## PAUL VERNON SCOPEL



Paul Vernon Scopel, 82, of Bethel Park, peacefully passed away at home on Friday. September 29, 2023. He is survived by his wife of 57 Kathleen (Homitz) vears Scopel: his Michael son. Scopel of Pittsburgh: daughter. Lee Cinna (Adam) Mt. Lebanon: grandsons, Ryder and Keller Peet of Mt. Lebanon.

Paul is also survived by a brother, Larry Scopel of Mt. Lebanon; a sister, Lynn

Robinson (Jeff) of Roseville, CA; a nephew, Tyler Robinson (Katie) of Anchorage, AK; and many friends and extended family members.

He is predeceased by his parents, Vernon Scopel and Ethel (Balogh) Scopel of Joffre, PA; and a brother, Charles Scopel of

Weirton, WV.

Paul spent most of his childhood playing sandlot baseball and hunting in the woods surrounding the small village of Joffre, PA, in Washington County, located about three miles east of the borough of Burgettstown, PA. He graduated from Union High School in Burgettstown in 1959 and went on to attend Waynesburg College, studying business and earning a Bachelor's degree in 1964. He played baseball at Waynesburg College as well, earning an MVP award, and was a member of Delta Sigma Phi fraternity. After college, he wed his longtime sweetheart Kathie Homitz in a ceremony at Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Burgettstown on August 13, 1966.

The couple soon relocated to the South Hills, finally settling in Bethel Park. Most of Paul's career was spent working in finance at Consol Energy. An avid fan of all Pittsburgh sports teams, Paul continued to play sports throughout his adulthood including bowling, softball, racquetball, and golf. He devoted countless hours to coaching both his son and daughter in baseball through the Bethel Park Baseball Association.

Paul enjoyed a long retirement golfing on the links of Myrtle Beach, SC, partying through happy hour and inappropriately joking with his longtime friends and fraternity

brothers.

Family and friends are invited to visit and reminisce on Saturday, October 7, 2023, from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM with a short service to follow at 12:00 PM, **PAUL HENNEY FUNERAL HOME**, 5570 Library Road, Bethel Park, PA 15102.

A luncheon will immediately follow at Bella's on Fort

Couch, 91 Fort Couch Rd., Pittsburgh, PA 15241.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you send donations to Big Brothers Big Sisters of Pittsburgh.

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