



Paul Eugene Shrader, 84, of Overland Park, Kansas, passed peacefully into the arms of Jesus on Friday, December 9, 2022. Upon his passing, His wife Barbara was at his side holding his hand as he quietly went to glory. He was surrounded by his family in the hours leading up to his passing. They were privileged to be able to tell him again how much they all loved him.

Paul was born in Kansas City, Kansas on December 2, 1938. He was born near the end of the Great Depression and grew up during World War II and the nifty fifties. He had a lot of fun in town and in the country playing around and doing chores with his brother, cousins, and friends. In high school he played football and basketball and enjoyed playing his trombone in band. We're certain he just never got a speeding ticket racing from Wyandotte to Johnson County to see his sweetheart, Barbara

Sue. As a father, his boys could always count on him, from playing a pick-up game of basketball to helping them with projects in their own homes, teaching them along the way. His legacy has continued down to his grandchildren who also have benefited from his example.

Paul was a gentle giant of a man who was faithful to his God, family, church, and friends. Faithfulness seemed to be the one resounding character quality that all echoed when thinking back on his life. He married his high school sweetheart, Barbara, on December 27, 1958. He was a member of Olivet Baptist Church for 60 years, serving in many capacities including deacon and trombone player in the ensemble. He worked at Kansas Gas Company for 38 years. He was blessed with 25 years of retirement and was able to travel and play golf to his heart's content. He was a beloved husband, father, father-in-law, grandpa, coach, handyman, and all-around dependable and good guy who will be missed deeply by all who knew and loved him.

He is preceded in death by his parents Homer and Emily Shrader as well as a multitude of family and friends who are rejoicing at his homecoming.

Paul is survived by his wife of 63 years, Barbara Denny Shrader; sons Doug (Tracy) Shrader, Jeff (Terri) Shrader; grandchildren; Amanda (Chad) Hackler, Joshua (Elsa) Shrader, Kyle (Alycia) Shrader, Jonathan (Sarah) Shrader, Abigail (Samuel) Franklin, Shannon (Travis) Plueger; and great-grandchildren Shyann, Harrison, Gunner, Colton, Levi, Isaac, Jonah, Evelyn, and Charlee, brother Gary (Connie) Shrader; sister-in-law Connie Miller; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

