



Paul Diebel

October 26, 1956 - March 11, 2024

Paul Diebel, 67 year old resident of Little Falls, MN passed away Monday, March 11, 2024 at his home. A visitation will be held from 4-8 P.M. on Thursday, March 14, 2024 at the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, MN with a prayer service at 7:00 P.M. Caring for Paul and his family is the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, MN.

Paul Edward Diebel arrived on October 26, 1956 to the late Dwight and Bernice (Gmeiner) in Long Prairie, MN. He left us on the morning of March 11, 2024 at his home in Little Falls, MN. Paul was the fourth of ten children. At the age of six years old, the family relocated to Little Falls, MN. Paul grew up in Little Falls and graduated from Little Falls High School and then attended Brainerd Technical College. He was united in marriage to Becky Benson on October 28, 1977. To this union, they were blessed with two children, Joy and Bryan. Then four grandchildren followed, William and Wyatt Opatz and Layne & LeNora Diebel and one more little Diebel due later this summer. Paul worked for Art's Super Value, bartended at Frenchie & Anne's, and also worked for the Fina Station as manager, Super America, Hilmerson RV and retired from Little Falls Auto Value. He was also a Volunteer Firefighter for many years. Through his work, he became good friends with many during his career. This was very evident during his final days, all that called or dropped in to visit and reminisce. Many stories were shared of Paul's antics whether snowmobiling, fishing, camping or traveling. Though he loved his work and

had many friends, Paul was proudest of his family, especially his children and grandchildren.

Paul is survived by wife, Becky Diebel; daughter, Joy (Steve) Opatz; son, Bryan (Lori) Diebel; grandchildren, Will Opatz, Wyatt Opatz, and LeNora Diebel; siblings, Roger (Patrice) Diebel, Jan (Curt) Martinson, Charlie (Jill) Diebel, Pat (Mark) Inabnett, Sande Forster, Mary Peine, Wayne Diebel, and Diane (Rob) Ratke; brothers and sister-in-law, Kathy (Rick) Wiersgalla, David (Sheila) Benson, Jim (Patty White) Benson and Jerry Benson Jr.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Dwight & Bernice Diebel; in-laws, Jerry & Collette Benson; grandson, Layne Paul Diebel and brother, Doug Diebel.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **14**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

LeMieur Funeral Home of Little Falls
214 2nd Street SE
Little Falls, MN

Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Paul Diebel*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - March 12, 2024 at 09:58 AM

CA

A beautiful tribute to a beautiful family; my sincere condolences. Cathy Adamek

Catherine Adamek - March 12, 2024 at 10:55 PM

JS

“ *Jacob Schwanke lit a candle in memory of Paul Diebel*



Jacob Schwanke - March 15, 2024 at 02:38 PM

PU

“ My condolences to Becky and Diebel family, I haven't seen Paul for 20 plus years when he worked at Auto Value (National Bushing) but meet up with him again in Dialysis in Little Falls, he showed a positive, accepting attitude, friendly but could see he was hurting. Becky was also supportive of what was going on with Paul. I appreciate the time I spent with both Paul and Becky when they were coming and going for medical appointments. Take care everyone.

Punky - March 15, 2024 at 02:28 PM

JG

“ Jenna G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paul Diebel.

Jenna G. - March 14, 2024 at 06:01 PM

JD

“ We love you, Paul.
We miss you.
You were the catalyst in getting us together.
We thank you for all the fun times we had with you and Becky. God's Peace to all of us.



JD - March 14, 2024 at 12:04 PM

FJ

“ From, Kyle & Jena planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paul Diebel.

From, Kyle & Jena - March 13, 2024 at 09:18 PM

FJ

“ From, Kyle & Jena purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Paul Diebel.



From, Kyle & Jena - March 13, 2024 at 09:18 PM

DB

“ Donna Beaty lit a candle in memory of Paul Diebel



Donna Beaty - March 12, 2024 at 08:32 PM

RN

“ Robert Nutz lit a candle in memory of Paul Diebel



Robert Nutz - March 12, 2024 at 05:02 PM

WV

“ Wendy Valentine lit a candle in memory of Paul Diebel



Wendy Valentine - March 12, 2024 at 04:10 PM



Becky & Family - We are so sad to hear of Paul's passing. Paul was a great man who always had a smile on his face! You all are in our thoughts & prayers...may all of your memories comfort you in the difficult days ahead!

Wendy Valentine - March 12, 2024 at 04:18 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Paul Diebel.*



March 12, 2024 at 01:35 PM



“ *Dan and Jolene Crofoot planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paul Diebel.*

Dan and Jolene Crofoot - March 12, 2024 at 01:35 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Paul Diebel.*



March 12, 2024 at 01:01 PM



“ *Centrasota Dental Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paul Diebel.*

Centrasota Dental Team - March 12, 2024 at 01:01 PM

KL

“ Bryan, Lori, and Family, We are so incredibly sorry for your Great Loss! The loss of Dad is so hard! We are holding you all up in our prayers!

