
Paul Andersen



ANDERSEN, Paul Ralph Smith, 76, of Tampa, was born September 8, 1934, in

Sandusky, Ohio, and passed

away at his home May 19, 2011, with his loving family by his side, due to complications from chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. Paul was a resident of Tampa since 1945. He graduated from Jefferson High School, proudly served in the [U.S. Navy](#) and was a retired [firefighter](#) with the City of Tampa. He was preceded in death by his father, Paul Clifford Smith; his much loved stepfather, Peter Andersen; and much loved mother, Vernice Boldt Andersen. He is survived by his high school sweetheart and wife of 54 years, Frances Pardo Andersen; daughter, Denice Moreda (Joe); son, Keith Paul Andersen (Valeria); daughter, Kim Arena (Andrew); six grand-children, Ashley, Ryan, Danielle, Jillian, Meghan and Jacqueline; sister, Ebba Godwin (Hale); brothers, Carl (Gail), Dennis (Becky) and Chris (Laura) Andersen; and all his nieces and nephews. He was a member of Northwest Optimist and Civitans. He had a passion for athletics and coaching his children and grandchildren. He enjoyed fishing, hunting and painting. A memorial Mass will take place at noon Monday, May 23, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, 1711 E. 11th Ave., with the family receiving friends 11 a.m. -noon at the church. The family would like to thank LifePath Hospice, Coral Team, for all their care and compassion in this time of need. A special thanks to Dr. Alan Iezzi and Dr. D.J. Reina. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to LifePath Hospice, Coral Team, 3010 W. Azeele St., Tampa, FL 33609, in memory of Paul. Please send online condolences to www.jgrfuneralhome.com.

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