



Paul R. Parent

June 8, 1930 - October 11, 2009

Paul Raymond Parent, Age 79, of Shelby Township passed away on Sunday, October 11, 2009 at Wm. Beaumont Hospital Hospice in Troy, Michigan. Paul was born June 8, 1930 in Detroit, MI the son of the late Raymond Parent and the late Margaret (Nee Flynn) Parent. Paul was a graduate of St. Joseph Catholic High School in Detroit and earned a Bachelors Degree from Wayne State University. He retired from Michigan Consolidated Gas Company as a Labor Relations Manager after more than 30 years of service. In retirement Paul enjoyed singing Big Band era music for nursing homes, retirement communities, weddings and other special occasions. He became a vital member of the entertainment troupes String of Pearls, OPC, and the Heart of the Hills Players. He earned multiple trophies and awards for his singing and acting. He loved comedies. He was witty, charming, and always had a joke to tell. He was also very fond of visiting Lake Linden, MI where he resided for a time during his youth and had roots there through his parents. He had a passion for baseball and served as a pitcher for the Torch Lake Baseball team in his early youth and later pitched for the Michigan Consolidate Gas Company's baseball team. He enjoyed watching his grandchildren play ball too. Paul was a talented writer and crossword puzzle enthusiast. He was a devout Catholic and faithful member of St. Kieran's Catholic Church in Shelby Township. Beloved husband of the late Grace (Nee Walker). Loving father of Paul of Clinton Twp., Debra (Daniel) Puggini of Clinton Twp., Cheryl (Walter) Kronner of Sterling Heights, Donna (William) Nash of Sterling Heights, Mark

(Sue) of Washington Twp., Patrick of Sterling Heights, Mary (John) Suessine of Rochester Hills, Kathleen (Montgomery) Drake of Overland Park, Kansas, and Paula (Edward) Bancroft of Manchester. He is survived by 20 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. Loving brother to Patricia (the late Charles) Aiken, Roy (Elaine) Pellerin, and Laurence (Connie) Schenk. Most beloved by Paul was his dog Pamme. He will be greatly missed by all.

Previous Events

Service

OCT **15**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Kieran Church
53600 Mound Rd.
Shelby Township, MI 48316

Tribute Wall



“ I was sorry to learn about the passing of Paul. I worked with Paul for many years at Mich Con as a Serviceman and later on in Management. Paul was well and respected all of us at Mich con. My condolences to his family. Bob Sirkle##imported-begin##Robert Sirkle##imported-end##

October 16, 2009 at 11:03 AM



“ My memories of Paul go back over 50 years, to when I was 5. My dad was a shop supervisor at Lynch Rd in the 1950-early '60's.

There were two guys amongst many that worked for him that I will never forget. Paul was one of them.

Wonderful man. I was always excited when he would stop by as a kid. His manner could light up a room.

I knew him later in life, I also did the MichCon thing for 7 yrs.

My deepest condolences to all of Paul's family and close friends.##imported-begin##Michael Finley##imported-end##

October 16, 2009 at 04:22 AM



“ My deepest sympathy to Paul's family & siblings.

I used to live down the street from Paul & Leroy and their family on Corbette Street in Detroit until we moved to California in 1946 when I was 9 years old. I remember when I was seven (Paul was about 14) and I was riding my bike. I wasn't watching where I was going and ran into a telephone pole and knocked myself dizzy. Paul came down the street pushing a wheelbarrow because he was doing some work for a neighbor. He stopped and picked me up, put me in the wheelbarrow & my bike across the handles & gave me a ride home to my mother. I'll never forget that. We moved back to Detroit after a year. In 1957, I started working at Michcon where I ran into Paul (not literally). Whenever I saw him, I reminded him how he "saved my life." He always shook his head and laughed.

Paul came to sing at one of our retiree meetings a few years ago. I didn't realize how talented and good he was.

I will keep Paul in my prayers##imported-begin##Ron Linsley##imported-end##

October 15, 2009 at 03:07 PM



“ To all of the family,

Paul and I worked together in plays at the old O.P.C. Moreover, we set-up and ran the sound for the players before the move of H.O.H. Players to Warren.

