



## Paul Carlton Josephson

March 8, 1946 - October 13, 2023

A funeral mass for Paul Carlton Josephson, 77, of Tyler, will be held on Friday, October 20, 2023, at 10:30 a.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception with Father Hank Lanik officiating under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home.

Mr. Josephson passed away Friday, October 13, 2023. He was born March 8, 1946, in New Britain, Connecticut, to Carlton Arthur Josephson and Gemma Aubin Josephson.

Paul was a member of The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. He graduated from Northeastern University and earned a Master of Arts from Webster University. Paul began his career in Lynn, Massachusetts, working for General Electric. He was transferred to Louisville, Kentucky, where he worked for 10 years in various positions before transferring to Tyler, Texas, in 1980, where he worked as purchasing manager for the central air conditioning division and corporate commodity team leader for several teams, notably steel, copper, and aluminum. Paul was active in the National Association of Purchasing Management, a greatly respected business barometer. Later, he became a coach in developing and mentoring supply chain personnel and retired from Ingersol Rand in 2009.

Paul was an active member of the Board of Goodwill of East Texas for 12

years. He held the positions of Secretary, Treasurer, Vice Chair, and Chair. He also served on the Executive Search Committee and as Finance Committee Chair.

Paul was loved by many and known for his witty sense of humor, his smile, and his love of family. He met and married the love of his life, Cyndy, on June 8, 1968. They raised two beautiful daughters whom they adored. Paul enjoyed coaching his girls in softball and golfing with his Oak Hurst 7:48 am Family, but most of all, he loved his wife, Cyndy. Paul was generous, caring, and always had a positive outlook, even during the most difficult times. He was always willing to help those in need and was thankful for his life and those in it until the day he died.

Paul is preceded in death by his parents, Carlton A. Josephson and Gemma A. Josephson.

He is survived by his loving family, including his wife, Cyndy of 55 years; daughter, Christine E. Runnels and husband Brian of Whitehouse, Texas; daughter, Jennifer J. Brush and husband Brad of Arlington, Texas; sister, Susan Chopus and husband Wayne of Southington, Connecticut; and his four amazing grandchildren, Nicholas Vandiver, John Carlton Vandiver, Ana Brush, and Isabel Brush.

Honorary Pallbearers are Wayne Chopus, Brad Brush, Brian Runnels, Tim Storm, Lou Napolitano, Nicholas Vandiver, and John Carlton Vandiver.

Rosary is scheduled at 5:30 p.m., followed by visitation from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 19, 2023, at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway in Tyler.

If desired, memorials may be made to Mary Crowley Cancer Research

Center, 12222 Merit Drive, Suite 1500, Dallas, Texas, 75251, or Goodwill of East Texas, 409 W. Locust Street, Tyler, Texas, 75702.

# Previous Events

## Rosary

OCT 19. 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home  
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy  
Tyler, TX 75703  
(903) 581-2008

## Visitation

OCT 19. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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## Funeral Mass

OCT 20. 10:30 AM (CT)

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception  
423 S. Broadway  
Tyler, TX 75702

# Tribute Wall



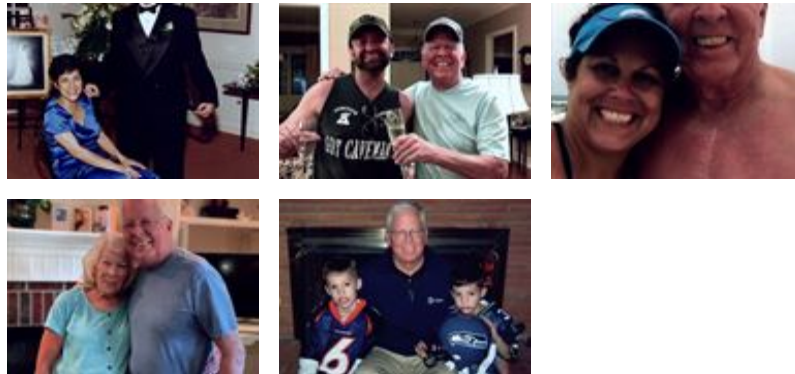
“ *Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Paul Carlton Josephson*



Stewart Family Funeral Home - October 19, 2023 at 04:09 PM



“ *90 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Stewart Family Funeral Home - October 19, 2023 at 04:09 PM



“ *Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Paul Carlton Josephson.*



October 19, 2023 at 12:17 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Paul Carlton Josephson.

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“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Paul Carlton Josephson.

October 19, 2023 at 10:20 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Paul Carlton Josephson.



October 19, 2023 at 10:20 AM



“ Clinton E. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paul Carlton Josephson.

