



## Paul N. Weaver Jr.

August 30, 1927 - May 23, 2014

Paul N. Weaver, Jr.

Paul N. Weaver, Jr., age 86, was united with his heavenly Father on May 23, 2014. Paul was born in Oklahoma City on August 30, 1927 to Paul and Adis Weaver. He overcame significant circumstantial challenges to complete his Bachelor's Degree in Forestry at Colorado State University. He worked for the U.S. Forest Service in New Mexico, Arizona, and Colorado for 34 years, retiring in 1983. He loved and told many stories about the work he did in the field for the Forest Service: manning look-out towers, spotting fires, putting out just-started fires (sometimes by himself), designing and building trails and roads, and managing forest resources. Deeply inspired by the sacrifice of life that older high school football teammates had made, Paul enlisted in the U.S. Navy in WW II and served in Saipan in the Pacific Theatre. He maintained a huge heart for veterans and talked often about their sacrifices being the basis for the freedom we enjoy in this country. Paul was a long-time member of First United Methodist Church and of the Two-Som Sunday School class. He often shared about how he talked with God daily and depended upon God to get him through his trials. Paul is survived by his wife of 65 years, Shirley Weaver, to whom he was fiercely devoted. He constantly affirmed the strength of her character and how they overcame life's challenges together. Paul is also survived by his daughters, Cathy McCorkle (Sherman), Karen Goit (Carl), and Cheryl Goehring (Marty); his son Mark Weaver (Teresa); his daughter-in-law

Susann Weaver; and by 17 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his son, Paul Weaver III on May 14, 2014. Paul taught his family a love of learning, loyalty to country, deep gratitude for the sacrifices made for this country, an appreciation of nature, perseverance in adversity, and the crucial importance of making a contribution by doing your part. In lieu of flowers, and in honor of Paul's heart for veterans and their sacrifice, donations may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758517, Topeka, KS 66675. A graveside service will be conducted at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 28, at Fairview Memorial Park, 700 Yale Blvd. S.E.

# Cemetery Details

**Fairview Memorial Park Cemetery**

# Tribute Wall

BE

“ My condolences on the passing of Paul III and Paul Jr. What a terribly difficult time this must be for your family!  
Cathy, when we were students at Sandia, I was at your house often. Your parents were so kind, so genuine and welcoming. I had never known someone who worked in the Forest Service, and was intrigued that your dad actually did that for a living. I remember you telling me stories about you, as an infant, crawling around in the look-out tower and can still see in my mind's eye the picture I saw of you doing that. To this day, every time I see a look-out, I think of your dad...  
He was just so nice!  
Barbara Edwards Exley

---

**Barbara Edwards Exley** - June 03, 2014 at 07:40 PM

RM

“ I recall sharing many conversations with him when I was a young man (and a neighbor) and remember fondly of the mutual respect we felt. I am saddened to hear that he has passed from this life and his loved ones still here no longer have his physical presence to share their lives with.

---

**Ron McCurley** - May 27, 2014 at 10:03 PM

NJ

“ Please accept my condolences at the loss your family, all of us, and indeed, the entire world has suffered at the passing of this fine man. The woods and the wild places of this Earth will be a bit darker now, in the same measure that Eternity must surely be that much more beautiful. Paul was the leading man in a truly great love story, one that touched, impressed, and humbled all who witnessed it, including myself. We should all be so fortunate. Paul knew that I wanted to make this world a better place, and when I graduated from college, he challenged me to do that very thing. Perhaps one day he will tell me if I succeeded. I deeply regret that my schedule keeps me away from the memorial. I shall be happy to make a donation to an organization that I am already a member of (The Wounded Warrior Project) and shall continue my work with Texas Lawyers for Texas Veterans in humble remembrance of Paul. If it is true that what we do in this life echoes in Eternity, then I suspect that Eternity shall hear from Paul for a great many ages to come.