I loved and respected him and enjoyed our relationship. He is a loss to us all, but apparently it was his time to have peace.##imported-begin##Ray Greenman##imported-end##

October 15, 2009 at 02:35 PM



“ *What a wonderful performer and nice guy. We enjoyed his company during his performances at OPC. He made so many people happy with his outstanding singing voice.##imported-begin##Bob & Marty Peters##imported-end##*

October 14, 2009 at 04:21 PM



“ *Paul was our dear friend and my (Terri's) former partner in traveling to schools back in the 80's. I visited him early spring and had no idea he was ill again. Feeling guilty about not being in contact since then. Please, someone email me or call me - I need to know what happened to my dear friend. Phone: 407-671-6622 home; 407-247-5701 cell.
God bless each of you - he and you are in our prayers. If possible, may we receive 2 prayer cards to keep in our bibles? address: 849 Jamestown Drive, Winter Park, FL 32792?##imported-begin##Steve and Terri Surbrook##imported-end##*

October 13, 2009 at 07:30 PM



“ *May you always be singing with the angels and hold a happy tune in your heart....we will miss you and forever listen to your music and remember it was a joy to have come to meet you and your family
Thankyou for sharing your Dad with Me....Michelle##imported-begin##Michelle A. Rowe##imported-end##*

October 13, 2009 at 04:54 PM



“ *In all the years I have known Paul I can only believe that he was a musical messenger from above. He will be missed by many.##imported-begin##Mary Jane Baird##imported-end##*

October 13, 2009 at 02:33 PM



“ We love you Dad. You are at peace now and probably singing tunes for the angels in heaven!###imported-begin##Bill & Donna Nash & Family###imported-end##

October 13, 2009 at 12:05 PM



“ Debbie and family ,

*my thoughts and prayers are with you
Losing our parents is a part of our life we wish we did not have to endure but to watch and feel their pain is not what they want either always a great loss but in your heart forever
Love to you and your famliy
Geri###imported-begin##geri hofmann###imported-end##*

October 13, 2009 at 10:49 AM



“ I want to express my sympathy and prayer to the family of Paul Parent. I knew him when he was a child in Detroit and got re-acquainted with his sister, Pat, at the Dennis Pellerin home in August, 2009. Armand Pellerin, my nephew, always kept me informed of Paul and Pat and we often visited Margaret, their mother, when I was in Michigan for a visit.
*Sister Liberata Pellerin
Sister of St. Joseph
Concordia, Kansas 66901###imported-begin##Sister Liberata Pellerin###imported-end##*

October 13, 2009 at 10:06 AM



“ Dear Mark and Sue,
I am sorry to read about the loss of your father. I remember his wonderful voice when he sang at your mother's funderal, Sue. What an accomplished life he led. Take comfort in knowing that he leaves behind a beautiful legacy in his family.##imported-begin##Josephine Walker##imported-end##

October 13, 2009 at 07:20 AM



“ A long and valiant struggle has come to an end, and Paul the man is at peace. He was a fine man and a fine friend, a generous and thoughtful man, who's humor was never absent. He was a man of intelligence, talent and integrity, and I grew to love and respect him for who he was.##imported-begin##Bill Fry##imported-end##

October 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ We'll love you always & forever, Grandpa! Now you can sing & play ball with the great ones! May God rest your soul. 'Til we meet again...##imported-begin##Kelly, Aaron, Christopher, & AJ##imported-end##

October 12, 2009 at 10:17 PM



“ Dear Cheryl, Wally, Shawn & Kimberly -
We were so sorry to hear about your loss. We want you to know that all of you have been and will continue to be in our daily prayers.
Love,
Jerry & Sallyjo Belanger##imported-begin##Sallyjo & Jerry Belanger##imported-end##

October 12, 2009 at 07:17 PM



“ I'm so sorry for your loss, your in our prayers. If you need anything please don't hesitate to call.

Love

Susan Webb###imported-begin##Susan Webb###imported-end##

October 12, 2009 at 05:15 PM



“ Cheryl and family I am so sorry for your loss. I know it is hard to go through. Just wanted you to know you are in my thoughts and prayers. I remember many stories about your father you use to tell me, I am sure he will be greatly missed.

Talk to you soon

Donna Ulman###imported-begin##Donna Ulman###imported-end##

October 12, 2009 at 05:00 PM