



## Paul J. Gaspar

October 11, 1951 - December 26, 2021

Paul J. Gaspar, 70, passed away on Sunday, December 26, 2021, at Amita St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee.

He was born on October 11, 1951 in Chicago, IL, the son of Michael and Paula Gaspar. On September 14, 1974, he married Sharon Oswald in Chicago Ridge, IL.

Paul is survived by his wife, Sharon Gaspar; his son, Jason Gaspar; his daughter, Corinne (Matt) Zagorski; his sisters, Rose Ann (Kermit) Kelly and Maria (Jerry) Florence; his brother, Michael (Mary) Gaspar; his 4 grandchildren, Louie, James, Jacob, and Joey; his "adopted" daughter, Michelle (Patrick) Penna and their son Pat, Jr; and several nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his mother and father.

Paul retired as an HVAC Pipefitter Local 597 and during the Vietnam war he was an accounting specialist for the Army. He was Catholic and volunteered his time at St. Bernards Catholic Church in Homer, IL, as a religious education teacher, eucharistic minister, and helped with marriage preparations just to name a few. He loved fishing, woodworking, mushroom hunting, wine making, and was a general fixer of all things. He was extremely devoted to his garden,

his farm stand, and his customers.

A Visitation will be held on Monday, January 3, 2022, at Brown-Jensen Funeral Home on 21 N Main St, Manteno, IL, from 9am to 1pm followed by a private service at 1pm.

Interment service will be private.

CDC social distancing guidelines and masks will be required.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 3. 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Brown-Jensen Funeral Home  
21 N Main St  
Manteno, IL 60950

## Service

JAN 3. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Manteno, IL 60950

# Tribute Wall



“ *Paul J. Gaspar*

October 06, 2023 at 01:14 PM



“ *Sharon Gaspar sent a virtual gift in memory of Paul J. Gaspar*



**Sharon gaspar** - January 03, 2022 at 09:59 AM



“ *I was so sorry to hear of Pauli's passing. I remember him as being such a great guy and so much fun. We had a great time as kids and he will never be forgotten. My deepest sympathy to a wonderful family that I will always remember*

*Mary Jean Piccolin Moran*

**Mary Jean Piccolin Moran** - January 01, 2022 at 08:27 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Paul J. Gaspar.*



December 31, 2021 at 04:40 PM

FR

“ Jay, Mrs. Gaspar, and Family:  
Very sorry to hear the news Mr. Gaspar has passed. We've lost contact years ago, but I still think about all the good memories we all had over the years--especially the ones spent out on the football field. Brings a smile to my face remembering Mr. Gaspar holding a tackling pad with a Winston dangling saying, "HIT THE PAD, YOU'RE NOT GOING TO HURT ME!"  
Mr. Gaspar was a really good guy, and the Gaspar family have been great friends to my family and I growing up. RIP Mr. Gasman.  
Miss you guys,  
Frankie Russo

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**Frankie Russo** - December 31, 2021 at 04:30 PM

AL

“ My heart felt condolence.... I spent a lot of time in my younger years at the Gaspar house... my heart aches for the family. Rest in peace Paulie... your in good company up there❤️

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**Amy Marcotte LaJoie** - December 31, 2021 at 12:51 PM



“ "Memory" Keepsake Memory Box was purchased for the family of Paul J. Gaspar.



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December 31, 2021 at 12:32 PM

TF

“ My sincerest condolences and deepest sympathies for your family's loss. Keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers. Tammy Urubek Fontaine

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**Tammy Fontaine** - December 31, 2021 at 11:23 AM

DO

“ *May all the great memories of Paul comfort you. My Deepest, deepest condolences. Doris Ganz*

Doris - December 31, 2021 at 10:27 AM

JM

“ *Sharon, Corine & Jason  
I want to express my condolences, I could go on forever about Paul, we worked side by side for many years, I owe a lot of success to Paul when I went off on my own he was only a phone call away to lend me a hand or help me solve a problem that's who he was. In recent years we didn't see each other that often but when we did or even just spoke on the phone the conversation was just like it was so many years ago back at RMC. Rest easy my friend and thanks for all your help over the years. Jim Murtaugh*

