



## Paul Thomas Moore

November 11, 1937 - December 23, 2016

Paul Thomas Moore, 79 of New Castle, passed away suddenly and peacefully at his Virginia Mineral Springs home on December 23, 2016 with his beloved wife, the former Anna Lee Bell of 59 years, by his side. Born on November 11, 1937 in Roanoke County, the son of the late Carlton K. Moore and Mary Cauley Moore. The family moved to Craig County in 1947.

In addition to his wife Anna, Paul is survived by 2 sons, Vance Bartley Moore, wife Martha and Vincent Doyle Moore, wife Vickie; 2 grandchildren Brandon Moore and Nathaniel "Chad" Carper, wife Elaina; 1 great-grandson Ian Moore; sisters Helen Moore Sublett, Mary Rosa Abbott, husband Earl; brother Howard K. Moore, wife Sandra; brother-in-law Eddie Bell, wife Nora; sister-in-law Betty Bell; numerous nieces and nephews.

Paul was preceded in death by granddaughter Melissa Moore; brothers Claude E., Samuel D., William C., Robert L., John N. Moore; brothers-in-law Fred Sublett, John S. Bell, and Jerry W. Bell.

After High School, Paul enlisted in the United States Air Force and retired in 1975 with over 20 years active service. He spent nearly half of his time in overseas assignment with the last being Da Nang, Vietnam. In recognition of his service, he received the Meritorious Service Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, Presidential Unit Citation,

Vietnam Service Medal with 2 Bronze Stars, Vietnam Campaign Medal and National Defense Service Medal, among the awards.

In 1975 after his retirement from active duty, Paul joined Craig Valley Post #4491, Veterans of Foreign Wars in New Castle, where he has been active at all levels. He served as Post Commander 1980 thru 1983 and served as Post Quartermaster, a position he held for 29 years. He served 2 terms as District 6 Commander, elected at the State Convention and served as State Commander of Virginia during 1999-2000 and was selected as an All American State Commander by National Headquarters. He has served on committee at all levels and was a National Council Member representing members of Virginia and West Virginia for the years 2002-2004.

Paul was very active in promoting programs for our youth and helping our Veterans. He began helping the Boy Scout Troop at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, later serving as Scout Master for 3 years. Later he served as District Chairman of the Voice of Democracy and Patriots Pen Programs for students in grades 6 thru 12 in our schools. Paul was also very active in special programs for our hospitalized Veterans and at the Veterans Care Center, assisting on both Thanksgiving and Christmas Days.

In addition to being a life member of Craig Valley VFW Post #4491, he was a member of Craig Healing Springs Christian Church, Masonic Lodge AF & AM #140, New Castle, DC Shanks Royal Arch Chapter 31, Salem.

Funeral Services will be held 2:00 PM Wednesday, December 28, 2016 at Paitzel Funeral Home with Pastor Cody Rader officiating. Interment will follow at Bell Family Cemetery with full Military Rites. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Masonic Lodge, New Castle or the VFW Post #4491. Arrangements by Paitzel Funeral Home.



# Tribute Wall

MW

“ *Family and Friends,I know that this is a very difficult time. It's never easy to lose someone you love but God promises us that we will see our loved ones again and that you will see Paul again. Until then may your hearts be filled with the wonderful memories of joyful times spent together as you celebrate a life well lived. Please accept my condolences.*

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**margot w** - January 17, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LE

“ *Leslie and I would like to extend our deepest sympathy to Paul's family at his recent passing. He was such a good man and never forgot anyone. He was very patriotic and loved his country. Paul stopped by the house one warm day to tell Leslie that he had hung our flags up wrong. He told him that the USA flag was always on the right of any other flag. He would have known. Now Paul is with his beautiful granddaughter Missy, whom he loved very much. Fly high Paul you will be missed.*

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**Leslie** - January 09, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *So sorry for the loss of a wonderful person. My condolences to the family.*

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**Margaret Hines** - December 28, 2016 at 12:00 AM

HH

“ Our hearts were so saddened to learn of Paul's passing. Knowing Paul through our interactions with the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries and his illustrious service with the Veterans of Foreign Wars, he was a great presence who will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and other loved ones as you grieve his loss. He is gone from this earth, but certainly never forgotten.

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**His and Jeanne Haulsee** - December 28, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ Ann, Vance and Vince:I am heartbroken to hear of Paul's sudden passing! He was such a wonderful man and I have many fond memories of him and your family. May your memories of the loving husband and dad he was carry you through this difficult time. I will surely miss my hug I always got every year at the Fall Festival. (((Hugs))) and prayers to you all:( Love,Karen

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**Karen** - December 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ With Heartfelt SympathyThe Post & Auxiliary extends our heartfelt sympathy to the family of Comrade Paul Moore. Our hearts are saddened, but he will always be remembered as someone who was willing to help and support our Veterans and their families. God Bless You,Post & Auxiliary 4920Commander Berkley(Toby) SimmonsPresident - Vivian Simmons

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**Berkley** - December 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ To Paul's family; we are sorry for your loss. Take comfort in the memory of Paul. He was a good man from the inside out. Truly a Christian man who walked the walk, talked the talk. He was the same no matter where you seen him, no matter who he was with. His personality was a warm, giving, kind man always willing to reach a hand out to help someone. His personality was such ;"he never met a stranger " and he was always reaching out to friends and strangers alike. Paul was one of the most patriotic men we knew. He was always doing something to benefit the VFW and his country. He practice the saying "ask not what your country can do for you but ask what you can do for your country and he did it".

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**Robert and Jean Elmore** - December 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Thank you for being a great friend and exceptional mentor. I shall miss you very much.

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**Margo Sheridan** - December 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

HR

“ Paul was a true leader and friend. This country is indebted to you for your service and the VFW is grateful for your leadership. You will be missed.

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**Hal Roesch** - December 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ We, the staff at Paitzel Funeral Home are deeply sorry for your loss.

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**Paitzel Funeral Home Dec** - December 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM