



Paul D Avery Jr.

October 25, 1970 - May 11, 2025

Paul D. Avery Jr., 54, of Enon, passed peacefully at home, surrounded by loved ones on Sunday, May 11, 2025, after a long battle with cancer. He was born on October 25, 1970, to Paul D. (Deborah) Avery Sr. and Emma (Spillman) (John) Risner, in Springfield, Ohio. Paul was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Yellow Springs and was an Enon Council member. He was employed by the State of Ohio for 30 years. Paul was an avid gamer and played as Grumpy69 with the AARP clan; he met many friends across the country playing COD. He loved shooting with friends, listening to music, eating good food, and spending time with his grandbabies. Paul had a larger than life personality, and would light up any room. He never knew a stranger and was always good for a bear hug. He always knew how to get the party started. He is preceded in death by: his maternal grandmother (Rita Spillman) and paternal grandmother (Ethel Speakman). He leaves behind to cherish his memory, his wife of 30 years; Donielle (Shepherd) Avery, two daughters; Talyne (Bodey) Hupp, Kierstyn (Caleb) Keys, three grandchildren Lapis, Enzo, Dawson (DB), three sisters; Rita (Richard) Risner, Lisa (Shawn) Jones, and Tralisha (Shawn) Vesco, one brother; Jamie (Melissa) Risner, in-laws; Don and Teri Shepherd, several nieces; Tiffany, Taylor, Micha, Misty, Emma, Jennifer, Kyelee, Jade, Annaleigh, Zoei, nephews; Eddie, Josh, Tucker, Kyler, Brently, Levi, Landry, and dear friends. Adkins Funeral Home, in Enon will be assisting Paul's family with his final wishes. A visitation will be held at the funeral home on Thursday, May 15, 2025, from 4:00-7:00 PM. A Funeral

service will be conducted on Friday, May 16, 2025, at the funeral home, at 11:00 AM, followed by burial at Enon Cemetery. Paul asks that you dress comfortably and wear your favorite sports or video game shirt for the viewing and funeral. In lieu of flowers, the family asks for you to kindly consider making a donation in Paul's name to Soin Cancer Center <https://ketteringhealth.org/give/kettering-health-foundation/give-today/>

www.adkinsfunerals.com

Cemetery Details

Enon Cemetery

6013 Dayton Springfield Rd
Springfield, OH 45502
(937) 864-2881

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 15. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Adkins Funeral Home
7055 Dayton Road
Enon, OH 45323
(937) 864-2288

Funeral Service

MAY 16. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

SL

“ I was one of the nurses who took care of Paul at the cancer center. We bonded over our shared roots, and I always enjoyed talking to him when he came in. His smiling face and boisterous personality will be missed. Thinking of your family during this difficult time.

Susan L - May 21, 2025 at 07:20 PM

AV

“ Spent many a time with Paul working from the Clarke County ODOT Garage. Shared many good Italian recipes, fresh tomatoes and garden vegetables in the summer months. We would joke a little when he was filing reports. His co-worker, Small Paul and I could never seem to outdo him. My heartfelt prayers go out to his family.

A Fred Vogel - May 19, 2025 at 01:41 PM

CA

“ I remember Paul well from Shawnee High School. A dear friend of mine had a crush on him, so we'd often find ourselves conveniently near his locker or lunch table! He seemed quiet, intelligent, and kind, and I never heard anyone say a negative word about him. I'm sorry to learn that he's gone so young, although heartened that he enjoyed a large, adoring family and a career that was meaningful to him. Paul and his family and friends will be in my thoughts; please take care of yourselves, it may be the most loving thing you can do in his honor.

Carrie - May 16, 2025 at 02:21 PM

PD

“ Paul and Stephanie Dasilva purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Paul D Avery Jr..



Paul and Stephanie Dasilva - May 15, 2025 at 01:01 PM

CS

“ Cortney S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paul D Avery Jr..

Cortney S. - May 15, 2025 at 08:24 AM

AR

“ I remember Paul from Shawnee. I was class of 1988. So sorry to hear of his passing. Prayers to his family and friends.

Amy Ray - May 14, 2025 at 08:54 PM

SC

“ I'll miss you so much buddy. Your humor and jokes got me through a lot of days. I am so glad to have known you, and I feel like I knew your whole family through the stories you shared of them. I know you loved them so much from how much you talked about them. Avery family, know that you WILL have a guardian angel in Paul. He was an angel on earth just as he will be in heaven. He is already missed so much by so many.
Hugs and love from a coworker,
Stephani

Stephani Clevenger-Murphy - May 14, 2025 at 01:03 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Paul D Avery Jr..*



May 14, 2025 at 07:42 AM



“ *i was a custodian at enon elem where i met paul at and he always talked very nice and pleasant to me. we became good friends and i enjoyed know him too.
i am so sorry about his passing and we used to talk to each other on facebook and will remember him in years tocome,may you rest in peace brother and i will say a prayer for you and our family too. /G\
your friend, Jordan (Buck)*

Jordan Ashley - May 13, 2025 at 05:24 PM



“ *Catherine L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paul D Avery Jr..*

Catherine L. - May 13, 2025 at 11:52 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Paul D Avery Jr..*



May 13, 2025 at 11:17 AM

LR

“ I grew up with Paul and his sister's Rita and Lisa when they lived on Hilltop and I lived on Karr St. I am so sorry for your loss. I will keep your family in my thoughts and prayers 🙏



Lori L Robinson - May 13, 2025 at 11:02 AM

MS

“ My daughters Lori and Wendy Neumann attended high school with Paul. Then Paul and my daughters went to Clark State where I worked. I got to know Paul better as he was always dropping in to my office at Clark State visiting with me or my girls. One weekend we were planning a camping trip when Paul said he had never went camping. We invited him to go with us. We all had a great time tent camping and tromping the hills around Lake Hope outside of McArthur, Ohio. I shall always recall that weekend as I was the only adult with a group of excited young people. We had a great experience. I shall never forget Paul's mischievous smile whenever he stopped into my office. May he rest in peace and may all hurting hearts find peace and comfort.

Mary Jo Shingler - May 13, 2025 at 10:28 AM

TA

“ I miss you, dad ❤️ please watch over us



Talyne - May 13, 2025 at 10:17 AM



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

May 13, 2025 at 10:17 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Paul D Avery Jr..



May 13, 2025 at 10:08 AM



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“ Paul was always ready to greet with a smile & story-his genuine spirit is reflected in his family! Prayers & hugs of comfort as your many memories together hold your hearts.

A Cooper - May 13, 2025 at 09:50 AM



“ Tad R. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Paul D Avery Jr..



Tad R. - May 12, 2025 at 04:20 PM

TR

“ *Tad R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paul D. Avery Sr..*

Tad R. - May 12, 2025 at 04:20 PM