 at 05:14 PM