



## Paul Davis

September 3, 1950 - March 18, 2026

Paul Bryant Davis, age 75, of Ashland City, Tennessee, died Wednesday, March 18, 2026, at Vanderbilt University Medical Center in Nashville.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at 3:00PM, on Saturday, March 28, 2026 at Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Pleasant View with Bill "Willy" Orange officiating.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home, Saturday from 1:00PM until the time of service at 3:00PM.

Mr. Paul was born on September 3, 1950, in Ashland City, to the late Andrew & Irene Bryant Davis. He was a retired teacher who taught science at Cheatham County Central High School for many years. He was also the Director at the Tennessee Department of Labor Lab and an educator at Corrections Corporation of America. His volunteer service included Youth Chairman of Junior Civitan International, creator and Director of Tennessee Special Olympics Cheatham County, and Santa Claus for the Ashland City Christmas Parade. He was raised and served at Simpkins Chapel United Methodist Church and was a longtime preacher and pastor for Beech Grove Church.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his brother, Andrew

“Sonny” Davis; and sister, Brenda June Davis.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Debra Davis; daughters, Melissa Davis-Schafer (Josh) and Jennifer Pike (Paul); brothers, David Davis and Steve Davis; sister, Patricia Adcock (Andy); grandchildren, Carly, Joey, Stephen, and Cooper Pike; daughter by heart, Amy Pereira; several loving nieces & nephews; and his beloved cats, Oliver & Gracie.

If so desired, memorial contributions may be made in Mr. Paul’s memory to: St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tennessee 38105-9959 or the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) by calling (800) 628-0028.

AUSTIN & BELL FUNERAL HOME in Pleasant View is in charge of these arrangements. 6316 Highway 41A, Pleasant View, Tennessee 37146 (615) 746-4433 [www.austinandbell.com](http://www.austinandbell.com)

# Tribute Wall



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Austin & Bell Funeral Home - March 26 at 05:46 PM

JN

“ I am so very sorry to hear of Paul's passing. My memories of co-teaching with him in that single large room in the science pod at CCHS and activities with him are most cherished. RIP Paul.

Jack Norris - March 22 at 10:56 AM

DT

“ I went to school with Paul and my memories were that he was so very smart and he was always kind and happy. I pray his family will find peace and comfort knowing he is at rest.

Deaurelle Thomas - March 19 at 09:31 PM

PR

Paul was a kind, joyful young man in highschool and as Deaurelle commented Paul was an intelligent man

Patsy Nicholson Rippetoe - March 19 at 10:12 PM

RV

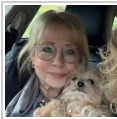
*Mr Davis was one of my very favorite teachers! I was in his Chemistry class at CCHS when he first started teaching. He made learning fun. I am so sorry to hear of his passing.*

**Rita Rorie Vann** - March 20 at 01:42 AM

EG

*One of my favorite teacher's, so sorry for your family's loss..*

**Elise Gray** - March 20 at 12:39 PM



*I too went to High School with Paul, I remember him as one of those quietly brilliant people—kind, friendly, and always easy and pleasant to be around. Even though our paths didn't cross after high school, it doesn't surprise me that he became a teacher, he certainly had the heart for it.*

**Kathy White** - March 21 at 06:13 PM

PN

*Paul's wife Debbie, is one of my closest friends. We have known each other 43 years. Paul always made you feel very much at home. We would all 3 get together for dinner around my birthday and Christmas and exchange gifts. He would never let me pay. That was Paul. So so caring. He loved Debbie so much they were inseparable. They went everywhere together and he was the best husband and love of her life. I love you Debbie and I will always be here for you. ☐☐☐*

**Prudence Neely** - March 24 at 07:05 PM