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Paul Charles Akeo was born in Kaimuki, Hawaii, on September 5, 1940, to Philip and Josephine Akeo. He was the fourth of five children: Philip "Junior", Lester "Sam", Jacqueline "Jackie", and Wallace Jennings "Wally". He graduated from the Kamehameha Schools for Boys in 1958, where he lettered in riflery and football.

Paul's life was one of service. He proudly served in the U.S. Army and later as a law enforcement officer. His commitment to duty and protecting others left a lasting impact on those around him.

Paul was a devout Catholic and parishioner of St. John Vianney Catholic Church. He took pride in reading for masses, reading his Bible to learn more about the passage, and ensuring that the reading delivery encouraged thought and understanding.

Paul was a devoted fan of University of Hawaii Rainbow sports. He and Barbara were season ticket holders for Rainbow Warrior football for almost twenty years and often attended UH men's and women's volleyball, basketball, and baseball games. Paul cheered passionately for the Bows (especially the first time that UH beat BYU!). He enjoyed making many UH football players feel at home in Hawaii by welcoming them into the Akeo family.

Paul was an experienced woodworker. He lovingly crafted many picture frames, trivets, and other crafts as gifts for others. He took a special interest in crafting urns for family and friends in need.

Paul was a frequent customer at Kalapawai Market in Kailua. He'd drive down early in the morning to help the staff put out benches and regularly took puakenikeni from his home tree to place on the counter for patrons to smell. He was a stranger to no one—everyone knew Paul at Kalapawai.

Paul loved bicycling and swimming. He would cycle down to Kailua beach, where he would swim, walk the beach, talk to tourists, or just sit and eat a sandwich. He would help out in community service efforts and embodied the aloha spirit.



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Paul loved cooking and baking for his family. Whether it was a lemon meringue pie, scones, meatloaf, or a tuna sandwich, tummies were always satisfied when Papa was in the kitchen. He had the special privilege of introducing his grandchildren and great-grandchild to Oreo cookies--yum! In exchange, the grandchildren introduced their Papa to the world of texting and emojis. Text threads were never the same after Papa learned how to insert emojis--he inserted emojis on everything.

Most of all, Paul loved living life with his sweetheart, Barbara. They loved attending UH games, ballroom dancing, domestic and international travel, and helping others. Paul loved his family and was a devout husband, father, and papa.

Paul was a cherished resident of The Plaza in Kaneohe since 2019, where he was quickly nicknamed "the mayor" because he knew so many people and always made people feel welcome. Paul passed away in Kaneohe, Hawaii, on Sunday, February 25, 2024, at 83.

Preceded in death by his beloved wife and high school sweetheart, Barbara, Paul's legacy lives on through his surviving children: Paul "Chuck" Jr. (Pamela), Dale (Lynn), and Rhonda "Miki" (Tim), seven grandchildren and one great-grandson.

Paul's celebration of life will be held on Saturday, March 9, 2024, at St. John Vianney Catholic Church (920 Keolu Drive, Kailua). Visitation 12 - 2 PM, Mass 2:30 PM.



Events


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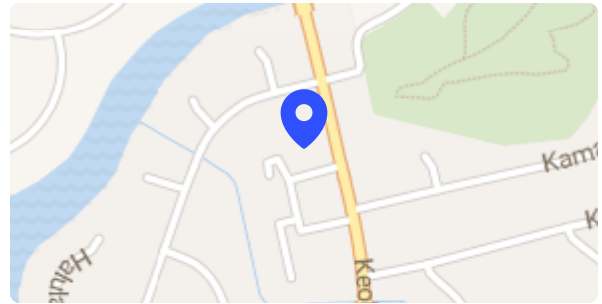
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Visitation

 **Saturday**, March 9, 2024

 12:00 PM HST


 **St. John Vianney Church**
920 Keolu Drive, Kailua HI 96734

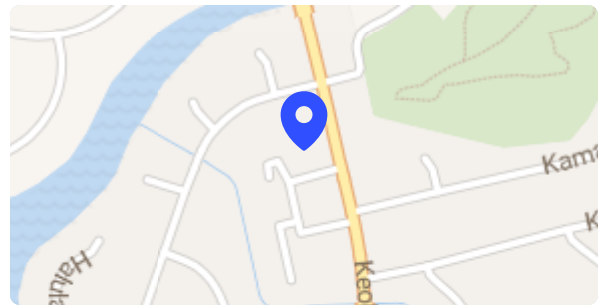


Funeral Service

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 2:30 PM HST

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Tribute Wall

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BA

Bobby Aiu posted:

I submitted a post yesterday but did not see it, so I'll try again. I'm sorry I was not able to attend the celebration of our friend's life. Brother Paul, George Karonis, and I were partners from 1978-1981 as part of the new Division Unit (now State Narcotics/Narcotics Enforcement Division). In those days, pharmaceutical drugs were a rage in the nation, propagated by some rogue doctors and pharmacists. Paul was an outstanding investigator, intuitive, firm, but mellow. His report writing was meticulous. I really enjoyed working with Paul and George (who were best of friends). Paul gave me his beloved Ginger, a pure-bred lady boxer. My family enjoyed her for years, reminding me of Paul. I used to tease Paul that he reminded me of King Kamehameha I, but better looking! Aloha & prayers for Brother Paul and the Akeo family. God bless you. Bobby Aiu

March 10 at 8:02 AM

BA

Bobby Aiu posted:

Bother Paul, George Karonis, and I were partners for three years (1978-1981) with the new Diversion Unit (now State Narcotics/Narcotics Enforcement Division). We were tasked with enforcing the pharmaceutical laws. Many doctors and pharmacists were blatantly distributing dangerous drugs in Hawaii (and the nation). Paul was an outstanding investigator, so mellow but firm. His report writing was meticulous. I surely enjoyed my time with Paul and George (they were best of friends). Around this time, Paul gave me his dog...beloved Ginger, a pure-bred lady boxer. My family enjoyed Ginger for years, always reminding me of Paul. I would tease Paul that he reminded me of King Kamehameha I, only better looking!! I'm sorry I'm not able to attend Paul's celebration, but I pray for brother Paul and his family. Aloha & God bless Paul & family. Bobby Aiu

March 9 at 5:08 AM

FG

Fr. Tom Gross posted:

Paul was a true Christian gentleman. He treated everyone with love and respect because he could see the image of God in every person and had deep respect for the goodness in everyone. May all of us who had the privilege of knowing and loving Paul continue his legacy of kindness and love. Fr. Tom Gross

March 5 at 8:49 AM

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Mike And Terri Taylor March 9 at 1:03 AM

Father Tom, you are so correct. May we all continue his legacy by living out his passion for loving everyone and always being kind. God Bless You Paul and now you are with Barbara.



Memories only last if you share them

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



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