



Paul Hillel Chandler

October 11, 1940 - December 26, 2025

It is with deep sadness that we inform you of the passing of Paul Hillel Chandler of Falls Church, Virginia, at the age of 85.

The second child and only son of Abram Joseph Chandler and Sarah Borden, Paul was born and raised a Red Sox fan in Boston, MA. After graduating from Northeastern University with a B.A. in Mathematics, he moved to the Northern Virginia suburbs of Washington, DC, where he met, and nine months later, married his beloved wife Charlotte in 1966.

After his freshman year at Northeastern, in 1959, he began what became a 40+ year career in the computer industry. After spending the majority of his career supporting various U.S. federal government agencies, his last stop was as a federal employee at the US Patent and Trademarks Office. When he retired from PTO, a trademark was registered in his honor for his service.

That trademark reads, in part, "For professional services rendered to meet the needs of numerous friends, colleagues and customers, namely rendering friendly and accurate advice; being personable and gracious; having a pleasant disposition, treating all colleagues with respect and consideration."

Throughout his life, he emphasized the importance of his family, friends, and the Jewish community. He valued kindness, respect, thoughtfulness,

challenging assumptions, and being open minded to differing points of view.

A life-long sports fan, not only of the Red Sox, but also the Bruins and Celtics, he imparted on all who cared to listen to the greatness of Ted Williams, Bill Russell, Bobby Orr, and Red Auerbach. A teller of stories, factoids and opinions, he listened and engaged rather than just spouting his knowledge and opinions. Though you may have had to listen to his favorite stories more than once.

He also loved spending time outside at various points in his life horseback riding, skiing, playing golf, hiking, and camping. He and Charlotte travelled across the U.S. and internationally many times. He could relate almost any situation in life to one of his favorite TV shows or films, especially Cheers. His love of music spanned the genres of Rock and Roll, Country, Blues, Soul, and Classical.

He was an active member of Temple Rodef Shalom and served in multiple roles as a volunteer there. After his retirement, he volunteered once a week for both the Jewish Federation of Washington and the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum.

Paul is survived by his devoted wife of over 59 years Charlotte; his older sister Seena Goldman, his two children Jimmy (Nicole) and Judy (Michael); and his grandchild Hadley. Paul will be sorely missed by all, and held closely in our hearts.

A funeral service will be held 12:00 PM, Tuesday, December 30, 2025 at Temple Rodef Shalom, 2100 Westmoreland St., Falls Church, VA 22043. For those who cannot attend in person, the service will be available via streaming at www.templerodefshalom.org/live.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations are to be made to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, <https://www.ushmm.org>.

Cemetery Details

King David Memorial Gardens

Falls Church, VA

Previous Events

Funeral Service

DEC **30**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Temple Rodef Shalom
2100 Westmoreland Street
Falls Church, VA 22043

Tribute Wall

EM

“ Paul was a very loyal friend in high school. While we went our separate ways, I was fortunate enough to reconnect with him during our professional years and retirement. Paul was always a motive force in pulling us together well after most of our gang had run low on energy. He was a good reminder, always, in the real value of friendship. I miss him greatly.

Earl Morse - January 04 at 11:38 AM

BG

“ Paul and I grew up together in Dorchester, Mass., and went to school together from kindergarten thru our sophomore year of high school when I moved. We reconnected at Northeastern Univ. and stayed in touch with each other since then. Paul was the oldest friend I had and a great friend. We last spoke at the end of October, spoke of the Red Sox and old times together. Paul was always a real Mench, true friend and an overall good man. He will be missed by everybody that knew him. My sincere condolences to his family.

Bob Gurwitch - December 29, 2025 at 09:42 AM

JS

“ My husband Blaine and I met Paul and Charlotte at the Balsams ski resort quite a few years ago. We enjoyed skiing and socializing with them..May Paul rest in peace and condolences to Charlotte and the rest of his family! Judy and Blaine Stickney

Judith Stickney - December 28, 2025 at 04:21 PM

CH

“ Paul loved his family. He made many friend's in Trademarks and left a lasting impression. He shared his knowledge of technology and finance with others. He spoke often of his loving family, especially his wonderful wife Charlotte. His life was full and he shared how much he enjoyed giving time to his faith as he volunteered. We often debated about various subjects and he was always open to what others thought. May his family be filled with peace.



Charlene - December 28, 2025 at 01:32 PM

CH

I was fortunate to meet Paul through Golf. Over time I gave Paul several golf lessons. The lessons were always more than golf. I loved listening to his many stories about a multitude of topics. I was deeply saddened to receive the sad news of Paul's passing. May he rest in peace. Condolences to his family and friends. Jimmy my best to you and the family. Clint Hannah 703 855 0280

Clinton R Hannah - December 31, 2025 at 07:39 PM