



Paul Thomas Saunders

September 9, 1941 - May 3, 2023

Paul Thomas Saunders, age 81, husband of Judy, passed from this earthly life on Wednesday, May 3, 2023, and into the arms of his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in Heaven. Funeral Services will be held Saturday, May 13, at 1:00 p.m. at LeCompte Johnson Taylor Funeral Home. Visitation will begin at 10:30 a.m. until service time.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Judy (Sutherland) Saunders; his daughter, Rhonda Moberly and her husband, Gene, of Paris, KY; his daughter, Donna McGlaun and her husband Greg of Springfield, OH; his sister Elizabeth Sullivan of Frankfort, KY; his grandchildren, Kaylin Flannery and her husband Wade, Cory Moberly and his wife Beth, Jordan Moberly and his wife Aly, Jonah McGlaun, Hallie Peterson and her husband Malik, Hannah McGlaun, and Emma McGlaun; his great grandchildren, Branson Flannery, Brooklynne Flannery, and Ryder Moberly.

Paul was born on September 9, 1941 at home in Shelby County, KY and was saved at the age of 12 at Pigeon Fork Baptist Church. He was baptized in the creek behind the Crawford's home. He raised his family at Pigeon Fork Baptist church where he became a deacon.

Paul didn't go to college instead he built a career by hard work. He started working for Southern Supply and helped deliver appliances. He then learned

he could make more money becoming a tire changer. He learned quickly. Firestone offered him a job changing the big earthmoving tires. Due to appendicitis the doctor required him to be on light duty, so Paul was moved into a retail store to assist the service manager. Paul was a very quiet man. He decided to build his confidence by taking Dale Carnegie courses and listening to Zig Zigler. A short three months later he became the service manager. He quickly became District Retail Manager, top salesman for Firestone of the United States, held a position on the National Tire Dealers & Retreaders Association and ultimately a part owner of 5 stores located in Danville, Frankfort and Lexington. His career allowed him many business trips that offered an opportunity to see much of the world. Paul retired from Firestone in 1994 and continued dabbling in real estate. Throughout the years he helped others to achieve their business dreams as well. He was the president of the local Lion's Club Chapter in Lexington and was commissioned as a Kentucky Colonel in 1976.

Paul moved his family to Nicholasville the summer of 1977. The family became members at Porter Memorial Baptist Church. He taught 6th grade boys, became a deacon and was the Sunday School Director for many years. If the doors were open, Paul was there. He had a heart to share the gospel. He participated in visitation at the church every week. Throughout life he would hold fast to sharing the gospel either in words or in actions. He never allowed his businesses to be open on Sundays in order for people to attend church with their families. He participated in several mission trips to Mexico and Prague.

In his spare time Paul enjoyed camping, water skiing (of which he would barefoot ski and he would teach others to ski by having them stand in front of him on his skis). He loved playing golf, listening to Southern Gospel Quartet Music, riding motorcycles, beating his wife in canasta and above all time with his family. The annual tradition of his reading the Christmas story will be

missed this year.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Porter Memorial Baptist Church,
4300 Nicholasville Rd, Lexington, KY 40515"

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 13. 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

LeCompte-Johnson-Taylor Funeral Home
1725 Louisville Rd.
Frankfort, KY 40601
(502) 223-5858
ljtfuneralhome@gmail.com
<https://ljtfuneralhome.com/>

Funeral Service

MAY 13. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Paul Thomas Saunders.* ”



May 30, 2023 at 07:01 PM

SM

“ So saddened to hear of Paul’s passing. We made so many memories together from working with our youth at PF (remember that trip to Pine Mtn. State Park?) to making hospital gowns for pediatric victims of the Vietnam War; snow rides in winter; Sunday night dinners watching the Smothers Brothers or Sonny and Cher; our camping trips to the lake in Tenn. and, of course the fated trip to camp at Green River where we had to hold the tent up from the inside as we were caught in a serious storm; your trip to visit us in Israel with the girls (you all were the only friends to come see us!); our trip to Prague and other side trips we took while in Europe; your help with decorations for Robin’s wedding; the many times we enjoyed fellowship in your home with the Jennings and the Greens. You, Judy taught me two important things: how to fry an egg over medium (I think of you every time I fry eggs!) and how to get peanut butter out of a kid’s hair! I promise to keep you in my prayers as you journey through this difficult time. Paul was such a good, kind soul. I am sure he, Billy Carl and Don are having a grand reunion and so shall we all in His time. Mark and I hope to make it to the visitation tomorrow though we won’t be able to stay for the service. I really regret that. I appreciated so much seeing you and the girls present at Don’s service. For now, rely on divine comfort to fill the void of Paul’s passing.

Suzy Mantooth - May 12, 2023 at 10:35 PM

JJ

So great reading those precious memories, Suzy. Some of our most cherished memories were during those days while Don was our pastor at Pigeon Fork. So sorry about Don’s passing. I have no idea how we didn’t know anything about it. A difficult journey for both of you. So thankful for Mark and Robin and families. I know they are a wonderful blessing to you. Our, love and prayers.
Joyce Jennings

Joyce Jennings - May 21, 2023 at 03:38 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paul Thomas Saunders.



May 10, 2023 at 05:45 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Paul Thomas Saunders.



May 09, 2023 at 09:16 PM



“ Judy and Paul, our life long friends! Distance and busy lifestyles have separated us physically during the last several years but love has kept us connected in thoughts and prayers. Now, so saddened by Paul's passing, but thankful this is only temporary. Both are promised an eternal dwelling place, the splendor of which we cannot imagine. All of us, through our faith in Jesus Christ, can look forward to a great day of reunion! Until then, our deepest love and sympathy to you Judy and family. (Having lost Bill less than two months ago, I look forward to our great day coming)!

Joyce Jennings - May 09, 2023 at 02:28 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Paul Thomas Saunders.*



May 09, 2023 at 10:15 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Paul Thomas Saunders.*



May 08, 2023 at 11:14 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paul Thomas Saunders.*



May 08, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *My Soul Lives On Blanket was purchased for the family of Paul Thomas Saunders.*



May 08, 2023 at 12:58 PM

BJ

“ Dear Judy and family,
Peggy and I send our prayers for all. We wish we could attend the service, however our grandson Justin Cornett will graduate from Dental School at University of Louisville on the 13th. We both have fond memories of Paul. Several times we were on the same visitation team at Porter. Paul and Judy are great friends! He gave my son his first job changing tires and other stuff! Thank You Paul Saunders!

Bob and Peggy Justus
Numbers 6:24-26

Bob-Peggy Justus - May 08, 2023 at 11:48 AM