



Paul Howard Turnrose

October 6, 1938 - November 23, 2024

Paul Howard Turnrose, 86, of Forestville, passed away Saturday (Nov. 23, 2024). He was born in New Britain on Oct. 6, 1938, son of the late Louise and Howard Turnrose. His immediate family, including his parents, his younger brother and his maternal grandmother, was very close-knit, supportive and loving. His upbringing nurtured a strong sense of curiosity, integrity, honesty, and respect for others that guided his entire life.

Paul excelled in school, being on honor rolls throughout his New Britain public school career, including being elected to the National Honor Society in high school. He was also selected to participate in the Boy's State leadership summer program while at New Britain High School. Paul enrolled in the University of Connecticut and studied at the Hartford campus for several years before enrolling in the US Air Force. He served 4 years in the USAF, receiving training as a radar technician and obtaining the rank of Staff Sergeant.

Following his military service, he completed his bachelor's degree in EE at UConn, followed by a master's degree in EE in 1967.

Paul's entire 33-year professional career was as an electrical engineer at Waring Products, which later became part of the Dynamics Corporation of America. He was the holder of at least one US patent. He retired in 2000 and continued to provide support and care for his parents in his home until their deaths.

Paul loved railroads and collected antique lamps, many of which were railroad related. He also was very handy with tools and single-handedly constructed a

major addition to his house. In addition, Paul was fond of growing and tending to plants, both indoors and out. For many years, he helped his parent's plant and care for a large rented plot at a community garden, growing a large variety of flowers and vegetables. He continued working that community garden plot after his parents' passing until recent years, when his health kept him from that work.

Paul was always a generous and loving son, brother, brother-in-law, and uncle. His intelligence, kindness and willingness to do anything to help friends and family were hallmarks of his life, along with his tremendous respect for all living things. He will always be greatly loved and missed and will remain in his family's hearts as an example of the best.

Paul is survived by his brother Barry (Kathryn) of Gilbert, AZ; niece Heather Lakey (Charlie) of Pikesville, MD; nephew Erik Turnrose (Dawn), grandniece Jenna Turnrose, and grandnephew Tyler Turnrose of Gilbert, AZ; and several cousins.

A private graveside service with military honors will be held at Fairview cemetery, New Britain. There are no calling hours. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice. Carlson Funeral Home, New Britain is assisting with arrangements. Please share a memory or note of sympathy at www.carlsonfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

120 Smalley Street
New Britain, CT 06051

Tribute Wall

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“ Sorry to hear of Paul's passing. PT was a wealth of knowledge and was always willing to take the time to answer any questions I may have had during my time at Waring. It has been almost 28 years since I left Waring, but seeing this brings back many fond memories of one of the nicest guys I have ever had the pleasure of knowing. RIP Paul.

Guy Casalino - June 23, 2025 at 03:12 PM

EJ

“ So very sad to learn of Paul's passing. During my 15 years at Waring, he and I became very good friends. (Oh, the laughs we shared over "The Far Side" cartoons.". He was ever the gentleman, and always ready to be helpful on any project. RIP dear friend.

Edward Parsons Jr - June 23, 2025 at 02:29 PM