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Paul M. Stafford, 97, of Dresden, Ohio passed away peacefully Thursday afternoon, January 22, 2015 at the Helen Purcell Home surrounded by his loving family.

Born June 23, 1917 in Dresden, he was a son of the late Charles O. and Ura (Meredith) Stafford and was a 1937 graduate of Dresden Jefferson High School. Paul was a United States Army World War II veteran serving in Normandy, Northern France, Belgium, Germany and North Africa. He received the Bronze Star and the French Jubilee of Liberty Medal. Mr. Stafford was a member of Dresden Madison Presbyterian Church, Dresden Lodge #102, F. & A. M., Dresden American Legion Post #399, and Dresden V. F. W. Post #11072.

Before his time in the Army, Paul worked with his Dad and Uncle at Stafford's Sinclair Station in Dresden. After the war, he and his brother operated the station for many years. He later worked at Line Material in Zanesville and he retired from Rockwell International of Heath, Ohio. After his retirement he enjoyed many years as a tour guide with The Longaberger Company, and many fun times with his grandchildren.

Paul is survived by a son Richard (Becky) Stafford; two daughters, Paula (Max) Steele and Donna (David) Hood, all of Dresden; five grandchildren, Brandon (Sarah) Steele, Kindra (Steven) Kauffman, Roxanne (Steve) Hutchison, Rachel (Jason) Hindel, and Kyle Hood (Brianna Coffey); four great grandchildren, Dakota Stafford, Makayla Hutchison, Anthony Steele and Kate Steele; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his loving wife, Mary K. Stafford whom he married March 14, 1948 and who died May 12, 1990 and two brothers, John Stafford and Ed Stafford.

Calling hours will be from 2pm to 5pm Sunday, January 25, 2015 at the Dresden Chapel of Vensil & Chute Funeral Home, 714 Main Street. Dresden Lodge #102 will



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conduct Masonic Services at 5pm Sunday, following calling hours.

Funeral services will be 11:00am Monday, January 26, 2015 at the funeral home with the Rev. Darla Revennaugh officiating. Burial will be in Dresden Cemetery. Dresden American Legion and Dresden VFW will conduct military honors at the cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Dresden Madison Presbyterian Church, Post Office Box 395, Dresden, Ohio 43821.



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CG

Cole Gerstner posted:

Such a rich life. I enjoyed years with Paul in the Greater Zanesville Singers

January 27 at 4:52 AM

JB

Jenny Buckley posted:

My dear friend Donna, The loss of a loving parent is one of the hardest things we will experience in this lifetime. I truly know your dad appreciated all the years of dedicated loving care you gave him. Time with an aging parent is one of the greatest gifts you can give and you gave it freely. As a caretaker for my mother with Dementia it is not always sunny but I truly cherish each moment, for we are all here in a blink of an eye. God Bless you and continue to watch over you. Jenny

January 26 at 7:27 AM

JN

Jeff Norris posted:

My deepest sympathy to Paul's family. He was always so friendly when I saw him. I knew Paul when we worked at Rockwell and how he enjoyed his time at Longaberger.

January 26 at 6:28 AM

RW

Rex And Mary Wisecarver posted:

Rich and Becky so sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers with you and the family.

January 26 at 4:14 AM

SS

Shannon (Curtis) Smith posted:

My thoughts are with your family... There are few men as decent and kind as Paul was. He was admired and respected by everyone who knew him. I am truly sorry for your loss.

January 25 at 4:05 PM

DF

Dale , Judy, Erica And Chad Ferrell posted:

Deepest Sympathy to all of Pauls family. Paul has been a great neighbor for 30 + years. Always had a great smile and a kind word.

January 25 at 12:10 PM



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DM

Daryl Miller posted:

Rich and Becky, my deepest sympathies to all the Stafford family.

January 25 at 5:32 AM

JV

Jack Veneman posted:

Dear Paula Please accept my deepest sympathy over the loss of your beloved father.

