



Paul F. Everett

SHERMAN, CT - Paul F. Everett, a Korean War veteran and former Executive Director of the Pittsburgh Experiment, died June 16th at his home in Sherman, CT. He was 81. The cause of death was melanoma. He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Margaret, daughter Jennifer and her husband Michael Shields, son Christopher and his wife Tara, and 4 grandchildren.

Paul was born in Yonkers, NY on January 25, 1929, he was the son of Earl and Ruth (Appenheimer) Everett. Paul graduated from Syracuse University and began his career as a buyer at Macy's New York. Through a fellow buyer at Macys, he had a life-changing spiritual experience that led him to Princeton Theological Seminary and ordination as a Presbyterian minister. Upon graduation, he became Minister of Evangelism of the Wayne (PA) Presbyterian Church and later served as Associate Director, and then Executive Director of the Pittsburgh Experiment (a ministry to the business and working community of that city) from 1967-1995.

In Pittsburgh, Paul moderated a weekly radio program on KDKA (a CBS affiliate) from 1967-1980, was a national conference and small group leader, led workshops for clergy and spouses, was president of the Western PA Alumni Association of Princeton Seminary, worked with recovering people in 12STEP programs, and trained leaders in small group ministry. He was an avid member of the Sons of the American Revolution. After retiring to Sherman, CT in 1999, he became President of his local SAR chapter and Chaplain of CT State SAR. He became passionate about the Revolutionary War, participating in re-enactments, lecturing on 18th Century American History and speaking to school children about patriotism and the freedoms we enjoy because of our forefathers. As a trustee of the Historical Society of Quaker Hill and Pawling, Paul served as chairperson of the two day 225th Anniversary Celebration of George Washington headquartered in Pawling, NY. He also went on four weeklong mission trips with his church to help the people of New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina. In 2005 he wrote *The Prisoner*, a biography of a man who served time in prison for murder before experiencing a spiritual transformation that led to his release and new life as a Franciscan brother. Subsequently, Paul conducted retreats in prisons based on the book.

Paul loved people and had the ability to make everyone he met feel special. He met people where they were and walked with them through the challenges of their lives. With a great sense of humor and a vulnerability about his own life, he was a loyal friend who gave non-judgmental love to everyone he met.

Visitation will be Monday, June 21st from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Quaker Hill Country Club, 1013 Old Quaker Hill Road, Pawling, NY. A Memorial service will be held Tuesday, June 22nd at 11 a.m. at Christ Church on Quaker Hill, 17 Church Road, Pawling, NY. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Pittsburgh Experiment, 325 Oliver Ave, 3rd Floor, Pittsburgh, PA 15222-2403 or the American Cancer Society, Vassar Brothers Medical Center, 45 Reade Place, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Arrangements are under the direction of the Horn & Thomes, Inc. Funeral Home, 83 East Main Street, Pawling, NY.