



## Paul E. Bessette

February 3, 1947 - March 12, 2011

Paul E. Bessette, 64 of Litchfield, NH died Saturday March 12, 2011 at his residence.

He was born February 3, 1947 in New Bedford, MA, son of Marjorie (Kelley) Bessette of New Bedford, MA and the late Eugene Bessette.

He was the husband of Carol (Columbus) Bessette of Litchfield.

Paul retired from Verizon in 2003 following 34 years of dedicated employment. He was a Vietnam Army Veteran who was a member of American Legion Post 48 Hudson and a Lifetime Member of the VFW Hudson Post 5791. Paul was an avid golfer and salt water fisherman who enjoyed throwing horseshoes and shooting pool. His greatest enjoyment came when spending time with his family, especially his daughter Amanda and his granddaughter Skyla Ann.

Besides his loving wife Carol and mother Marjorie, survivors include a daughter Amanda Bessette of Litchfield, a Son and a daughter in law Michael and Katherine Bessette of Weymouth, MA. Four grandchildren Skyla Ann, Andrew, Zachary, and Nathan. A brother and a sister in law Wayne and Patricia Bessette of Tampa, FL. Two sisters and a brother in law, Doreen Benedetti of New Bedford, MA, Christine and Rick Brown of Fairhaven, MA. A father in law William Columbus, two brothers in law Bill Columbus and his

significant other Colleen Jessen, and Michael Columbus all of New Port Richey, FL. A sister in law Amy Maciulewicz and her husband George of Rincon, GA. Elizabeth O'Brien, who was loved like a sister to Paul, and her husband Bill. As well as many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Visiting Hours will be held on Wed. March 16th from 3pm -6:30pm in the DUMONT-SULLIVAN FUNERAL HOME, 370 MAIN ST. IN NASHUA. A Prayer service will begin at 6:30pm in the funeral home. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations be made in Paul's loving memory to Wounded Warrior Project, 7020 AC Skinner Pkwy, Suite 100, Jacksonville, FL 32256.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR **16.** 3:00 PM - 6:30 PM (ET)

Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Home Nashua, NH  
370 Main Street  
Nashua, NH

# Tribute Wall



“ Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Paul E. Bessette



Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes - March 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Paul E. Bessette

October 06, 2023 at 08:13 AM



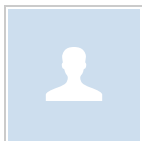
“ Paul E. Bessette

September 27, 2023 at 04:05 AM



“ I went to tons of links berfoe this, what was I thinking?##imported-begin##Aileen##imported-end##

July 31, 2011 at 05:38 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and the family.##imported-begin##Nancy Fournier##imported-end##

March 19, 2011 at 05:52 PM



“ Carol, Amanda, and Skyler

*I'm so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you all. Please let me know if there is anything I can do for you.*

*Love, Patti, Danielle, and Crystal###imported-begin###Patti Bourque###imported-end###*

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March 18, 2011 at 12:50 PM



“ Chris, Amanda, and Skyla: *I wish you peace with the passing of Paul. Know that he is at peace also. After 40 years, I can still say Paul was a beautiful man-tough as nails-strong as an ox, and a smile that could take your cares away. Let your wonderful memories take away the pain that you have in your heart. We will all miss him. Lean on your family and friends. And remember he will "NEVER BE GONE HE IS JUST AWAY". I love you. CathyMUG###imported-begin###Cathy Tripp Ice###imported-end###*

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March 18, 2011 at 12:38 PM



“ *Sorry for your loss. If you need anything we are here. Love you.###imported-begin###Joyce and Joe Medeiros ###imported-end###*

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March 17, 2011 at 05:18 PM



“ *We've only met you once Carol, but any sister of Bill's is like a sister to us. We're very sorry to hear of Paul's passing and wish to express our sympathy to you and your daughter and all your extended family.###imported-begin###Rob & Sunny Charlebois###imported-end###*

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March 17, 2011 at 04:52 PM



“ *It will be the little things  
that you will remember,  
the quiet moments,  
the smiles, the laughter.  
And although it may seem  
hard right now,  
it will be the memories  
of these little things  
that help bring the smiles  
back again.*

*May God bless you  
as friends comfort you,  
faith will uphold you,  
and loving memories  
will help you smile again.*

