



## Paul J. Kotowski

February 20, 2020

Paul J Kotowski was born October 1, 1939. He died on Feb. 20, 2020 at his home in Foster at age 80. He grew up in Warren Rhode Island with his parents, Aura and Joseph, and sister, Virginia.

Paul was a serious child and throughout his life he held himself and others to a high standard. His elementary school art teacher recognized his artistic talent, and after high school he attended the Rhode Island School of Design (RISD) where he pursued his interest in architecture. He then went on to graduate from the Rhode Island School of Radio and Electronics and became an engineer at a local radio station.

Paul served two years in the army during the Vietnam Era.

Paul was employed at Hasbro Industries where he worked for 17 years as a Design Engineer, and where he also met his wife, Charlotte.

Paul's interest were many. He was always interested in computers and he even built one, electronic gadgets, and cutting edge technology.

He loved nature, gardening, raising fish, hiking, and all cats and bunnies that needed a home.

Paul is survived by his wife, Charlotte, his sister, Virginia and her husband Nelson; nephew, Kevin (Tara) Smith; niece, Beverly (Keith) McRae--both of whom benefited from their ever interesting uncle.

Charlotte's children, Debra Snyder, David Snyder and Charlotte's granddaughter, Rayna MacDonald-Snyder. Paul really enjoyed taking Rayna on family excursions, vacations, and most of all hiking.

Paul is predeceased by his parents, Joseph Frank and Aura J. (Dion) Kotowski.

# Tribute Wall



“ I met Paul back in 1984 when I started at Hasbro.....he was an incredibly gifted mechanism designer/engineer and produced so many fantastic products while my wife Carla, and I worked at Hasbro. I was so sorry to JUST today, hear that Paul had passed.....our condolences to Charlotte and we hope that she has continued on, knowing that he waits for her.....

Steve Reiss

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Steven Reiss - December 17, 2020 at 11:59 AM

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“ I first met Paul in 1974 in the model shop at Hasbro. My first project with Paul was the Weebles treasure island. I was just starting in the industry and Paul was like a mentor to me. Paul was not just a coworker, but a close friend. I will miss him dearly.

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Ken Brook - August 05, 2020 at 05:57 PM

LH

“ My Dear childhood friend Paul Kotowski has passed and i will miss his dry humor and our long conversations. I hope he is completely at rest in a time from that will allow me to see him once again once I depart.

Love is a strange word for paul it was stated as such but just the way he treated me was a verification that he love me as his friend. It was 9n a way Paul that set me on a path to learn about myself when I was a young man and I will say unequivocally that he was an important factor in saving my life by giving me good advise. Thank you Paul and I know the end is near and I hope to see you on the other side after this rehearsal.

Loving regards to all left behind.

Larry

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**Laurence T. Huddon** - March 05, 2020 at 11:38 PM

GS

“ Paul (and Charlotte) was so kind to me and my wife Pat - newlyweds just starting out and far from home. We sailed on his beloved Frisco Flyer (which I later purchased from him) many many times on Narraganset Bay, and we both loved the quiet conversations.



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**Gary Smith** - February 28, 2020 at 05:27 PM