



Paul Hornung

December 23, 1935 - November 13, 2020

Paul Vernon Hornung, one of the all-time great college and pro football players from the 1950s and 60s, passed away Friday, November 13, 2020 in his hometown of Louisville, Kentucky, at age 84, after a long battle with dementia.

Hornung is survived by his wife of 41 years, Angela Hornung.

Upon retirement from football, Hornung resumed a successful real estate and investment career and was an entrepreneur. Paul loved his hometown, his friends, and his fans.

Due to COVID restrictions, there will be a private funeral mass at St. Louis Bertrand Church in Louisville, followed by a private burial in Cave Hill Cemetery. A public celebration of his life will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Norton Sports Health Athletics and Learning Complex via the Louisville Urban League, 1535 West Broadway, Louisville, Ky., 40203; or the Sister Visitor Center via Catholic Charities of Louisville, 2911 South Fourth Street, Louisville, Ky., 40208.

Owen Funeral Home-Jeffersontown entrusted with arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Cave Hill Cemetery

Tribute Wall

JB

“ Paul was in a class by himself ! Always great to his many fans !

John Butera - November 19, 2020 at 08:31 PM

TR

“ I was a Freshman at ND when Paul was a Senior. My father was a GM in the Canadian Football League. He wanted me to try and talk Paul into playing in the CFL, even though we both knew it was a very long shot! I went to his dorm room, to make a pitch, and that is how we met. He didn't go to the CFL! In later years after he had become a Packer star and I had become an NFL broadcaster with CBS Sports, our paths crossed again. He was a fun guy to be around, high energy and friendly to all his fans. I would see him occasionally in New York or other sports events I was covering like big boxing matches. Two "Domers" enjoying our good fortune.

We all miss him, my condolences go to Angela and all of the members of his family.

Tim Ryan

Tim Ryan - November 16, 2020 at 07:52 PM

HP

“ Harry Page lit a candle in memory of Paul Hornung



Harry Page - November 16, 2020 at 02:29 PM

DS

“ My apartment was next to Paul's at Sunrise of Louisville. We spent a great deal of time together just talking about all things. His smile was beautiful, as were his eyes. He love everyone and gladly talked, listened and even walked with us at times. Thank the Lord for letting us know and be with Paul Hornung in this lifetime. May he have marvelous happiness in heaven now. Dr. Mozelle Sherman

Dr. Mozelle Sherman - November 15, 2020 at 01:29 PM

RM

“ I remember as a kid watching the Green Bay v. Detroit game on Thanksgiving in the early 1960s in the lobby of my uncle's motel in Olean, NY. I loved watching Paul Hornung play the game! I am sending my condolences to Paul and his family. He was the best runner inside the 20 yard line ever!! Randall Meidenbauer, Buffalo, NY.

Randall Meidenbauer - November 14, 2020 at 06:22 PM

MW

“ When I was a child my parents owned a florist to make ends meet, my father taught and coached football at Flaget. When football practices were held after school,my mom would sometimes run a sack lunch/ dinner to my dad at practice. One day she took a bagged lunch to him and noticed this young blonde curly head boy at practice. She told my dad”you are wasting your time with that boy over there with those curls, he'll never be a football player!” Well of course that curly head boy was Paul Hournug. My Mom 93 still laughs at this. We cheered on #5 for many years . God bless, Martha Brotzge Weinert

martha weinert - November 14, 2020 at 04:09 PM

J6

I was at notre dame from 54 on while paul was there, and after a succession of all american quarterbacks from bertelli to lujack to williams to guglielmi you would think a newcomer like him would take a back seat for awhile..not so..he was brash, bold and bigger than life, had an entourage of guys and gals wherever he went AND went to class, got good grades and took care of his friends.

Legend has it that he insisted that his friend from Louisville, sherill sipes be given a scholarship as a they were buddies..combination of geo. Gipp and Jim Thorpe..jnm

John moreland, b.d. 58, 61 - November 15, 2020 at 09:45 PM

EP

I was at a party that he was at! Also at the party was Bob Allison of the Minnesota Twins and Fuzzy Thurston of the Packers! This was a very small party with only about 14 people! A fun evening in Minneapolis!

Eunice Peterson - July 13, 2022 at 08:27 AM