



Mr. Paul Wanko

December 23, 1934 - May 25, 2023

Mr. Paul Wanko, age 88, of Arab, Alabama passed away Thursday, May 25, 2023 at Huntsville Hospital. Mr. Wanko was born December 23, 1934 in Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania to Peter Wanko and Wanda Klemek Wanko. Mr. Wanko had earned his Associates Degree at Penn State University. He was employed by and retired from the Army Missile Command where he worked as an Engineering Tech. Paul was married 58 years to his lovely wife, Maurene Dendy Wanko. Paul also proudly served his country by enlisting in the United States Navy.

Although Paul enjoyed his work and career with the Army Missile command, he also enjoyed working around his home. He took extreme pride in maintaining his lawn and garden and spent much of his "leisure" time doing so. He was also a big fan of Penn State and Auburn.

Family surviving the death of their beloved Paul and cherishing their memories of him are: wife, Maurene Wanko; sons, Steve Wanko (Melba) and Richard Wanko; brother, Jack Wanko (Carole); sister, Laurette Wanko-Johnson (Dennis); grandchildren, Shawn Wanko and Michael Wanko, great grandchild, Tyler Wanko.

A visitation for Mr. Wanko will be 1:00 until 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 30, 2023. The funeral service will follow the visitation beginning at 2:00 p.m. Both services will be held at Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel. Officiating will be Brother Matt Jordan. Interment will be in Arab Memorial Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Eddie Williams, K. Joe Stephenson, Wayne Leonard, Tim Brooks,

Glenn Cruse and Donnie Fleming.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Rocky Mt. Primitive Baptist Church, P.O. Box 288, Arab, Alabama.

Cemetery Details

Arab Memorial Cemetery

565 South Main Street
Arab, AL 35016

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 30. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel
1340 North Main Street
Arab, AL 35016
(256) 586-4100

Funeral Service

MAY 30. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Paul Wanko.* ”



June 01, 2023 at 01:21 PM



“ *33 files added to the album Life Tributes* ”



Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel - May 30, 2023 at 10:38 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall* ”



Marlene Cruze - May 30, 2023 at 09:31 AM

MC

“ A great man has passed. Paul has been an exemplary neighbor, a true friend, like a brother to my husband, and Paul can never be replaced. We loved him and Maureen deeply. The 28 years we have lived beside Paul, we have never heard an unkind word from him about anyone. He worked hard at everything he tackled and tried to make any and every job as perfect as possible. Sincere love and condolences to everyone in Paul’s family.

Marlene Cruze and Glenn Cruze

Marlene Cruze - May 29, 2023 at 01:50 PM

EW

“ Mr. Paul Wanko was my neighbor and a dear friend. He was a kind and thoughtful man that would always take time to help others. Our neighborhood will miss him dearly. Our prayers and love go out to Maurene and her family. Ed Williams

Ed Williams - May 29, 2023 at 12:27 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Paul Wanko.



May 29, 2023 at 11:36 AM

FM

“ Mr. Paul Wanko was a dear friend and colleague of my father, Lester Ross. All of us in the Ross Family will miss Paul greatly. Sincere wishes for comfort for Maurene and family during this time of sadness and loss. Lynn Ross Moore

Frances Lynn Moore - May 29, 2023 at 11:21 AM