Jim Murtaugh - December 30, 2021 at 06:17 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Paul J. Gaspar.*



December 30, 2021 at 04:18 PM



“ *You were my first friend, you were my first best friend. You are my big brother, my partner in crime. I expected to have at least 15 more years with you teasing me, telling me corny jokes, and teaching me the finer points of gardening. I guess I can forgive you for leaving me, as long as you promise to watch over my tomatoes. I love and miss you more than words can say.*

Rose Ann - December 30, 2021 at 11:01 AM

CT

“ We were sad to hear of Paul’s passing. Sending our thoughts and prayers to all members of the Gaspar family.  
With our deepest sympathy,  
Bob & Carol (Florence) Tumberger

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**Carol Tumberger** - December 30, 2021 at 10:40 AM

MM

“ MR MRS sent a virtual gift in memory of Paul J. Gaspar



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**MR MRS** - December 30, 2021 at 07:37 AM

MG

“ Uncle Paul would greet me at family parties with a crushing vice-grip handshake and smile as I winced in pain; I loved it! I so enjoyed my conversations with Uncle Paul. At the core, I found him to be a sweetheart. He had a fantastic booming laugh that would fill the room. I’m saddened to realize that I’ll never have another conversation with him.

*Rest In Peace, Uncle Paul*

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**Matthew Gaspar** - December 29, 2021 at 06:58 PM

MP

“ Cousins by married is how me met..  
integrated into the family as a friend. But I  
ended up with a father figure 100 % for 20  
years.He always treated me like one of his  
own. Was always a call away. Paul's was the  
most smartest, loving, caring go get em kind of man I've ever met.  
The respect and love I have for this man is infinity. I love you my  
heart is broken. Any one who meets Paul Is drawn to him. He will be  
missed by so many. Prayers for all who loved and knew our guy  
paul.  
I love you infinity.  
XoxoxoX till we meet again .XoxoxoxoX



Michelle penna - December 29, 2021 at 04:55 PM

JM

Sharon, Corine & Jason  
I want to express my condolences, I could go on forever about Paul,  
we worked side by side for many years, I owe a lot of my success to  
Paul, when I went off on my own he was only a phone call away to lend  
me a hand or help me solve a problem, in recent years we didn't see  
each other that often but when we did or even just spoke on the phone  
the conversation was just like it was so many years ago back at RMC,  
Rest easy my friend thanks for all your help over the years. Jim  
Murtaugh

Jim murtaugh - December 30, 2021 at 05:11 PM

MF

If prayers alone could have saved you, you would still be here. Our  
Lord had different plans for you, your job on earth was done. Thank  
you for being such an amazing brother who loved unconditionally. You  
took a piece of my heart when you left so please save it for when we  
meet again. Love you Paulie💔💔💔

Maria Florence - December 30, 2021 at 07:45 PM

CY

*Paul and Sharon were the ones that were here for me after my husband passed. Paul did emergency repairs for me, tilled my garden, got my emergency generator running my house during outages. The list goes on. He and Sharon fed me when I wasn't eating. They held me when I cried and felt like I was falling apart. These things can never be repayed in full but I will do my very best to be there for Sharon and her family in whatever ways I can. Paul was a good man and I love this family so much!*

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**Cynthia Yakima** - December 31, 2021 at 12:26 PM

KA

*Sharon, Corrine, and Jason  
We are so very sorry for your loss. Although we haven't been in touch lately, we pass by your old house and think of you often. Please accept our deepest sympathy.  
Karen & Tom Adamczyk*

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**Karen Adamczyk** - December 31, 2021 at 07:41 PM

GS

*Our deepest sympathies to the entire Gaspar family. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you in your time of grief. May God bless all of you.  
George and Mary Skoczelas*

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**George Skoczelas** - January 01, 2022 at 06:45 PM