



Mr. Paul Albro

May 24, 1948 - September 10, 2021

Paul Delaney Albro passed away on Friday, September 10, 2021 surrounded by his loved ones following a brief illness. He was born in Pittsfield, MA on May 24, 1948, the son of Stephen Albro and Alice (Delaney) Albro. He attended Pittsfield Schools graduating from Pittsfield High School in 1966. He was a proud member of the Cavalier Drum Corps during his time in Pittsfield. He then went on to obtain a degree in Engineering from UMASS Lowell in 1970 where he was a member of the Varsity Basketball Team. Following graduation, he was drafted into the US Army and proudly served his country during the Vietnam War. Following an honorable discharge from the Army, he went on to earn a master's degree in Business Administration from UMASS Amherst in 1975. After working for several plastics manufacturing companies, he was given the opportunity to fill in as an adjunct professor at Castleton State College in 1977 where he found his true passion – teaching. He soon became a full-time member of the faculty at Castleton where he taught for 33 years, retiring in 2010.

During his tenure at Castleton State College, he served as the chair of the business department three times, and served as both President and Vice President of Faculty Assembly. He also helped to establish a writing standards committee which set standards necessary for earning a business degree and evaluated student writing to determine if it met those standards. In addition, he authored a book on operational management and quantitative business decision making which was used as part of the Business curriculum at

Castleton. Paul also received several honors and awards during his time at Castleton. The Student Government Association named him Teacher of the Year 3 times, and he also received Outstanding Faculty of the Year 4 times as determined by students and alumni. In 2002, Paul received a faculty fellowship to perform research on the Irish Potato Famine followed by a presentation of his findings to members of the college and local communities. While teaching at Castleton, a scholarship was established in his name for students studying Business. Following his retirement, Paul was selected as the commencement speaker for the 2011 Castleton State graduation exercises, and in 2013 he received the honor of professor emeritus from the college. In addition to his Castleton responsibilities, Paul also traveled to Moscow, Russia to help faculty at the University of Moscow develop a business curriculum and acted as an adjunct professor at St. Michael's College in their graduate Business Degree Program.

Paul also volunteered with several organizations in the community. He acted as the Hubbardton, VT town moderator for 15 years. He served as a volunteer fireman with the Hubbardton and Castleton VT volunteer fire departments. Paul worked for three years to build a shelter in Rutland, VT called "The Dodge" for homeless veterans. He was also a volunteer delivery driver for Meals on Wheels.

Paul will always be remembered for his humor, which could at times be a little dark. He took pride in his Irish heritage, always ready with a story to share. He loved to teach kids how to drive, whether it was his grandson or a neighbor. He took great pride in his grandchildren, watching their sporting events, bringing them to swim lessons, and visiting in California. He was always ready to help paint, as long as heights were not involved. He will always be remembered for his unique expressions and the many nicknames that he assigned to friends and family. He was an avid fan of the Boston Red Sox, New England Patriots, Duke Basketball, and any team his grandchildren played for.

Paul is survived by his wife of 19 years and Kindergarten sweetheart, Paula

(Beringer) Albro, his daughter Stephanie Alband (Brad), his brother Stephen "Bill" Albro (Joan Rose), his aunt Norma "Auntie Em" Chalmers, brother-in-law Rich Beringer (Suz), stepchildren Jamie Virgilio (Jen Vallone) and Jessica Maloney (Rob), grandchildren Zoe Anna and Liv Delaney Alband, Tyler Virgilio (Katherine), Cooper and Caroline Maloney all of whom lovingly referred to him as Shenner (Irish for grandfather), nephews Steve Jr., Kevin, Kenny, and Billy Albro, lifelong friends Phil and Lynn Adams, and his dog Benny.

He was predeceased by his parents Stephen and Alice Albro, Aunt Nat (Delaney) Nelson, and his beloved dogs Scheisse and Harry.