Clinton E. - October 18, 2023 at 01:19 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paul Carlton Josephson.



October 17, 2023 at 11:38 PM

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“ Chris (Cyndy, Jenny, and all), I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your beloved Daddy. My memories of him all involve a jovial smile on his face, and his love for you all was palpable. He was an exemplary father; the type that we all wish to have as our own. My condolences to you and your family my dear friend.

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**Amy Stevens** - October 17, 2023 at 07:54 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album *Tribute Wall*



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**Sylvia D VanZandt** - October 17, 2023 at 06:55 PM

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*Edgar J. Helms Extra Mile Award- This person promotes the values of GIET and goes out of their way to help others, not necessarily associated with their job. Exhibits EXEMPLARY customer service internally and externally.*

*Paul Josephson, Goodwill Industries of East Texas Board Chairman, supported Goodwill for more than 12 years. He brought a talent to the organization that was vital to our transparency and sustainability. He took to heart that as a Board member, he had a responsibility to the community to be a good steward of the resources.*

*He served in every officer capacity on the Board during his six terms over the course of a 12-year period, having rolled off for the mandatory one year. He served on nearly every committee of the Board and in every officer role. He was always the first one to volunteer and commit his time, energy, and resources to the cause.*

*Paul was a clear-thinking leader who was not afraid to question the status quo. He readily accepted change for the good of the organization. He was an active leader, eager to learn and share more about the organization.*

*He invited several business leaders in the community to tour Goodwill as part of our Real Goodwill Awareness Campaign, designed to inform and engage business and community leaders in the mission of Goodwill and provide them with a "behind the scenes" look at our operation.*

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**Sylvia VanZandt** - October 18, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Paul Carlton Josephson.*



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October 16, 2023 at 09:19 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Paul Carlton Josephson.*



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October 16, 2023 at 07:48 PM



“ *Lou, Jim, Bart & Tim purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Paul Carlton Josephson.*



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**Lou, Jim, Bart & Tim** - October 16, 2023 at 03:55 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Paul Carlton Josephson.*



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October 16, 2023 at 08:10 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Paul Carlton Josephson.*

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October 16, 2023 at 07:29 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Paul Carlton Josephson.*

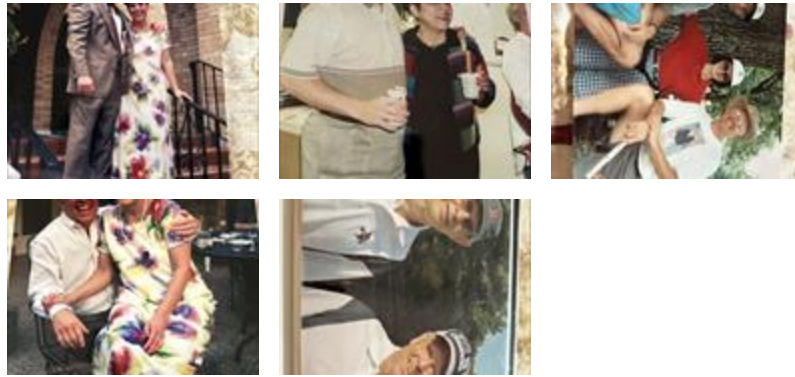


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October 16, 2023 at 07:29 AM



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**Joyce Napolitano** - October 15, 2023 at 05:54 PM



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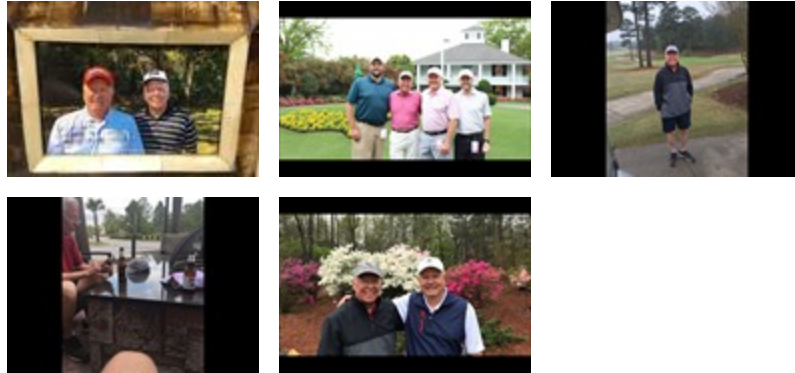


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**Joyce Napolitano** - October 15, 2023 at 05:50 PM

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“ 5 files added to the album Golf Memories



Tim Storm - October 15, 2023 at 09:41 AM



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October 13, 2023 at 10:28 PM



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