

## In Memory of Paul Rosenbaum (1952 - 2017)

Crescentia DeGoede  
January 5, 2018



Name: Paul Rosenbaum

Spouse: Michele

Children: Joshua, Raïssa, Korey, Jacob

Birth Date: February 20, 1952

Blessing Date: July 1, 1982

Ascension Date: December 30, 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Our beloved brother, Paul Laurence Rosenbaum, from the New Hope Church community in Maryland, ascended to the Spirit World peacefully in his sleep on Saturday, December 30, 2017. Paul met our True Parents and joined the Unification Church 44 years ago, in December of 1973. Throughout the years, Paul remained involved and always worked and volunteered to support God's Providence. His great passion was always for the arts. A passion he bequeathed to his four children.

In recent years, Paul struggled with multiple health and personal issues, but despite his challenges, he remained faithful and committed, and never wavered in his love of God and True Parents.

Paul is survived by his wife Michele and his children Joshua, Raïssa, Korey, and Jacob.

Let us join together and support Paul's family, and pray for his victorious transition to a glorious new life in the spiritual world near our True Father in Heaven.

Following is Paul's biography and information about his Seonghwa Ceremony from his pastor, Rev. Jim Boothby.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ki Hoon Kim  
Regional Chairman

Rev. Richard Buessing  
President

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Paul Laurence Rosenbaum was born in Manhattan, New York on February 20, 1952.

Paul spent his childhood living with his parents, Richard and Muriel and his sisters, Lisa and Margaret, in Flushing, Queens. As a young boy, Paul enjoyed attending movies, adding to his record collection, and attending sleep-away camp every summer.

From a very young age, Paul's passion for art was apparent. As a teen, he applied and was accepted into the prestigious Fiorello H. LaGuardia High School of Music & Art and Performing Arts in the upper west side of Manhattan, New York. Paul cherished his time spent at LaGuardia, a school that has nurtured and graduated many well-known artistic talents.

Upon graduating from high school, Paul left New York to attend the Philadelphia College of Art (formally PCA, currently the University of the Arts) where he studied drawing and Photography. Paul also spent a semester at the Rhode Island School of Design (RISD) where he took a class taught by photographer Harry Callahan. In 1971, he received a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Photography from PCA.

In 1973, Paul was introduced to the Unification Church by his spiritual father, Andre Herring, who was from Holland. They met in front of the New York Public Library. Paul officially joined the Church at Belvedere on December 10, 1973.

In his early years with the church, Paul joined a mobile fundraising team (MFT) that traveled in Texas and throughout the Bible Belt. On MFT, Paul became well known for getting good results by virtue of his great communication skills and lively personality.

Paul was attending the Unification Theological Seminary (UTS) when he was matched with Michele Griva on May 13, 1979. They were Blessed in marriage at Madison Square Garden in 1982. After UTS, Paul juggled various jobs, missions, and responsibilities. He worked with CAUSA in Newport News and in Norfolk, VA, where his wife Michele joined him in 1985.

In 1986, Paul and Michele moved to Maryland, where Paul worked for World & I magazine until late 1990, when he went to Russia on a 40-day mission. After his return from Russia, Paul engaged in several occupations. His main dream, though, was to establish a "New World Renaissance" of art. He also worked extensively with the Jewish Family Federation from 2003-2005.

Paul was always interested in helping out the many providential activities of the church. He volunteered and worked at large conferences, often helping with driving, which is something he loved to do. Most recently, Paul was interested and excited to help initiate a community Music and Arts festival in Baltimore City for underprivileged, but highly talented children with a vision to provide hope and create peace through the arts.

Paul is the proud and loving father of four children, Joshua (b. 1986), Raïssa (b. 1992), Korey (b. 1994), and Jacob (b. 1997). Paul passed his love and talent for the arts onto his children, who are all artists themselves. He was most proud of his children for continuing his legacy of love and his passion for the arts into everything that they do. Through this, he will never be forgotten.

### **Seonghwa Ceremony**

A Seonghwa Memorial Service will take place on Saturday, January 6, at 11:00 AM, followed by a reception and light lunch at the New Hope Family Church at 4801-M Tesla Dr, Melford Complex, Bowie MD 20715

### **Condolences and Donations:**

To offer condolences and support the family with the funeral costs, please visit this link: [In Loving Memory of Paul Rosenbaum](#)

Cards and donations are also welcome to Michele Rosenbaum at 9429 Woodsong Court, Laurel, MD 20723.

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Date: Saturday, January 6

Location: New Hope Family Church: 4801-M Tesla Dr, Melford Complex, Bowie MD 20715