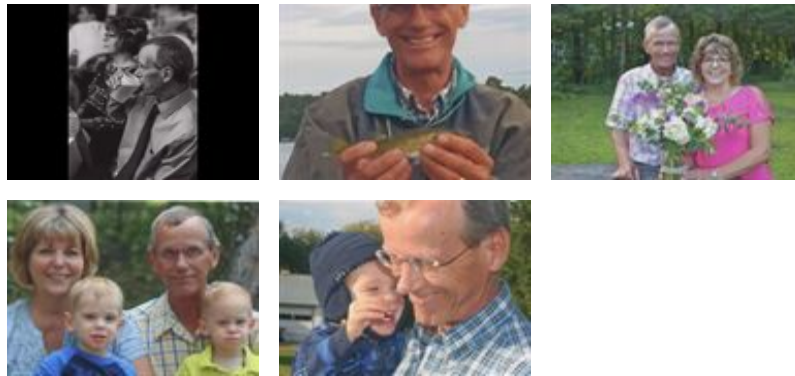
~Brad & Karin LeBlanc



Karin LeBlanc - March 12, 2024 at 10:53 AM



“ 68 files added to the album LifeTributes



Lemieur Funeral Homes - March 12, 2024 at 08:53 AM

SL

“ My Sympathy to Becky and the family. Paul was always good to me and i will remember him always as the good person that he was.

Steve LeMieur - March 12, 2024 at 08:11 AM

GP

“ So sorry for your loss sending hugs and strength



Gary and Shannon Pusc - March 12, 2024 at 07:28 AM

BK

“ Brandon & Michaela Kliber purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Paul Diebel.



Brandon & Michaela Kliber - March 12, 2024 at 04:26 AM

CS

“ Cindy N Anthony Strempe lit a candle in memory of Paul Diebel



Cindy n Anthony Strempe - March 11, 2024 at 11:49 PM

RD

“ Rosemary Doble lit a candle in memory of Paul Diebel



Rosemary Doble - March 11, 2024 at 10:37 PM

MB

“ *Becky and Family, So sorry to hear of Paul's passing. I enjoyed seeing both of you at the dialysis center. He was so brave and cheerful in spite of his pain and discomfort. May God give you all peace and comfort during this time. Mary Blake*

Mary Blake - March 11, 2024 at 10:28 PM



“ *Many great memories with Paul all through my life. Will always remember the younger years when we kept you on your toes. Will keep you and your family in our thoughts and prayers. 🥹*



Brad Hilmerson - March 11, 2024 at 08:37 PM

DP

“ *Deb Pederson lit a candle in memory of Paul Diebel*



Deb Pederson - March 11, 2024 at 08:03 PM

DL

“ *Dan Larsen purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Paul Diebel.*



Dan Larsen - March 11, 2024 at 07:37 PM

KK

“ Prayers sent to the family.



Ken and Kathy Kloss - March 11, 2024 at 07:21 PM

PM

“ Becky and Family, so sorry for your loss! No matter where you seen him, he had a smile on his face. RIP Paul!

Patty Mallak - March 11, 2024 at 06:58 PM



“ Becky and family, I'm so sorry about the loss of Paul. He was a great guy with lots of smiles. I have great memories of him in high school and driving back and forth to Brainerd VoTech. Sending prayers and sympathies.
Mike and Bev Zak Gangl



Beverly Gangl - March 11, 2024 at 05:32 PM

TC

“ Becky & family, our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.



Tim & Sandy Cash - March 11, 2024 at 04:38 PM

DF

“ Dear Becky and the whole Diebel Family. So sorry to hear about Paul's passing. Very nice guy and a true friend. I know he will be dearly missed. Another angel received his wings. Blessings to all.



Darrol & Judi Zak Ficek - March 11, 2024 at 04:23 PM

JH

“ This is SO SAD... Paul was one of the BEST. RIP my friend. Becky and family we are so sorry for your loss. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.



Jim & Linda Hilmerson

Jim Hilmerson - March 11, 2024 at 04:16 PM

PM

“ Patty Mallak lit a candle in memory of Paul Diebel



Patty Mallak - March 11, 2024 at 03:42 PM

DL

“ DelRae LeBlanc lit a candle in memory of Paul Diebel



DelRae LeBlanc - March 11, 2024 at 02:47 PM

DL

“ *Becky and Family - I am so very sorry!*

DelRae LeBlanc - March 11, 2024 at 02:46 PM

RG

“ *Thinking of you with a saddened heart for your loss.*



Roxie Grow - March 11, 2024 at 02:28 PM



“ *Becky and family so very sorry for your loss. Paul was a great guy! My thoughts and prayers are with you. 🙏*
Renae Schneider



Renae Schneider - March 11, 2024 at 02:18 PM

BA

“ *Bruce And Kathy Anderson lit a candle in memory of Paul Diebel*



Bruce and Kathy Anderson - March 11, 2024 at 02:15 PM

TL

“ *Ted And Jeanne Lashinski lit a candle in memory of Paul Diebel*



Ted and Jeanne Lashinski - March 11, 2024 at 01:25 PM

BL

“ *Bernie & Lyann Lashinski lit a candle in memory of Paul Diebel*



Bernie & Lyann Lashinski - March 11, 2024 at 01:09 PM

PT

“ *Pat Theis lit a candle in memory of Paul Diebel*



pat theis - March 11, 2024 at 01:08 PM

AM

“ *So sorry for your loss. Sending prayers to all of you during this difficult time.*



Ashley Miller-Felker - March 11, 2024 at 12:54 PM

JG

“ *Becky and family I am sorry for your loss, thinking of all of you during this difficult time.*
Jill & Jeff



Jill Guith - March 11, 2024 at 12:32 PM

DH

“ *Deb Helmerick lit a candle in memory of Paul Diebel*



Deb Helmerick - March 11, 2024 at 11:43 AM