



## Paul E. Burkhardt

January 14, 1941 - January 11, 2024

Paul E. Burkhardt, age 82, was born in Hamilton, OH, on January 14, 1941. He was the son of Philip and Margaretha (Keller) Burkhardt. Paul passed away on Thursday, January 11, 2024 at Hawthorn Glen Nursing Center. Paul graduated from Hamilton High School, class of 1959. He also earned his Bachelor of Science Degree from Miami University, and his Master's Degree in Education from Xavier University. On June 15, 1963, Paul married Sherry (Waer) in Hamilton, Ohio. They were married for 60 years. In 1953, Paul played baseball in the first season of West Side Little League. During his time at Hamilton High School, he was involved in a variety of activities and sports. His main love was basketball. One game in particular, he played against Jerry Lucas and the Middletown Middies. This game was played at The Gardens in Cincinnati. HHS only lost by four points. In Paul's senior year, he was the last captain of the old Hamilton High basketball team, and helped his teammates to a win over Middletown. This win broke a long string of Middie wins over HHS which developed in the Lucas era. Paul loved the City of Hamilton, and dedicated over 38 years as an educator and administrator for the Hamilton City School District. Before becoming a teacher, Paul worked at Black-Clawson. In 1965, he started his career in education as a teacher. The years that he spent teaching he was at Harding Jr. High School, Miami Valley Institute of Technology, Taft High School, and Garfield Jr. High School. Later in his career, he was promoted to an administrator. Paul was an Assistant Principal and then Principal of Wilson Jr. High School, Adult Education Night

School Principal at Taft High School and Hamilton High School, an Associate Principal at Hamilton High School, and finally the Director of the Job Development Center at Hamilton High School. He coordinated many programs and courses for high school students at Miami University Hamilton Campus and D. Russel Lee Career Technology Center. He retired in 2003. Paul is survived by his wife, Sherry; daughter, Shelly (Jeff) Arnold; three grandchildren, Corey Arnold, Katie Arnold, and Leo Burkhardt; sister-in-law, Kristy (Jerry) Hayes; brother-in-law, Ray (Darlene) Waer; niece, Jennifer Short; plus many other loving relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents; son, Kevin P. Burkhardt; brother and sister-in-law, Russell (Dee) Burkhardt; and In-laws, Ray (Marian) Waer.

# Tribute Wall

JB

“ Paul Burkhardt.. Where do we start?  
He was a fantastic teacher at Hamilton Taft. He also dedicated time with the Hamilton Jaycees, asked me to be a monster at the Jaycees Haunted House which was an unforgettable fun experience.. Paul was also a co worker with my father before taking on his teaching career.  
Thank You Paul!

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**John Borzcik** - January 04 at 10:45 PM

CD

“ My condolences to his family and friends. He made a big impact on me. I decided to take Geometry for advanced credit in summer school. Trying to understand a year of Geometry in six weeks was a nightmare. Mr. Burkhardt had such patience with me. The rest of the class was repeating Geometry, so I know I slowed things down. Mr. Burkhardt never made me rush or feel bad about my progress. He really cared. I thought of him often when I taught 7th grade Math for two years. I wanted to be a patient and kind teacher like he was.

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**Cheryl (Rush) Deavers** - January 29, 2025 at 12:59 AM

SR

“ I am sorry to see that Mr. Burkhardt has passed away. He was my favorite math teacher at Wilson and I hated math! He had so much patience. I am glad he lived a well deserved full and long life. Will always remember him.

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**Stephanie Rocco** - January 29, 2024 at 06:55 PM

MG

“ Mary G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paul E. Burkhardt.

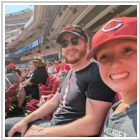
Mary G. - January 24, 2024 at 11:46 AM



“ Full Heart was purchased for the family of Paul E. Burkhardt.



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“ Mr. Burkhardt was one of my favorite teachers. He also asked a few of us to volunteer at the Jaycess haunted mansion. He made Algebra II bearable!

Jeff Houghton - January 22, 2024 at 10:54 AM

AC

“ Mr Burkhardt was my teacher and my neighbor. I babysat his children and I enjoyed his family. My condolences to his loved ones.

Anne Elberfeld Cole - January 21, 2024 at 09:05 PM

MC

“ Paul was a excellent teacher and a even better man. My sincere condolences to his family on their loss.

mike cavalieri - January 21, 2024 at 02:37 AM

TC

“ Mr Burkhardt was a really great teacher and such a nice man. Math was not my strong suit and he explained concepts in such a way that I gained confidence in my math skills. My heartfelt condolences to his family and all who loved him. -Teresa Cecere Cline

Teresa Cecere Cline - January 20, 2024 at 04:41 PM



“ Mr Burkhardt was my favorite teacher at Taft. I took his class in geometry and algebra. He was one of the nicest and friendliest teachers ever. We called him Burky in our class

Lana Compton - January 20, 2024 at 04:15 PM

FD

“ From Ray and Darlene planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paul E. Burkhardt.

From Ray and Darlene - January 20, 2024 at 01:05 PM

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“ From Ray and Darlene purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Paul E. Burkhardt.



From Ray and Darlene - January 20, 2024 at 01:05 PM

CH

“ I met Paul at Hawthorn Glen where I work. He smiled a lot and always said he was doing great. Such a nice man and family.

carolyn hurst - January 19, 2024 at 10:40 AM

JM

“ *My sincerest prayers go out to the family of Mr Burkhardt. I met him as our Assistant Principal at Wilson jr High and at Hamilton High. He was always a very positive encouraging man and always had a smile on his face. He just had something about him that would encourage you to do what is right. I give thanks to God for the life of Mr Burkhardt.*

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**John Miller** - January 18, 2024 at 11:21 PM