*Most sincerely and respectfully submitted*

*N J Gaunt, Esq.  
and Miles Liam too*

---

nj - May 27, 2014 at 03:09 PM

NJ

*Wishing you calm winds and a following sea, Paul.*

---

nj - May 27, 2014 at 04:54 PM

RM

“ *Paul Weaver family -- Paul was one of the Forest Service Employees that I idolized. He was a reliable source of calm reason that helped me cover my impetuous nature. His support and advice for me when I located the Mt. Baldy Trails (Apache NF) could not have been exceeded. As young, and somewhat immature, engineer on the Sitgreaves NF, I re-established the centerline on the Wallace road to ready it for reconstruction. Paul was the crew chief that made the original survey in previous years. I never found a error in his survey. This is a testament to his passion for doing quality work.*

*In recent years, I have thought about Paul many times and am saddened by his passing. I feel, however, that we can all celebrate his life as one of the finest persons to inhabit this planet.*

*Bob McDonald*

---

**Robert (Bob) McDonald** - May 27, 2014 at 02:00 PM

JA

“ *Dear Shirley and family,*

*Thank you so much for sharing this wonderful man with us. Paul was such a great friend and mentor for me throughout my Forest Service career and I will always remember his smiling face and happy voice. I never had a conversation with Paul when I didn't come away feeling better. He was truly a role model for me and I will miss him but always be glad that I knew him.*

*With love and sincere condolences,*

*John Austin*

*Baker City OR (and Carson/Cibola NFs)*

---

**John Austin** - May 27, 2014 at 11:16 AM

NF

“ I recall several trail rides in NM and AZ with Paul and bull sessions during my time in R3. He was a gentleman with a great sense of humor ,dedicated employee and family man. I never heard a bad word from him about anyone. Us native New Mexicans did not hold it against him for his Okie roots, Neal Flowers

---

**Neal Flowers** - May 27, 2014 at 10:29 AM

CB

“ I have always loved you, Paul Weaver, devoted husband of a dearest friend , Shirley. He was a devoted father to his family,to God, and to our country. Paul had a unique sense of humor which I enjoyed~~if I you weren't listeningl you would miss a gem. Love you< Paul, and we'll see you later, Misssy Blaine (Van) Lpve your family

---

**Charlie Blaine** - May 26, 2014 at 08:07 PM

CB

“ Paul, we had a lot of memories to share. We will miss you on this earth, but know you are now in a better place. Charlie Blaine

---

**Charlie Blaine** - May 26, 2014 at 07:16 PM

JC

“ Dear Weaver family, our heart aches at the loss of your loved ones..both father and son..We are keeping you all in our prayers, Jeff and Laurie Canellas

---

**Jeff and Laurie Canellas** - May 26, 2014 at 05:29 PM

CG

“ *My beloved surrogate father - how I will miss you! I was thinking of you this morning when I was away from the house and had fully intended to call you today. Judy Reynolds, another Forest Service friend, called a few minutes ago and told me that she'd seen your obituary. When we talked a few weeks ago, I told you how you and Shirley served as a model of marriage for Bill and me. I enjoyed so much the time we were able to spend with you over the years and of course, the time I spent as your secretary from 1967-1971 at the Forest Service R3 Dept. of Engineering. Bill and I are forever grateful to you and Shirley for providing a reference for us when we were in the process of adopting our son Nicholas Joseph Gaunt. I know that he thought very highly of you also and will be nearly as devastated as I am. I believe that you are now reunited with your beloved mother and father and your dear son Paul (just learned of that when looking up your obit.) and that your suffering on this earth is over. Those of us who loved you now have another advocate up in heaven for us.*

*My deeply heartfelt condolences to your beloved family, especially your sweet Shirley.*

*Much love from your brunette daughter,  
Connie Gaunt*

---

**Connie Gaunt** - May 26, 2014 at 04:18 PM



“ *The first time I met Paul Weaver (DAD) was when my family had ventured up to the Cuba, New Mexico Ranger Station, to obtain a Christmas Tree Permit. I had to have been ?? maybe 10 or twelve at the time and remembered thinking that this man had to have the best job in the universe! And through the years, growing up at First United Methodist Church in Albuquerque, with the whole Weaver family was just the grandest blessing a kid could get. Joyce and I will always remember Paul with warm smiles for all the wonderful moments we were allowed to share in his company! Blue Skies and Gentle Winds, Gentle Spirit Paul!*

---

**Richard Cook** - May 26, 2014 at 11:51 AM



“ *To the Weaver family, Please accept my deepest sympathies.*



---

**Linda McCurley-Stafford** - May 25, 2014 at 08:26 PM



“ *On behalf of the French Family of Companies, we express our deepest condolences.*

---

**Trinity Montoya** - May 24, 2014 at 01:50 PM