



Paul Richard Pennington

September 7, 1930 - April 15, 2026

Paul Richard Pennington, 95, passed away on Wednesday, April 15, 2026.

Paul was born on September 7, 1930, in Bloomington, Indiana, to Jerry Pennington and Anna Mae (Vaught) Pennington. He completed the sixth grade before entering the workforce—a decision that shaped a lifetime defined by determination, resilience, and an unwavering work ethic.

From a young age, Paul held various jobs in sawmills and later dedicated 22 years to working at a stone mill. A true jack of all trades, he was known not only for his skill and versatility but also for his candid, outspoken nature. He often said, “I don’t have a need for somebody who don’t wanna work,” a philosophy he lived by every day, continuing to work until the age of 92.

Paul’s interests were as varied as his talents, ranging from excavation and logging to simply being a loyal friend. Excavation, in particular, brought him great joy—he would often remark, “Some might call it work; I call it fun.”

Though his hands were calloused from years of labor, they were gentle when it came to his family. Paul found his greatest happiness in being a grandfather, a role that brought out his softer side and deep affection.

He is survived by his daughters, Paula Pennington- Robertson and Patti (Collins) Powell (Roger Powell); his grandchildren, Troy Lindsey, Candice Mireless, and Joe Lindsey; and his four great-grandchildren, Hayden Lindsey, Cameron Lindsey, Drevin Mireless, and Kameron Lindsey. He also leaves behind his close friends, Jerold and Virginia Jackson. Paul was preceded in death by his first wife Hattie Hampton, his second wife Vandetta “Van”

Pennington, as well as his parents.

Visitation will be held at Allen Funeral Home in Bloomington, Indiana, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on April 22, 2026, with a service to follow at 1:00 p.m.

Paul will be laid to rest at Knightridge Cemetery following the service.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Paul's honor to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Paul will be remembered for his strong work ethic, his honesty, and the enduring example he set for those who knew and loved him.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **22**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory
4155 S. Old State Road 37
Bloomington, IN 47401
(812) 824-5905
<http://www.allencares.com>

Funeral Service

APR **22**. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Burial

APR **22**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Knightridge Cemetery
Knightridge Rd
Bloomington, IN 47401

Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Paul Richard Pennington.*



April 20 at 03:48 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Paul Richard Pennington.*



April 20 at 03:02 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Paul will surely be missed.*

Wanda Vaught - April 18 at 03:41 PM