*With Sincerest Sympathy*

*Wendy Worth##imported-begin##Wendy-Sue Worth##imported-  
end##*

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March 17, 2011 at 06:43 AM



“ when I first met Paul at Bell Atlantic he was sitting in the break room reading the paper, not saying much, quiet compared to the crew...at first. Once I got to know him he was quite the opposite. paul enjoyed laughter, pranks, golf, fishing and beer with the guys. His coworkers respected him and regarded his opinion as a union employee and later as a manager with verizon.the easy smile and laughing eyes were always present . he had a no-stress attitude in a high stress atmosphere. his presence will be terribly missed. Carol , Amanda, Skyla, Michael ,Majorie and the rest of Pauls' family , I am so sorry for your loss and ours also. Remember all the great happy times thats what I plan on thinking about.##imported-begin##thom fraser##imported-end##

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March 16, 2011 at 08:12 PM



“ GOD SPEED MR. BESSETTE.....##imported-begin##Judy Chaput##imported-end##

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March 16, 2011 at 08:12 PM



“ Uncle Paul, I will always love you and hold the memories of our times together close to my heart. You will be deeply missed. My heartfelt condolences to Auntie Carol, Amanda and Skyla, I love you guys!##imported-begin##Katie Bessette##imported-end##

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March 16, 2011 at 08:10 PM



“ Carol,  
My thoughts and prayers are with you and Amanda.

Mary##imported-begin##Mary (Cates) Lefebvre##imported-end##

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March 16, 2011 at 01:47 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with You##imported-begin##Yves & France Tardif##imported-end##

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March 16, 2011 at 12:41 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayer are with you all. May all the good memories of Paul live forever in your heart. Paul will be missed by many.##imported-begin##michelle & Jim Koehler##imported-end##

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March 16, 2011 at 09:35 AM



“ Dad,

*I am shocked and deeply saddened by your passing. I have many emotions that I am trying to deal with, but the most obvious is one of deep regret. Regret that I was not part of your life in later years. Regret that I didn't reach out to you more. Regret that I was never able to express to you what you really meant to me. You are my father, and there is so much about me that reminds me of that.*

*I just want you to know that part of you is living on through me. The things that you introduced me to are some of the favorite parts of my life now. From my lifelong interest in classic cars, right down to the type of music that I still enjoy today. These are the things that helped shape me as a person and I am forever grateful to you for that.*

*I will be the first to admit that I think we shared a common trait of stubbornness. It did not define us, but I think it kept us apart. I wish I had the strength to change that when I had the opportunity to. Instead, I will never get that chance.*

*I choose now to go back to the time that we spent together and cherish those memories. The car shows. The summer trips to Lake Winnepesaukee. The endless games of basketball in your driveway, fishing trips, and so on. When I took your grandson Zachary to a vintage car show over the summer, with the 60's music blaring in the background, the first thing I thought of was you, and the times when we used to do the same things. These are the moments I will choose to remember. Not the regret that I feel in my heart.*

*We will all miss you. I love you.##imported-begin##Michael##imported-end##*

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March 16, 2011 at 08:01 AM



“ Carol, my deepest sympathy. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.##imported-begin##Sharon and Michelle##imported-end##

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March 16, 2011 at 07:59 AM



“ Carol -  
I was so sad to hear about Paul. I will keep you in my prayers.  
  
Love,  
Brenda##imported-begin##Brenda Goodnow##imported-end##

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March 15, 2011 at 09:54 PM



“ When Amy and I got married in 1993, I admired Paul because he took care of his family and loved them so much! I am sad that he is not here physically, but know that spiritually he is with Carol, Amanda and Skyla, who he loves so much! His beautiful granddaughter, Skyla, will hear many stories of her Grampy and will know what a good person he was!##imported-begin##George Maciulewicz##imported-end##

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March 15, 2011 at 05:33 PM



“ Uncle Paul, we Love you and wish you peace on your new journey. You will be missed by all of us. Love, Ang, Billy, Ben and Avery  
¢¾##imported-begin##Angela Benedetti Deneault##imported-end##

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March 15, 2011 at 05:31 PM



“ Dearest Carol, Amanda, and sweet Skyla and the rest of Paul 's family.  
I never met Paul but I feel like I knew him. He has to be someone extra special for you to love him so. Please remember that the St Frances Quilters are here for all of you. Just say the word and we'll be there. If you need one or many of us, just ask. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Lynne###imported-begin###Lynne Lansing###imported-end##

