

Obituary

Paul G. Meyer

Paul George Meyer passed away on March 16, 2024, after a brief illness. He was the son of George H. and Ruth B. Meyer of Gloversville, NY. He was the brother of William H. Meyer of Mayfield / Gloversville, NY, and Lois Meyer of Jamestown, NY.

Paul will be remembered for his ready smile and gentle nature. He cherished the love of his wife of 61 years, Carolyn Marler Meyer. He will be remembered by his strong marriage, his love of family, and the fellowship of many friends, many of which were life-long.

He was born in Gloversville, NY, on March 2, 1935, and he graduated with the Gloversville High School Class of 1953. Paul was active in many extracurricular activities including Student Council and track and field. He especially loved playing basketball with the Gloversville High team of 1951 – 52, and he served as captain of the team in 1953. He participated in the YMCA and was a camper and counselor for 10 years at Camp Agaming in Mt. Pleasant, NY.

Paul continued on to the University of Maine, obtaining a B. S. degree in Civil Engineering and a commission in the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, 20th Engineer Battalion, for two years.

Upon graduation, Paul joined the Ingersoll-Rand Co. in the construction and mining division at the corporate headquarters in New York, NY. He enjoyed a forty-year career with I-R in engineering, sales, marketing, and upper management. Paul had extensive opportunities for international travel which included eight years in Australia. He returned to the U. S. as vice president and regional manager of the equipment sales group at Ingersoll-Rand based in Houston. Houston became home for Paul and Carolyn for more than 37 years, but they would escape every summer to cherish the beauties of Montana for fly fishing, the arts scene, and fellowship with good friends made there.

Paul served on the Advisory Board of CanCare (cancer support) and on the Board of SEARCH (homeless support). He was a regular volunteer for Christian Community Service Center (CCSC). Paul and Carolyn were recognized by CCSC in the “All Saints Society” for their gifts of support for over 35 years. They were members of St. Luke’s United Methodist Church for their entire lives in Houston and were awarded the “Distinguished Life Award” by the Church in 2017.

As they had no biological children they volunteered as cultural exchange parents for international students at both Rice University and the University of Houston. They continued to enjoy their relationships with their students after graduation and into adulthood. The seven students they parented have now expanded with five “grandchildren.” All of these students, spouses, and children are considered family.

A memorial service celebrating Paul’s life will be held in the sanctuary of St. Luke’s United Methodist Church at 11:00 on Tuesday, April 2, with the Rev. Dr. Tom Pace officiating.