



Paul Edward Sangster

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Paul Edward Sangster Obituary in his own words: "Well, it looks like I didn't get very far on this. I have in mind, (and it changes as time passes) to inform those who remain of some of the details of how I got to this point. So here goes."

"I was born in Washington DC, June 14, 1939, at Columbia Hospital for Women to Leona and George Sangster. My mother always claimed that because I was a boy, I had to be discharged at this place was only for women."

"We moved from Arlington, VA to Springfield, IL, in 1946, where I attended grade school at Hay-Edwards and Springfield High School. There, I was a member of the National Honor Society and lettered in basketball and football. I spent my freshman year at Kansas State College (now KSU) where I aspired to be a Division I basketball player, but alas, I discovered that I was either too slow or too short, or maybe both. I majored in Mechanical Engineering, and was on the Honor Roll that year. I should have become a scholar, but I wanted to be a basketball player, so I transferred to the University of Michigan, where football was King, and basketball was an afterthought. I majored in Chemistry. Then, due to a severe near fatal asthma attack, I moved to Tucson, Arizona, where, after graduation, I taught High School Algebra and Science for one year. It was at this time that I developed a desire to learn more and increase my chances for a more lucrative job, so I attended Graduate School, majoring in Chemistry, specializing in Biochemistry. As part of the duties, (I was paid \$2400/year as a graduate student), I taught classes in basic Chemistry for nurses and Home Economics majors."

"After getting a Masters Degree, I found a job in Philadelphia at Hahnemann Hospital working as Director of the Clinical Lab, Chemistry Section, over about 15 ladies and two men. I also taught a course in Chemistry at Glassboro State College in New Jersey. While there, it became apparent to me that the person making the most money and having the most fun was the Pathologist, so I applied to Medical School. I



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returned to Tucson and there managed to do well enough to receive the honor of Alpha Omega Alpha Honorary Medical Society. From there, I did an internship in surgery in San Diego, and returned to Tucson to do a Radiology Residency."

"I was privileged to obtain a job in Flagstaff with Northern Arizona Radiology, which turned out to be a wonderful experience, meeting many interesting people. While working there, I met the love of my life, Sandie Shaum McKenzie, who had three wonderful children. We combined my precious son, Jonathan, with Dena, Jarrod and Todd and had as fine a family as God ever saw on this earth".

"I was President of the Coconino County Medical Society."

"I am survived by my wonderful wife, Sandie, and the four children, Dena (Kraig), Jarrod (Liz), Todd (Jessica), Jonathan and ten grandchildren, and one great grandson being given his middle name after me, and two sisters, Jakky Sangster and Dinah (John) Sutherland."

"Paul Edward Sangster went home into the presence of his Savior September 30, 2025. Paul lived his life committed to Jesus Christ and his Family. He has preceded us to everlasting life in Heaven, waiting for all who put their faith in the Savior as the only way to our Heavenly Father."

At my request, I asked Paul to summarize his life not wanting to miss his many accomplishments. We want to share with everyone as many of you will hear his humor and thoughtfulness throughout. Till We Meet Again, Loved Forever, Sandie.

"For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8:38-39.




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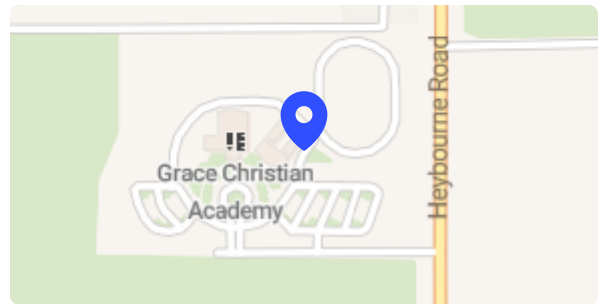
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Funeral Service

 **Saturday**, November 1, 2025

 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM PT

 **Grace Community Church**
2320 Heybourne Road, Minden NV 89423

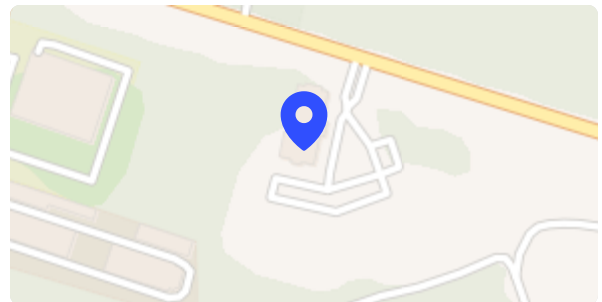


Funeral Service

 **Saturday**, December 6, 2025

 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM PT

 **Grace Church**
4295 West Route 66, Flagstaff AZ 86001





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SB

Sharon Barton posted:

I enjoyed learning from you and working with you for most of my 29 years at FMC. You were always calm, telling it like it was, a great teacher and a wonderful person. Hugs and prayers for Sandie and your family.

November 13 at 5:25 PM

RG

Rose Gonzalez posted:

Paul was a huge presence, with his loud, thundering voice and sweet disposition. I was always impressed by his intellect and sincerity. He had a great love for his wife and kids, but mostly his love for his savior. See you on the other side. sincerely, Rose Gonzalez

October 31 at 10:08 AM

KW

Kenneth Wise posted:

I worked with you for most of my 30 years at FMC. You were always easy going almost never got upset about work. It always hurts to hear someone has passed that I've known so long. It helps knowing your a Christian and are now in Heaven with Jesus Christ. My prayers are for Sandie and family.

October 23 at 5:08 AM



Gerald Cohn November 7 at 2:13 PM

we communicated on a regular basis exchanging thoughts and ideas. I will miss our political & philosophical discussions. Gerald Cohn, U.S. Judge

SS

Sandie Sangster October 27 at 4:52 PM

Thank you Ken Those were special years! Paul enjoyed working with you



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PK

Patti Kopf posted:

When I was first hired at the hospital, I heard your voice, met you and worked with you. I knew I never wanted to disappoint you. I also was a little afraid of you till one day, I looked at you and said " your just a big ole grumble bear like my father". I loved working side by side with you. I remember you telling some of your life stories. We both had a soft spot for turtles and other little creatures. I will see you again in the kingdom of God.

October 22 at 2:17 PM

RR

Robert Runnels November 18 at 3:36 AM

I remember Paul from SHS as tall Paul. He was smart, outgoing and determined to be successful in whatever he pursued. My condolences to the family. Bob Runnels

SL

Sandra Belyea Lachenauer November 9 at 9:21 AM

I was a fellow student along with Paul at SHS in Springfield, Illinois. But I am afraid that I met his mother at Dubois Grade School the year before. I suspect Paul told you about the Babbo Casserole his mother ate? I was not involved but my friends were. Paul was the nicest young boy I knew so I am sure he was the same in later life. I saw him at our reunions and reconnected lately on Face Book. I am divestated! 🙏

LM

Londra Hayes Mead November 8 at 5:39 AM

Paul and I were friends in high school but never stayed in touch after that. So sorry to hear about his passing. Will keep him and his family in my prayers. Londra Hayes Mead

SS

Sandie Sangster October 27 at 4:54 PM

Yes he was a big teddy bear, Remember the Grizzly Adam story? Paul had very special memories while working with you! Thank you, Sandie



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Paul by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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