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March 15, 2011 at 04:25 PM



“ I will miss seeing Paul's happy face and friendly attitude everytime I saw him at the VFW or Legion. He will be soley missed by everyone who knew him. My sincere condolences to his wife, his children, grandchildren, other family members.###imported-begin###Shelley Larkin###imported-end##

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March 15, 2011 at 02:52 PM



“ Dearest Carol and Family;  
Although I only met Paul once, it was a lasting visit. Just a wonderful family man and very loving.  
Carol, Please accept my families condolance for the passing of a great man.  
I remember the times we had at your home having wonderful luncheons and chatting with other Verizon retirees.  
I'm now living just outside of Dallas TX but miss everyone at home.  
Lots of love,  
Georgette Houle###imported-begin###Georgette Houle###imported-end##

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March 15, 2011 at 02:09 PM



“ We are born, grow, and pass on. Along the journey we make friends, meet people and leave memories. I know you have done that well. I came to know you at the Telephone Company and was proud to have known you. It was a great ride. Bless you...  
###imported-begin###David P Campbell###imported-end###

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March 15, 2011 at 01:30 PM



“ Carol & family,  
We just heard about Paul and cannot express enough our deep sadness for you folks. Paul was a wonderful "Telephone Man" and a good friend. He will be greatly missed by all who knew this kig and gentle man.  
Our sympathies,  
Betty & Wayne Hackett###imported-begin###Betty & wayne Hackett###imported-end###

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March 15, 2011 at 10:25 AM



“ I will always remeber Paul as a reliable, fair and honorable man to work with. I really enjoyed riding in his big Ford truck reviewing jobs I had written and fixing my mistakes. He was a great friend and breakfast companion. I am sadden that he was taken way before his time. Another veteran that came home...to give his life for his country.  
###imported-begin###Izzy Flores###imported-end###

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March 15, 2011 at 09:52 AM



“ I just heard and in shock. I will always remember monsieur bessette...playing pool with him at the VFW and the endless laughs and incredible insight he gave and shared. I am terribly sorry for your loss Paul is a wonderful man and will surely be missed. I am so sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Leigh Ann Zdon##imported-end##

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March 15, 2011 at 09:30 AM



“ Carol, Amanda and family, my heartfelt sympathy for your loss. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time.##imported-begin##Johanne Van Rossum##imported-end##

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March 15, 2011 at 09:11 AM



“ Carol, Amanda and family,  
My deepest sympathy to you and your family. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. I am so sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Nancy Pelczarski##imported-end##

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March 15, 2011 at 09:04 AM



“ Carol, Amanda & Family,  
We are so sad to hear of Paul's death. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time. Even though we didn't spend a ton of time together we are thankful for the memories we have.

Nick, Jane and family##imported-begin##Jane Zingaro##imported-end##

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March 15, 2011 at 05:52 AM



“ my daddy may have been a man of very few words, but he had a heart of gold. he never turned his back on anyone an was always there for me the second i needed him. he may have thought i didnt understand him but i think i understood him better then anyone. i treasure every moment and every memory i have ever had with him because his smile could ease your pain and his eyes were sincere. i would give anything for one more hug or one more sunday morning drive, but i know he will forever be my angel and continue to watch over me an my baby girl. -- daddy you were the strongest person i have ever met in my life and i will miss you every second of everyday but your spirit will live on in my heart. I Love You Daddy So Very Very Much###imported-begin##Amanda###imported-end##

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March 14, 2011 at 11:02 PM



“ We may not have spent much time together over the past few years, however the time that we did share were always good times and will always be special to us. May you rest in peace and may your family find the strength to remember mostly the good times.

Love to all,  
Bill & elizabeth###imported-begin##Elizabeth & Bill###imported-end##

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March 14, 2011 at 08:45 PM



“ Paul was a quiet, gentle man whose warm smile and bright blue eyes we will miss greatly. Love to Carol, Amanda and Skyla, Lisa and Paul###imported-begin##Lisa Benedetti###imported-end##

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March 14, 2011 at 07:10 PM



“ *What moves through us is a silence, a quiet sadness, a longing for one more day, one more word, one more touch. We may not understand why you left this earth so soon, or why you left before we were ready to say good-bye, but little by little, we begin to remember not just that you died, but that you lived! And that your life gave us such wonderful memories to keep. I will always love and remember my brother, Paul. Love, Christine##imported-begin##Christine##imported-end##*

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March 14, 2011 at 06:56 PM