January 25 at 4:59 AM

MB

Marcy Mcdonald O'brien posted:

Dear Rich, Becky and family, I'm so sorry to read of your Dad and Grandpa. It's never easy to say goodbye and my heart is aching for your loss. Marcy & Michael

January 24 at 5:30 PM

GB

Gail Betts posted:

My deepest condolences to the family of Paul Stafford...he will always be remembered as one of Dresden's finest gentlemen...a true icon indeed!

January 24 at 2:24 PM



Anonymous posted:

Our deepest condolence to the entire family. Prayers for your comfort and aching hearts. The Robinsons

January 24 at 1:37 PM

JJ

Judy Kain Jones posted:

So sorry for your loss. I remember his smiles when he passed the collection plate at church so many years ago. You are in our prayers. The Kain Family

January 24 at 8:54 AM



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JW

Judy Phipps-Werker posted:

What a wonderfully kind man. May he walk with God.

January 24 at 8:09 AM

LR

Lisa Roof posted:

Richard, Paula and Donna, I am so sorry for the loss of your Father. Paul was a wonderful kind soul, he will be greatly missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you !

January 24 at 7:01 AM

PL

Paul Lacey posted:

Rich & the entire Stafford family, my condolences. A full life indeed. Your Dad was a fixture in Dresden. I can still see him in the station. Blessings. Paul

January 24 at 6:48 AM



Anonymous posted:

So sorry for the passing of Paul. He was a great man and will be missed by many. May happy memories carry all of you through this sorrowful time. With Deepest Sympathy Bernice Whyde Ruth Phillips

January 24 at 6:32 AM

SL

Steve & Chris Little posted:

Sorry for your loss. Paul was a good man.

January 24 at 5:12 AM

SW

Sheryl Starner Williams posted:

What a fine gentleman! So sorry for the family loss, but, oh the wonderful memories you have! Paul was a friend of my parents and always had a smile and a kind word whenever I saw him! God bless! Sheryl Starner Williams (Cold Spring, KY)

January 24 at 5:09 AM



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BM

Barbara Mayo posted:

I was fortunate enough to meet Paul. He was one of nicest and kindest man I have ever met. He liked everyone and was always so happy. He loved working at Longaberger and wanted to share the knowledge he had of the company. God Bless the family and remember how blessed you were to have him in your life.

January 24 at 4:45 AM

KH

Kathy Harper posted:

Richard, Paula, and Donna, So sorry for the loss of your Dad. I have wonderful memories of your parents when I lived in Dresden as a kid. Our moms were very good friends. Prayers to all the family. R.I.P. Paul

January 24 at 4:34 AM

KH

Kathy Harper posted:

Richard, Paula and Donna, So sorry for the loss of your Dad. I have lot's of wonderful memories of your parent's when I lived in Dresden as a kid. Our Mom were very good friend's. Prayers to all the family. R.I.P. Paul

January 24 at 4:30 AM



Anonymous posted:

The Stafford Family,May God bless you in your time of sorrow.You are in my thoughts and prayers.Sincerely, Elaine & Bob Carpenter

January 24 at 4:28 AM

BM

Barbara Meredith posted:

Donna so sorry to hear of your fathers passing. Praying for you and your family.

January 24 at 4:01 AM



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NM

Nora Melton posted:

Many fond memories of your Dad and Mom when we were all kids. They were sweet people. I know as I spent many years visiting your home. Think of him in life and not death. My thoughts are with your family. Take care old friends, Richie, Paula and Donna. Nora(Smythe) Melton

January 24 at 3:15 AM

BL

Bob & Wendy Little posted:

Sorry we cannot be there. May he rest in peace

January 24 at 1:59 AM

PL

Pj & Darla Longstreth posted:

May beautiful memories of a life lived to its fullest help you through this difficult time. He was a class act and kind. He will be remembered and missed by many.

January 24 at 1:27 AM

IM

Indy Miller posted:

Thoughts and prayers to all. Indy Miller and Mary Mumford

January 24 at 12:44 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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