



Paul Eugene Conlan

November 9, 1949 - April 8, 2013

Mr. Paul E. Conlan died on Monday, April 8 from complications following a brain aneurysm on December 27, 2012.

Paul, the only child of Mr. Eugene Conlan and Mrs. Erna "Sue" Conlan, was born in Miami, Florida on November 9, 1949.

He attended the Georgia Institute of Technology and in 1971 received a degree in aerospace engineering. While living in Atlanta, Paul met Susan Donald. In 1980 they married and over the next eight years their family grew with the arrival of a daughter, followed by two sons. Paul and Susan moved their family to Newnan in 1993.

In 1995 Paul started East Point based energy consulting business, Enercom, Inc.

He was an avid backpacker and was active in the Boy Scouts of America in Newnan. Here he also rekindled his love of photography, which he turned into another business, fstopblues.com. He participated in a number of photography groups in the Atlanta-Metropolitan area and was instrumental in helping plan the annual Slow Exposures show.

He is survived by his wife, Susan, sons, David and Daniel, daughter, Martha Williams, son-in-law, Jason Williams, and grandson, Lane. A loving father, grandfather, and friend, Paul is dearly missed.

There will be a visitation at McKoon Funeral Home Wednesday evening from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. A memorial service will be at Central Baptist Church at 11:00 AM on Thursday, April 11, 2013 with Dr. Joel E. Richardson officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to The Boy Scouts of America or

Slow Exposures P.O. Box 489 Zebulon, GA 30295. Online condolences may be expressed at www.mckoon.com.

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory (770) 253-4580

Cemetery Details

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38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
(770) 253-4580
care@mckoon.com
<http://www.mckoon.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 10. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Service

APR 11. 11:00 AM (ET)

Central Baptist Church
14 West Broad St.
Newnan, GA 30264

Tribute Wall

LM

“ My deepest sympathy is extended to the Conlan family. Paul was a valued partner through Hometown Connections. But most of all, I considered him a dear friend. His passing has left a great void in my heart.

Lisa Miller - April 16, 2013 at 11:01 AM

PD

“ Sadly, I've only now learned of Paul's passing and am heartbroken. We met in 1991 as business colleagues but became friends in short order. Despite our Canon/Nikon rivalry, we found common ground in the Lumix point and shoot cameras and in a shared love of the Varsity. We met there all too infrequently to talk of energy, photography and related gadgets. He had a marvelously deft sense of irony and humor with a hearty laugh to match. His grace under pressure was a benchmark for all; but his photography inspired awe. Fstopblues is a wonderful legacy, but he was so in love with Susan and so proud of his children. That is thememory that will shine on.

Phil Davis - April 14, 2013 at 10:06 PM

NM

“ Dearest Susan and family, I am so very sorry to hear about Paul and am saddened for your loss of husband and best friend. Please lean on God, family and friends.

Nora Maloy - April 12, 2013 at 09:47 PM

MN

“ I was saddened to see Paul's obit. I knew Paul like most everyone else, through photography. Only for the past several years though. Paul was awesome and I will miss him. Please accept my condolences.

Marc Nunes - April 11, 2013 at 08:39 PM

AS

“ I am one of the nurses that took care of Paul when he was first hospitalized. It was a joy to care for him and witness the love that always surrounded him, especially from his dear wife Susan. I didn't have the opportunity to spend much time with David or Daniel, but I enjoyed sharing nursing stories with Martha. My prayers and condolences to the whole family, you lost a great man. May God bless you all.