Funeral Notice:

Calling hours will be Wednesday, September 15, 2021, from 4:00 to 6:00 PM at Dwyer-Wellington Funeral Home, 220 East Street, Pittsfield, MA 01201, and the family requests all those attending to please wear a mask for everyone's protection. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that donations be made to the Paul Delaney Albro Scholarship Fund for Business majors at Castleton State College, the Hubbardton, VT Volunteer Fire Department, or Soldier On.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **15.** 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Dwyer -Wellington Family Funeral Home - Pittsfield

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Tribute Wall

EP

“ *Paula,*
I am so sorry to hear of Paul's passing. I know how amazing it was for you to come together after years of being apart. I remember the Christmas party at your home and he was so warm and inviting. My Dad died on the 14th so I missed this. I often think of you and our years at RIS. I miss you. Please know I am sending you healing thought and I hope you find peace from your amazing memories. Much love, Erika Politano

erika politano - November 11, 2021 at 06:31 PM

SR

“ *Paula, Steve and Stephanie,*
My thoughts and prayers are with you during this time. My deepest condolences on the loss of your husband. Paul's passing was sudden & wish I could have been there with you. Paul was my younger cousin and I was very saddened with his passing. His sense of humor and smile was a spark in the room. He accomplished so much in his life and made it look so easy, He was a professor and teacher of challenging studies that were difficult to the average student. One of last times I spent with him was during his father's retirement from the Railroad which I will cherish. May Paul Rest In Peace with the angels.

Sandra Albro Rodriguez - September 23, 2021 at 10:08 PM

DD

“ 23 files added to the album *Castleton Times*



Deb Danforth - September 17, 2021 at 09:23 AM

JD

“ *Paula and family,*
We are so sorry to hear of Paul's passing. He made such a positive impression on everyone he met, and we are glad we got to know him, Our thoughts are with you today. Anne and John Dilts

JD - September 16, 2021 at 10:13 AM

SA

“ *Paula, Stephanie and Family,*
Paul was my godfather, first driving instructor and all around hero. I can still remember how happy I was when he let me have his army coat from Vietnam to wear all throughout my teen years. I wore it until it was in tatters. He made a trip to see us in N. Carolina in 2017 and he was so warm, loving and funny. After the visit he sent each of us separate post cards with humorous greetings and observations. I so wish we could be there with the family in Pittsfield during this difficult time. Prayers and love,

Stephen B., Kristy, Sam and Eevee Albro

Steve Albro - September 15, 2021 at 12:33 PM

AB

“ Paul, you will be missed. You were committed to helping people succeed--students to graduate, junior faculty to tenure and promotion, the college to be the best institution it could. Many afternoons and evenings, you could be found working with a student to assist them with mastering your challenging courses. And thank you for all the time you worked with, and coached, me during the tenure process. Every family needs glue to hold it together; you were the glue that held the Business Admin family together. Be at peace.



Angele Brill - September 15, 2021 at 11:44 AM

DW

“ Very sad to hear. But Paul was a giant force for the good, an inspiration to so many who were fortunate to cross his path, and a memorable soul with a keen intellect, warm heart and infectious sense of humor. The world is a better place because of Paul Albro.

Lyn and Dave Wolk

Dave Wolk - September 15, 2021 at 05:56 AM

KA

“ Paula
Uncle Paul was an inspiration with his charm and sense of humor.
He will be sorely missed and lovingly remembered.
-Nephew Kenny, Delaney and Madigan

Kenneth Albro - September 14, 2021 at 03:32 PM

LC

“ *Paula, so sorry to hear of Paul's passing. You are in my thoughts.*
Laurel Cecil



Laurel Cecil - September 14, 2021 at 03:16 PM

CM

“ *Paula - I'm so very sorry to learn about Paul's passing. I know he'll be sorely missed by all who knew him.*
Carol McMahan

Carol McMahan - September 14, 2021 at 09:34 AM

LP

“ *Dear Paula and Family,*

I am so sorry for your loss. Paul had an infectious smile and devious one at the same He lite up a room when he walked in. He will be missed by many. May he rest in peace.

Lucia Panetti

Lucia Panetti - September 14, 2021 at 09:09 AM



“ 50 files added to the album LifeTributes



Dwyer Funeral Home Inc. - September 14, 2021 at 09:03 AM

RO

“ RIP Prof. Albro, although did not met him with business, but graduated in Castleton State College, class of 1981 & 2002. God bless



Roxanne - September 14, 2021 at 05:43 AM

TG

“ Condolences to the Albro family during this difficult time. I had the pleasure of having Paul as a mentor during my time at Castleton. We also worked together on the fire department. His passion for life was contagious and his energy motivated all who knew him. Rest in peace me friend.

Tom Garrepy - September 13, 2021 at 06:10 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Mr. Paul Albro.



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