



## Paul Edward Case Jr.

September 23, 2023

Paul Edward Case Jr, 68, of Houston, TX died peacefully at Houston Methodist Hospital, after a lengthy illness on September 23, 2023, surrounded by family and friends.

Paul was born on October 5, 1954 in Canton, MS. He graduated from Mississippi State University, where he played trumpet in the Famous Maroon Band. His love of music led him to work as a radio disc jockey in school, to play trumpet in various bands, and to sing with choirs.

He began his career working for Dempsey Case's World Marine Company in Houston, TX. He later worked as a project cost accountant for various firms until his retirement.

Paul married Merlin Lilly Clark from Memphis, TN. Throughout their 33 years of marriage, Paul referred to Merlin as the Most Wonderful Wife in the world.

Throughout his life, Paul's love of God was apparent by his devotion and his involvement in church. Paul was a member of St John Vianney Catholic Church, where he was an usher, money-counter, and known by many. Paul sang in the choir and was a cantor.

Paul was a long-time member of the Knights of Columbus. He regularly

attended meetings of Memorial Council 6527, where he famously provided the refreshments. He was elected Grand Knight in 1995. He was awarded the Council's Knight of the Year in 2010, and received a Lifetime Achievement Award in 2017. He served many years in the Fourth Degree as Faithful Scribe for Assembly 2721 in Katy, TX.

Paul enjoyed life. He loved reading, crossword puzzles, BBQs, friends and family. He also enjoyed hunting, shooting skeet, fishing, and football. He exhibited patriotism and enjoyed a good party. He anticipated his birthday each year, declaring October as "The Month of Paul." He also loved his dog.

Paul will be missed by multitudes. His booming voice is now resounding in the presence of the Lord. He will live forever in our hearts through fond memories and enduring love.

Paul is preceded in death by his mother, Mary Dickerson Case; maternal grandparents, Mr & Mrs Charles Noel Dickerson; paternal grandparents, Mr & Mrs William Case; nephew, Clayton Edward Stubbs. He is survived by his wife, Merlin Case; father, Paul Edward Case, Sr. of Ridgeland, MS; sister, Connie Case Eatherly (Wick) of Tchula, MS; brother, Charles Dempsey Case (Janice) of Canton, MS; Nephews, Howard Cameron Stubbs (Jessica) of Oxford, MS and Casey Hammond Stubbs (Kaileigh) of Vicksburg, MS; niece, Ava Christine Case of Madison, MS; great nephew, Cannon Howard Stubbs of Vicksburg, MS.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Paul's name to Famous Maroon Band, Mississippi State University, PO Box 6162, Mississippi State, MS 39762 or Pilots for Patients, 3127 Mercedes Dr, Monroe, LA 71201.

The Case family will be present to receive friends Wednesday, September 27, 2023 from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM with a Rosary begin recited at 7:00 PM at

St. John Vianney Catholic Church, 625 Nottingham Oaks Trail, Houston, TX 77079. The Funeral Mass will be celebrated Thursday, September 28, 2023 at 10:30 AM at St. John Vianney Catholic Church. A reception will follow holy mass on the church campus.

Visitation in Mississippi will be at Breeland Funeral Home in Canton, MS – date pending. Interment will be at Hillcrest Cemetery in Goodman, MS.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 27. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

St. John Vianney Catholic Church  
625 Nottingham Oaks Trail  
Houston, TX 77079  
(281) 497-1500

## Vigil Service

SEP 27. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Houston, TX 77079  
(281) 497-1500

## Funeral Mass

SEP 28. 10:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

JW

“ Dear Merlin...I was able to get verified just today of Paul's passing. I am so sorry and sad. David and I were in Houston mid-September and Clayton Roberts had told me about Paul. I am sorry that it has taken me this long to inquire about him. He was a very nice man. When I had foot surgery, Paul had the Eucharistic minister bring the Eucharist to me at the pew. I really appreciated that. I have a picture on my phone of Paul and Clayton, taken probably in 2017 right before we had to return to Michigan. So I'll have that memory. If you remain in Houston (probably first part of November 2025) , hopefully, we'll get to see you at St. John Vianney. May Paul rest in peace.

Sincerely,

Joyce Warren & David Cross

3188 Innisbrook Dr  
Portage, MI 49024

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**Joyce Warren** - March 26, 2024 at 08:49 PM

PL

Dear Merlin. So sorry to hear about Paul although it's been awhile. He was so happy when you accepted his proposal. I remember it well. You asked me what to do. I remember telling you then what a great guy he was then and I was so glad you asked. Paul was a kind and loving person and he adored you. ....Penny Lane.

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**Penny Lane** - July 16, 2025 at 07:30 PM

MC

Just now seeing your text  
So very nice to hear from you. You know Paul loved you dearly. I am still in Houston so pls call if ever in town. Lots of love , Merlin

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**Merlin Case** - October 11, 2025 at 05:42 PM



“ *Paul Edward Case Jr.*

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *Paul Edward Case Jr.*

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *Paul Edward Case Jr.*

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ *Paul Edward Case Jr.*

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM



“ *Our sincere condolences to you and your family, Merlin. We want you to know that we love you and Paul and we are here for you anytime. Big Hugs and may GOD Bless and Comfort you during these difficult times. We will miss him.*

**Carlos Nassar** - September 27, 2023 at 11:47 PM

SW

“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



Sara Kenny Wilkinson - September 26, 2023 at 07:09 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Paul Edward Case Jr..



September 26, 2023 at 05:54 PM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Paul Edward Case Jr..



September 26, 2023 at 05:15 PM

CC

“ 1 file added to the album Paul



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**Carol C** - September 25, 2023 at 07:29 PM

SJ

“ Susan J. purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Paul Edward Case Jr..



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**Susan J.** - September 25, 2023 at 12:43 PM

SJ

“ Susan J. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paul Edward Case Jr..

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**Susan J.** - September 25, 2023 at 12:43 PM

WF

“ WOOD Gabriel Iglesias & Family purchased the Divine Light for the family of Paul Edward Case Jr..



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**WOOD Gabriel Iglesias & Family** - September 25, 2023 at 11:43 AM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Paul Edward Case Jr..*



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September 24, 2023 at 12:24 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Paul Edward Case Jr..*



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September 23, 2023 at 03:18 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Paul Edward Case Jr..*

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