



# Paul A. Ceresa

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Paul A. Ceresa, 68, of Fort Myers, passed away Saturday, August 11, 2012. He was born September 4, 1943 in Westerly, RI and moved to Fort Myers in 2008 from Hope Valley, RI, where he had lived for 39 years. He retired in 2003 as Vice President of Operations for Washington Trust Company in Rhode Island following 30 years of service. While in Hope Valley, he was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and served on the Parish Council. He also served on the Board of Directors at the Westerly Y.M.C.A. and was a member of Blessed Pope John XXIII in Fort Myers. Mr. Ceresa leaves to cherish his memory, his wife of 47 years, Jeanne Ceresa; his children: Karen Comforti (Joseph) of Westerly, RI, Brian Ceresa (Sara) of Louisville, KY and Peter Ceresa (Yvonne) of Martinez, CA; his grandchildren: Kayla, Kyle, Julia, Lauren, Gabrielle and Domenico. Also surviving is his sister, Frances Knowles (Gilbert) of Pawtucket, CT. Memorial services will be conducted at 10:00 AM Wednesday, August 15, 2012 at Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Westerly Y.M.C.A. or to Regional Florida Cancer Institute. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Funeral Home, 1589 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers, FL 33907, 239-936-0555. Online condolences may be made at: [www.fortmyersmemorial.com](http://www.fortmyersmemorial.com).



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FB

**Frank J. Bourgeois** posted:

I was told of Paul's passing this past Friday, 10/12/12 and felt obligated to offer my condolences to his family. I am a former banker from South Louisiana and met Paul during the late 90's as we served together on an advisory committee for Bankline, a computer software company. He and I hit it off immediately and a friendship was formed. We were the only Catholics on this committee and we had established a rule that Paul and I had to attend Sunday Mass before any meetings were held. I last spoke to him a few year ago. My thoughts and prayers are with you as you go through this difficult time. I know that he was a man of faith and a caring family man. He often spoke of his family. Frank J. Bourgeois

October 16 at 3:11 PM

RA

**Rania** posted:

It's a pleasure to find such rationality in an answer. Welcome to the debate.

October 4 at 6:16 AM

JF

**John Flynn** posted:

Jeanne and family, I am so sorry we lost Paul. He was a good friend, and such a good person. When Paul started his 'blog' a few years ago about the Red Sox, I didn't know most of the recipients. Since his passing we have been sharing stories about Paul. I have found out his other friends range from High School to Bryant to the Y and then to his work career plus neighbors and just good friends even including a Yankee Fan. That was Paul. If you knew him you loved him. It didn't matter how you met him or where you knew him from, he drew people to him. Paul is with Jesus, and Jesus will be at your side to help you through these difficult days. May the peace that only God can bring be with you and your family. John

August 19 at 8:46 PM



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EG

**Elizabeth Goor** posted:

Dear Jean, Willy, my mom and I were, and still are, in shock at this terrible news. While we knew he was ill, we were confident he would be OK. After all, he was young, active and so well-loved. We will always remember him with great affection and gratitude. I cannot forget how both of you were so good to both my parents when you were neighbors on Brook Drive. When my dad passed away, I felt comforted that my mom, I knew, could always count on you. There was nothing Paul wouldn't do to help and I can't ever express how much that meant to me. We are thinking of you at this very sorrowful time. Please take comfort in knowing that Paul is there, everywhere you look, watching over you and the children, keeping you safe. How fortunate all of you have been to have had him in your lives.

August 17 at 4:34 PM

CR

**Charlie Ross** posted:

paul was a great guy and will be missed by all who knew him, a great conversationist as well as a runner happy trails paul

August 17 at 11:43 AM

PK

**Pam And Bob Kozora** posted:

Paul was a good friend and neighbor who could always be counted on to make you laugh. He will certainly be missed by his family and friends. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Jeanne and family.

August 16 at 2:18 PM

LL

**Linda C. Lawton** posted:

Dear Jeanne and family, My deepest sympathy to you and your family. This past year we have lost quite a few members of the Old Home Town Bank. Paul, was a very witty and bright man all in one. He was always there when you needed a technical answer for those computers when we first got them. I've been blessed to have known him and to have worked with him. May your memories of your life with him help with your healing of this saddened time. Sincerely, Linda C. Lawton

August 16 at 9:02 AM



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JP

**Joe And Bonnie Pizza** posted:

Dear Jeanne and Family, So very sorry to hear of the loss of Paul. He was such a great person, we will fondly remember with some good memories. He had a wonderful sense of humor. We were very blessed to have known him. May all the special memories you shared be within your hearts always. God bless you with the strength through this difficult time. Our thoughts prayers and sincere sympathy. The Joseph Pizza Family

August 15 at 8:52 PM

BP

**Bob And Mary Jo Piacenza** posted:

Jeanne and Family, this was a shock when Gene Spring told us. Its not often you meet someone like Paul, a guy whos as easy to talk to as he is to joke with. Paul would do anything to help out. He had a zest for life, and his Boston red sox. We are so Sorry for your loss and we will miss him.

August 15 at 8:10 PM

ES

**Emily & Scott** posted:

Uncle Paul was a special man who will be missed by many, especially those of us lucky enough to be a part of his family. Love & prayers to you all, Emily, Scott & kids

August 15 at 7:23 PM

PP

**Patti & Frank Papa** posted:

My deepest sympathy to Jeanne and her family. It is a great loss not only to his family but to the many people that he touched. Our prayers are with you.

August 15 at 5:18 PM

RG

**Richard & Rae Anna Gray** posted:

Jeanne, our thoughts, hearts and prayers are with you and your family. Always enjoyed Paul's sence of humor and his devotion to his community. May you live with happy memories, Rae Anna

August 15 at 11:12 AM



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KJ

**Karen D. Johnson** posted:

My sincere condolences to Jeanne and to all of the family. Paul was always a gentleman and a good friend. He adored his family. I know that everybody who knew him will miss him and I pray that your memories of him will bring a smile to your heart. Sincerely, Karen D. Johnson Class of '61

August 15 at 10:55 AM

DK

**David Kozora** posted:

Everyone, I don't know what do say. I'm floored and so very sorry. Paul had a zest for life like few others. His wit, intelligence, compassion, socialability, congenialty, passion, and empthay will never be forgotten. My prayers are will all of you. Warmly, David

August 15 at 10:46 AM

KL

**Kimberly Lofgren** posted:

My condolences to Paul's family, he spoke lovingly and often of his wife, children and grandchildren. Paul was a kind, giving and thoughtful man. A true gentleman!

August 15 at 10:26 AM

JR

**Jamie Rush** posted:

Ceresa Family, I am so sorry for you loss and pray for comfort and guidance to help you through this difficult time. You are in our thoughts today.

August 15 at 10:12 AM

AS

**Amy Bliven Siewert** posted:

Jeanne, Fran and all of the family, I'm so sorry to hear of Mr. Ceresa's passing. I have a lot of good memories of him throughout the years. May all the good memories help comfort you in this difficult time. He was a great man and I'm happy to have known him. Amy (Bliven) Siewert

August 14 at 11:48 AM



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**Lou Martone** posted:

I met Paul a few years ago. We played golf a few times together. Neither one of us was any good. He finally had enough and stopped playing and started baseball instead. We met often at the pool and "walked the water" together and discussed baseball. He being a Red Sox fan and me a Yankee fan. We had some lively discussions. I enjoyed his company and will miss him. Sincerely, Lou Martone

August 14 at 10:59 AM



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