



Paul D. Walsh, 95, formerly of Fitchburg

September 19, 1930 - March 27, 2026

Paul D. Walsh, 95, of Texas City TX, formerly of Fitchburg, MA, passed following a brief period of declining health while hospitalized in Houston, TX on Friday March 27, 2026.

Born in Fitchburg on September 19, 1930, Paul was the third child of five boys to the late Michael Walsh and Stella (Jacques) Walsh.

Paul was a much-loved husband, father, and grandfather. He leaves his children: Michelle Leblanc of Fitchburg, Rhonda Cody (Mike) of Westminster, Paul Walsh (Jane) of Fitchburg, Barry Walsh (Heather) of Winchendon, Cindy Nowlan (Victor) of Westminster, Lisa Smith (Keith) of Texas City, TX, and David Walsh (Dianna) of Winchendon; 17 grandchildren: Shaun Fontaine, Todd Michaud, Melissa Michaud, Scott Leblanc, Phillip Girouard, Timothy Girouard, Stephanie Preville, Tammy Fuentes, Jeffrey Walsh, Caitlin Walsh, Hannah Walsh, Mathieu Nowlan, Aimee Nowlan, Jonathan Smith, Collin Smith, Saraya Haley, and Dillon Walsh. Additionally, he leaves 11 great grandchildren and 1 great-great grandchild. He also leaves numerous nieces and nephews, and several cousins.

Besides his parents, he is predeceased by his loving wife of 53 years, Mary Ann (Hill) Walsh, a daughter Shireen Michaud, and four brothers: Francis, Robert, Charles, and Edward Walsh; two sons in law: Michael Michaud and

Steven Leblanc, and his longtime canine companion, his Shih Tzu Sasha.

Paul attended school in Fitchburg and had various interests in his younger years. He dabbled in politics briefly in the 1970s campaigning for Mayor of Fitchburg, and was involved in several successful campaigns for other candidates at the state and local levels. He was employed by various painting contractors as a young man and eventually at General Electric in Fitchburg for many years, retiring early in the 1980s due to health issues. He later worked periodically during retirement for Bull Dog Carpet Cleaning and Restoration, owned by his daughter Lisa and son-in-law Keith. This work included traveling to Louisiana and Florida after hurricanes Katrina, Wilma and Rita.

Paul's other interests and hobbies included stamp collecting, travel, classical music, golfing, and sports in general. He was an avid reader, having read thousands of books throughout his life. He would average two novels a week and had read so many books that he often would start a new book only to realize that he had previously read it. His reading interest was primarily military and suspense. He developed an extensive knowledge of World War II. Paul was a New Englander and enthusiastic sports fan, especially of the New England Patriots, but did not appreciate New England weather and would winter with his daughter Lisa in Arizona and later Texas. Paul loved his family and especially his grandchildren, he established close relationships with many of them. Grampy always made time for them as children and was never above or too busy to play.

Paul enjoyed travel and, in addition to Arizona and Texas, he traveled throughout New England as a young man and later in life vacationed at the Grand Canyon, Las Vegas and Hawaii. He has also been to California, Aruba and particularly enjoyed his last vacation, a cruise of the Yucatan Peninsula in Mexico.

Paul was a former member of the Disabled American Veterans and a proud

member of the American Legion. He was a member of the Madonna of the Holy Rosary Parish in Fitchburg for many years and was very involved with parish fundraising. He also attended New Life Bible Fellowship in Arizona and renewed his wedding vows at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Tucson.

A funeral Mass will be held at St. Joseph's Parish, 49 Woodland St., Fitchburg, MA on Tuesday, May 19, 2026 at 10:00 am, followed by burial in Forest Hill Cemetery. There will be no calling hours. The Isabelle & Anderson Funeral Home, 316 Clarendon St., Fitchburg is assisting the family.

The family requests donations be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105 or Wounded Warrior Project P O Box 758516 Topeka, KS 66675.

Cemetery Details

Forest Hill Cemetery

Mt. Elam Rd.
Fitchburg, MA 01420

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

MAY **19**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Joseph's Church
49 Woodland St.
Fitchburg, MA 01420

Tribute Wall



“ *My condolences to the family. Sending thoughts & prayers!*
Paula & Wayne Hendrix

Paula Hendrix - April 16 at 11:28 AM