



Paul B. Fillebrown

August 2, 1941 - September 10, 2023

AYER - Chief Paul B. Fillebrown, 82, AFD (ret), of Ayer, died Sunday, September 10, 2023 at Apple Valley Center, Ayer.

Paul was born in Ayer, August 2, 1941, one of three sons born to Albert L. and Leah P. (Lufkin) Fillebrown and was a lifelong Ayer resident.

While in high school, Paul was a member of the basketball and baseball teams and was voted the Friendliest Member of his class.

Following his 1959 graduation from Ayer High School, Paul went to work at the Hartnett Tannery in Ayer until its closing in 1961. Paul then went to work at the Boston Gas Company where he held several positions until his retirement in 1992.

Paul's service to the Ayer Fire Department began as a call firefighter in 1962 and concluded in 2006 as Chief of Department. He dedicated 44 years of service to the Town of Ayer, as he rose from the rank of firefighter to chief. He was an active member of the International Fire Chiefs Association and the Massachusetts Fire Chiefs Association, serving on the Board of Directors from 1999 to 2005.

He was a member of the Ayer Gun & Sportsman's Club. Additionally, he was

instrumental in the formation of the Saturday morning youth recreation league basketball program in Ayer. He coached several youth sports teams and also served as an elected Commissioner member of the Ayer Parks & Recreation Department. He enjoyed giving back to his community and making memories with the people he loved. In his free time, he enjoyed being with his family and friends at York and Old Orchard Beach, Maine.

He leaves his wife of 62 years, Carolyn J. (Campbell) Fillebrown; his daughter, Diane J. Fillebrown of Ayer; his son and daughter in law, Paul B. Fillebrown Jr. and his wife, Debra of Ayer; his granddaughter and her fiancé, Ally Fillebrown and J.C. Marcone of Franklin; and his grandson Ryan Fillebrown of Worcester. He also leaves his sister in law, Rebecca Michaud and her partner, Ronnie Pitisci of Shirley; his brother in law, Kelly Campbell and his wife, Donna of Biloxi, MS; along with several nieces and nephews.

He was the brother of the late David L. Fillebrown of Ayer and John P. Fillebrown of Warner, NH.

Paul's family will receive relatives and friends at calling hours from 4-7 PM Thursday, September 14, 2023 at the Anderson Funeral Home, 25 Fitchburg Road, (Rte 2A) Ayer.

Funeral services will be held 10 AM Friday, September 15, 2023 in the funeral home. Interment will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Ayer Fire Department, Combination #1, 1 West Main Street, Ayer, MA 01432.

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Cemetery

Harvard Road
Ayer, MA 01432
info@andersonfuneral.com

Previous Events

Calling Hours

SEP **14**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Anderson Funeral Home
25 Fitchburg Road
Ayer, MA 01432
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Funeral Service

SEP **15**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Paul was a wonderful person who loved his family. I met him through the Ayer Town Hall when he served as Chief of the Department. He was always courteous and professional. He will be greatly missed. We send our love to his family.
Charlie and Sharon (Tess) Summers



Charlie and Sharon Summers - September 14, 2023 at 05:03 PM

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“ Paul was an awesome guy, much loved in the community and served the community so well. He will be missed. Condolences to the entire Fillebrown family. Bill and Michelle Oelfke

Bill and Michelle Oelfke - September 14, 2023 at 04:06 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Paul B. Fillebrown.



September 13, 2023 at 09:49 PM

JG

“ Jeff, Beth, John & Jeffrey Gendron purchased the Chinese Dogwood Tree for the family of Paul B. Fillebrown.



Jeff, Beth, John & Jeffrey Gendron - September 13, 2023 at 05:39 PM

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“ The White and Hirtle families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paul B. Fillebrown.

The White and Hirtle families - September 13, 2023 at 04:31 PM

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“ The White and Hirtle families purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Paul B. Fillebrown.



The White and Hirtle families - September 13, 2023 at 04:31 PM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Paul B. Fillebrown.



September 13, 2023 at 03:04 PM

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“ I remember the day I ran away from home. All the way to your house,(4 houses up) lol.

He made me one of his best grilled cheeses. Mom called, "yes Sally she's here. Eating lunch with us, Paul took care of it. We'll send her home in a bit". Too funny. He walked me to the end of the driveway and watched me walk home!! ❤️❤️❤️❤️

Cheryl Ryan-Wright - September 13, 2023 at 09:24 AM



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September 12, 2023 at 07:33 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Paul B. Fillebrown.



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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Paul B. Fillebrown.



September 12, 2023 at 03:58 PM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses* was purchased for the family of Paul B. Fillebrown.



September 11, 2023 at 06:09 PM