



## Leonard Paul Withers

April 15, 2026

Leonard Paul Withers passed away peacefully at his home April 15, 2026. During the last phase of Paul's life his goal was to enjoy his honest friends and pass in the comfort of his home. He achieved his goal.

Paul is survived by his sisters Linda Ann Kish of Bulger, PA., Marie Teresa Jurich of Georgetown, PA., Nina Marie Hale of Winchester, VA., and brother Robert Withers of Ruther Glen, VA.

In his youth Paul was not interested in high school but was very interested in automobiles and found work. Shortly thereafter he was drafted into the U. S. Army where he honorably served his country in Vietnam. Paul received the normal ribbons for service plus the South Vietnamese Commendation with the Star of Valor.

Returning to Woodbridge, Paul worked as an auto mechanic, married, bought a house,

built a drag strip racer, divorced, and found an interest in transmissions. Paul created a

transmission rebuild business that worked for several gear jammers while working in depth

on first generation Camaros. He developed an encyclopedic knowledge of both.

Paul developed friendship and kinship with many smart, knowledgeable, down to earth

folks of good character and humor.

On behalf of my brother Paul, I offer his goodbye and salute of honor to Skip Watkins, Brian

Donahue, Mick Musgrove, Donnie Wolf, Mike Sheppard, Betty Melvin, Jamie Proctor,

Ronnie Simpkins, Mike Murphy, Eric Smith, Stevie Trumpower, Wes Ady and so many more

# Tribute Wall

GM

“ Paul you were one of a kind my friend and mentor.. having met you as an 12 year old kid when my brother moved in two houses away from you and knowing you for decades afterwards..your attention to detail on the Mustang you were building at the time caught my eye.. and will never forget your anecdotes about people, life and racing..isn't goodbye..it's see ya later my friend..

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**Gordon Moore** - May 08 at 12:47 PM

BR

“ We've known Paul since we moved into the neighborhood 30 years ago. Sure will miss him. This photo was in happier times probably close to 10 years ago. He loved that lady. ( Barb ) rest in peace Paul.



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**Brenda** - April 27 at 09:55 AM

NM

“ Paul, we will ALWAYS keep the memories in our hearts of your wonderful laugh, your sense of humor and the honest way you lived life! Love You Brother,  
Katydid & Johnny

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**Nina Marie** - April 24 at 02:15 PM

MM

“ A true American and respected hero of his friends in Woodbridge  
.GBNF

Michael Musgrove - April 24 at 12:13 PM

SW

“ The Paul Withers we knew was a one-of-a-kind friend. We didn't have to lavish praise for everyday kindnesses shared between us. We respected and cared for each other. That was easy with a friend like Paul.

Paul never refused to help his friends when it came to under-the-hood mechanics. He was known to work magic when it came to transmissions.

Paul will be missed by all of us who called him friend.

Skip and Mary Ann Watkins



Skip and Mary Ann Watkins - April 24 at 11:55 AM

EM

“ I remember as a kid at Nina's Christy and I waited until you fell asleep and we painted your finger nails. RIP Paul

Erin Mccollin - April 23 at 10:28 PM

JP

“ I will always remember the times we spent laughing but I will miss visiting you Uncle Paul RIP



Jamie Proctor - April 23 at 09:25 PM

LW

“ Paul, I will always remember you as **THE GREATEST MECHANIC** ever, I have shared stories about you taking Daddy's cars apart, much to Mom's dismay. You **ALWAYS** had them running better than ever before Daddy's ship came in!!! I love you and know you did it your way. ❤️👍. Say hi to Mom and Daddy

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**linda Withers** - April 23 at 01:33 PM