



Paul R. Brown

January 1, 2026

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Chili: Thursday, January 1, 2026 at age 95. Predeceased by his wife, Phoebe; daughter, Cheryl Haines; and siblings, George Brown and Dorothy Breeze.

Survived by children, Cathy (James) Carpenter, Kevin (Kathlee) and Sandra Norris (Debbie Lenau); grandchildren, Billy, Melissa, Krista, Kyle, Nicole, Daniel, Amanda, Benjamin and Gregory; 14 great-grandchildren; sons-in-law, Bill Haines and Doug Norris; and several nieces, nephews and dear friends.

In Loving Memory of Paul Robert Brown (1930–2026) Paul Robert Brown entered peacefully into the presence of his Lord and Savior on January 1, 2026. While our hearts grieve his passing, we rejoice in a life well lived and a faith faithfully kept. Born in Rochester, NY, in 1930, Paul lived a life rooted in love, service, and devotion to God and family. He graduated from Alfred State College with a degree in horticulture, a reflection of his appreciation for growth, care, and God's creation—qualities that also defined the way he lived his life. Paul married his childhood sweetheart, Phoebe Morris, and together they shared 67 devoted years of marriage until her passing in 2016. Their love was a beautiful testimony of commitment, partnership, and faith. Paul was a dedicated and loyal husband, caring for Phoebe with unwavering devotion throughout her years of illness and continuing to honor her through service and compassion long after her passing. Family was the center of Paul's life. He was a proud and loving father to Cheryl, Cathy, Kevin, and Sandra, a cherished grandfather to nine grandchildren, and a joyful great-grandfather to

fourteen great-grandchildren. He delighted in time spent with his family, always offering encouragement, wisdom, and unconditional love. His steady presence and gentle guidance will be felt for generations. Paul spent his career employed by Eastman Kodak in the payroll department, where he was known for his reliability and integrity. Beyond his work, his greatest calling was his faith. He loved his church deeply and served faithfully as a deacon, trustee, and Sunday school teacher for both youth and adults. His quiet leadership, servant's heart, and dedication left a lasting impact on his church family. Some of the family's most treasured memories were made at Paul's camp on Black River Bay, where generations gathered to fish, swim, boat, and enjoy the simple blessings of time together. Later in life, Paul and Phoebe spent many joyful winters as "snowbirds" in Texas, building friendships and continuing their shared love of community and fellowship. Paul volunteered faithfully at his church and at the nursing home where Phoebe resided, offering comfort, kindness, and companionship to others. He was known for his ever-present smile and his sincere compliments—making everyone he encountered feel seen, valued, and uplifted. We take comfort in knowing that Paul is now reunited with his beloved Phoebe and daughter, Cheryl, and hearing the words, "Well done, good and faithful servant." His life reflected Christ's love through service, humility, and grace. Paul's legacy of faith, love, and family will live on in all who knew him. He will be deeply missed and forever remembered. "If you have faith as small as a mustard seed... nothing will be impossible for you."— Matthew 17:20

The family extends a special thank you to the staff at St. Ann's Home for their compassionate care.

Family and friends are invited to Paul's Funeral Service Thursday, Jan. 8th at 12pm at the chapel at St. Ann's Home, 1500 Portland Ave. Rochester, NY 14621. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Blood Cancer United.

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery

2650 Lake Avenue
Rochester, NY 14612

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JAN 8. 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Ann's Home
1500 Portland Ave.
Rochester, NY 14621

Tribute Wall

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“ *Linda Short lit a candle in memory of Paul R. Brown*



Linda Short - January 04 at 04:54 PM