

In Celebration of You

Paul William Meixsell was born May 11, 1925 in Bronx, NY. The oldest son of two children born to Paul E. and Dorothy Meixsell. He spent most of his life in the Bronx, NY, where he graduated from Evander Childs High School.

On January 16, 1943 Paul enlisted in the US Navy, at eighteen years of age. This courageous and selfless act became the most defining point in his life. He served his country well on the US Intrepid in World War II, witnessing the death of many of his shipmates and experiencing much of what we will never know. He held a "Gunner's Mate" position and was cited as being "clever, witty, and filled with ambition!" Three years later on May 10, 1946 as Seaman, First Class USN, Paul received an Honorable Discharge from the Navy. Paul then worked for AT&T for 33 years.

Paul met Evelyn his wife at a football game in 1946 upon his return home and discharge from the Navy. They had a lengthy courtship and were married six years later in 1952. They enjoyed 64 years (58 in marriage) together of hard work, sweat & tears, love, laughter and a timeless friendship; they were each others all-in-all! Paul affectionately called her "Sporty".

Early on Paul and Evie attended the Protestant Church on Gun Hill Road in the Bronx

The things that mattered most in life to "Paul" was simplistic: his family, friends and neighbors who on many and most accounts became his extended family. Paul was one of a kind. He wore his heart in his hand, never too busy to stop and greet you in passing, engaging in conversation, always....always willing to lend his hand, knowledge and skills to help wherever and whenever needed. Such a kind and loving soul to have left us!

Paul and Evelyn did not have children in the natural sense, but experienced the spiritual blessings, some of the joys and pains of parenthood by Loretta and Barry, who God chose to cross their path and place in their hearts.

He was preceded in death by his Wife, Evelyn Lorraine, Father Paul Edward and Mother Dorothy.

If "Paul" were here to speak to us he would remind each of us to enjoy life and do the things that bring happiness into our everyday lives; to be patient and kind

Lovingly Submitted, Loretta and Barry Ford

Order of Service

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Prayer	

Reading of the Obituary......Barry Ford

Sharing from Family and Friends

Readings from The Holy Scriptures.....Loretta T. Ford

Isaiah 25:6-9 Psalm 23 St. John 11:20-27

Homily

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate.

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day He rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen

Prayer of the Church

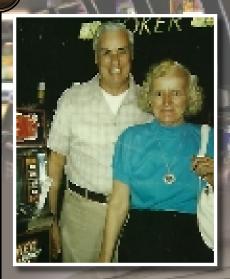
The Lord's Prayer/ Our Father

Commendation

Benediction

Entombment

Ferncliff Cemetery Hartsdale, New York





Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.

God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.



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