



# Paul H. Cockrill

AUG 7, 1940 - OCT 6, 2016



Scan to Visit



MEMORIAL PARK  
Funeral Home & Cemetery

# Table of Contents

<b>Obituary</b> .....	Page 3
<b>Tribute Wall</b> .....	Page 4



## **Paul H. Cockrill**

AUG 7, 1940 - OCT 6, 2016

**P**aul H. Cockrill Jr. went to be with the Lord on October 6, 2016. Paul was born in Memphis, Tennessee on August 7, 1940. He was a graduate of Messick High School and Memphis State University, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree at night while working full time. Paul spent his professional life in sales. He served as President and Board Member of Sales and Marketing Executives of Memphis (1982 to 1990) and Vice President of the National Speakers Association. Paul was a devout Christian throughout his life. He was a proud member of Gideon's International and very active with Truth Seekers Fellowship of Memphis. Paul did not confine his faith to denomination or church. He was involved in many prayer groups and Bible studies all over Memphis. Paul is preceded in death by his parents, Paul Cockrill Sr. and Dimps Ogan (Charles); his first wife, Donna Pugh Cockrill and his step-brother, Bill Ogan. He is survived by his wife, Irene Davis Cockrill; his children, Lucy Blackmon, Katie Cole (Clay) and Paul "Bud" Cockrill, III (Celeste); his step-children, Jennifer Volpitto (Greg), Amy Allen (Johnny), Archie Hamilton (Melissa) and Cliff Hamilton (Melissa) and his sisters, Jane Craddock, Harriet Rowland and Mary Cude. Paul adored and was immensely proud of his fifteen grandchildren. The family will receive friends on Saturday, October 15th from 10:30 until the service begins at 11:30 at First Evangelical Church. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to The Gideon's International or Truth Seekers Fellowship "Celebrating Life... Behind the Stone Wall".



## Tribute Wall

**Paul H. Cockrill**

AUG 7, 1940 - OCT 6, 2016

HS

**Harold Simmons** posted:

I enjoyed all the years knowing Paul. We worked together for 10 years, that went by too fast. He was there when I needed him and I hope he is at peace now. I am happy to have known him. Harold Simmons

October 14 at 9:52 AM

AS

**Arthur R Shelton** posted:

Paul was a good friend, supervisor and mentor to me from the time we met. I give him credit for mentoring me during my seventeen plus years working for him at J. Strickland Company. He became a personnel friend as well as a friend to my family. He will surely be missed by those of us who knew him. Arthur R. Shelton

October 14 at 7:52 AM

MP

**Memorial Park** posted:

Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Paul H. Cockrill Jr..

October 13 at 8:44 AM

MF

**Michael Fuller** posted:

Very sad to hear about Paul, you have my deepest sympathy. He was a great friend and influence in my life and career at J. Strickland & Co. for over 12 years. Michael Fuller

October 13 at 4:18 AM

MP

**Memorial Park** posted:

Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Paul H. Cockrill Jr..

October 12 at 5:49 AM

MP

**Memorial Park** posted:

Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Paul H. Cockrill Jr..

October 11 at 4:54 AM



## Tribute Wall

**Paul H. Cockrill**

AUG 7, 1940 - OCT 6, 2016

GA

**Gwen Arps** posted:

To: Buddy, Celeste & Simon, You all have my Deepest & Sincere Sympathy!! I will keep you all in my thoughts & prayers!! I Love You All So Much!! Love & Prayers, Grandma Gwen

October 10 at 12:30 PM

JP

**Jay Perdue** posted:

Starting barely a year out of college, I was blessed to have Paul as my boss for five years from 1984 to 1989, and he was the best boss I ever had before and since. He believed in me when I was a green and inexperienced kid, gave me lots of freedom and enthusiastically supported me. I learned so much from him, including how to have fun and enjoy life as well as work. And I know how important you were as his family because he spoke of you often. May you find comfort in the memories you have of a man who was truly bigger than life, and comfort in knowing your memories and loss are shared by others. God bless you.

October 10 at 9:55 AM

HO

**Holland** posted:

My condolences to the Cockrill family for the loss of your dear loved one. We can find comfort in Jesus words found at John 5:28,29. This promise lets us know we can see our love ones again here on earth. (Revelation 21:3,4.) May Jehovah the God of comfort help you in this difficult time. (2 Corinthians 1:3,4.)

October 8 at 1:09 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Paul by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



Scan to Visit



**MEMORIAL PARK**  
Funeral Home & Cemetery