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H istory/Obituary

Paul Cecil Dennies passed away in his sleep at the Casa de Campañas in San Diego after a long battle with COPD. He was born to Sally (Sarah) and Paul Clark in McVeytown, Pa.; joining sister, Barbara. After his dad's early passing, Paul and his Mom settled in Newport, RI in 1930, while Barb battled polio in the hospital. The family grew to include Corinne and Richard Jr., after Sally married Richard Dennies 7 years later.

Paul graduated from high school at 15: he obtained his engineering degree from the University of RI. He did 2 tours in the Navy during the Korean War: he worked with sonar on subs in the Aleutian Islands, which affected his hearing years later. He married Lilliane Francesca Díaz Busó in Puerto Rico in 1952, during his second tour. They raised 6 kids in Granada Hills and Thousand Oaks, and life was busy. Paul was active in St. Paschal Baylon Catholic Church, Indian Guides & sports. He and Lilliane retired in Solvang, which the grandkids called "the Farm." They were married until Lilliane's death in 2007.

Paul dedicated his work endeavors to Aerospace. His career spanned 50 years; and, he was lucky to work with many of the space race giants on the Space Shuttle Main Engine and the Supersonic Plane at Rocketdyne, Lockheed, Boeing and NASA. Paul's hobbies included basketball, reading, coins, stamps and following the activities of his grandchildren. He was remarried to Sharlee Welsh 6 years ago: they lived at the Casa de Campañas in San Diego.

Survivorship:

Paul Cecil Dennies passed away quietly in his sleep, after a long battle with COPD. His wife, Lilliane, predeceased him in 2007. He is survived by his second wife, Sharlee; and by his 6 children and their spouses: Paul(Shauna,) Terri(Darryl Murphy,) David (Sharon Peck,) Dan, Paula (Edward Ptacek,) and Pamela(Douglas Hausmann), who live in San Diego, Irvine, North Ranch and British Columbia. He also leaves 11 grandchildren: Victor Dennies; Levi Supowitz; Johsua & Jordan Dennies; Sean (Nikki), Caitlin (Fern), Tesses & Dylan Ptacek; & Megan, Matthew (Maya), and Mike (Jenni) Hausmann; as well as 5 great-grandchildren: Sierra & Sadie Espinoza and Lily,



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Aria, and Atlas Hausmann. Lastly, Paul is survived by his 2 sisters, Corinne Pierce and Barbara Pyburn, his brother Dick, & his sister-in-law, Yolanda Díaz; a large contingent of nieces & nephews, stretching from San Diego (Noah (Kate & Chloe) to Oregon, Texas, Nevada, New Jersey, Florida, & Puerto Rico; and by Sharlee's 3 children & their extended families.

Flowers:

Condolences of any kind are welcome.

If you wish, in lieu of flowers, please make donations in Paul's name to the National Alzheimer Association.

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Events

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Committal

 **Saturday**, January 18, 2020

 3:00 PM PT

 **Rancho Bernardo Community Presbyterian Church**

17010 Pomerado Road, San Diego CA 92128





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Victor posted:

I hereby offer my profound condolence on behalf of the Lladó-Díaz's family. Paul was always very friendly and respectful towards the entire Díaz Family, as well as to all of us, the Lladó. My father, Uncle Joe to you, was very supportive of Lilliam and considered Paul to be a wonderful person. When I was a child, I remember how impressed I was when I saw how tall he was, and how gentle he treated me. There was a time many years ago when I visited your family in Los Alamos, together with Aunt Esilda, and one of you rascals took me to see a gila monster in the nearby forest. Little did I know at the time how horrible and potentially dangerous they were, specially since I was phobic of lizards (ha, ha, ha, ha). The last time I saw him was maybe 10 years ago when he came to Puerto Rico, and my brother and me took him to dinner at a famous local seafood restaurant, Pescadería Atlántica. We enjoy that encounter very much, even though he kept on talking about his excellent golfing performance. To all of you, I share my deep sense of sorrow and empathy for such a profound loss. I lost my daughter Rosana a year ago, and even though these are deeply shattering experiences, believe me that these loved once don't really go away forever, for they always remain within your heart and you can get in touch with them whenever you feel lonesome. May you all be well and hopeful. Please don't hesitate to call if you ever come by the island. I embrace you all!!!! Víctor J. Lladó

January 17 at 10:12 AM



Victoria Koenig posted:

So so sorry not to be able to be at Uncle Paul's memorial! My memories go back to the 60's visiting the Dennies in Thousand Oaks, Hershey, PA when I was in college, then Solvang, CA! My girls thought their Uncle Paul was a magician when he opened the entrance gate by saying Abra Gadrabra! I will always remember Uncle Paul for his fun spirit, contagious laugh and always making me feel special! Sending all my love and hugs to my Dennies cousins! ❤️

January 16 at 5:41 PM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Dennies family.



January 16 at 2:05 AM



Paula Ptacek shared a photo to the **Memories Album** album.



January 14 at 1:29 PM



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Join us in honoring Paul by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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