Anita Sanchez - April 11, 2013 at 08:38 PM

DS

“ Susan and family: I'm so sad to hear of Paul's passing. He has been a great work associate through Hometown Connections and he will be dearly missed. I so enjoyed spending time with both of you during the summer meetings. I always enjoyed hearing about your adventures and seeing Paul's beautiful photography. I wish you and your family love and peace as you send Paul off on his next journey.
Debra

Debra Scarbo - April 11, 2013 at 12:09 PM

LD

“ Susan, Martha, David and Daniel, Praying that God will hold you close and give you strength. With Many Prayers and Deepest Sympathy, Rob, Lisa, Leanne & Connor Dunn

Lisa Dunn - April 10, 2013 at 11:34 PM

CP

“ For over 20 years I have worked with Paul and who has been an amazing boss over 15 of those years. I am also proud and honored to call him a very dear friend. It has been my upmost pleasure working under his leadership and guidance ~ a great mentor in business and in photography. He always enjoyed showing his latest shots especially of his family and his precious grandson Lane. Paul you will be greatly missed by so many. We will always have our long standing GA Tech / Clemson wager and I will continue to wear my GT shirt for you when GA Tech beats Clemson! Susan, David, Martha, Daniel, Jason and Lane, you are all in my thoughts and prayers. Cynthia Pavey

Cynthia Pavey - April 10, 2013 at 12:25 PM

CS

“ Paul Conlan personified all that it means to be a gentleman. Clothed in humility, his good deeds spoke volumes to those around him. He never verbalized to me that he was a Christian but it was no surprise to learn this fact as the fruits of the Holy Spirit were evident in his daily life. His Godly walk and his award winning talent have left an indelible footprint in the Newnan and the photography community. He will be missed so very much. My deepest sympathy to family and friends. Carla Cook Smith

Carla Cook Smith - April 10, 2013 at 11:36 AM

GP

“ Susan and family, we are praying for you all...We hope to see you when we are next in Newnan, or catch you sometime when you are up this way in Darlington County. God Bless, Catherine and Gerald Pate

Gerald & Catherine Pate - April 10, 2013 at 09:54 AM

NM

“ Dear Susan, Martha, David, and Daniel, It is with heavy heart that I write this message. Paul and I worked together on SlowExposures for so many years, and I was proud to feature him in South x Southeast photomagazine. Not only was he dedicated and professional, he could also be counted on for levity when the time was right. Paul always reminded us of what was really important in what we were doing, grounding us whenever necessary in a kind and funny way. He was a valued member of SlowExposures, a lovely friend to have, and someone I was proud to know. I will miss him very much. You and your family, of whom he spoke so often and with so much love and respect, are in my thoughts. Nancy McCrary

Nancy McCrary - April 10, 2013 at 09:50 AM

TB

“ Susan, it is with great sadness to learn of Paul's passing. He was a great partner to Hometown Connections. When Paul and I were together he spoke of you and his family as much or more than he did of work. While he had much to be proud of in his professional career, he was most proud of his family and photography. He will be missed. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family during this difficult time.

Tim Blodgett - April 10, 2013 at 09:38 AM

SA

“ Thinking of you. I know this is a hard time for all. Susan

susan adams - April 10, 2013 at 05:00 AM

SG

“ *Confident, intelligent, wise, knowing, gentle, understanding, benevolent, caring, a steady hand on the wheel...those words and thoughts flood through my mind when I reflect on the time I was so fortunate to work with him. A great mentor, a loving friend, devoted family man, and much admired colleague and business leader, Paul will be greatly missed but never forgotten for the impact he made on so many, including me. I loved his wry sense of humor and ability to make everyone laugh with something so simple as a hand gesture borrowed from the movies and a comment, "It's business..." He will live forever in the hearts and memories of those of us he touched.*

Susan Gilbert - April 09, 2013 at 10:39 PM

MT

“ *My sincere condolences to you Martha and the rest of the family. Paul was a very skilled photographer and a nice person, he will be missed.*

Michelle T - April 09, 2013 at 07:34 PM

DM

“ *Susan, Martha, David, and Daniel, I am so very sorry for your loss and all that your family has been through. It gives me great comfort to know that Paul was surrounded by the people he loved most. I was fortunate to have known Paul for 25 years and to have worked with him for 10 of those years. Paul was a very decent person and a supportive boss, and set the "high bar" in both respects. I am glad that we stayed in touch over the years and saw each other periodically at industry events but I truly regret not seeing him more. One thing I know for sure, whenever we connected he always filled me in on your family and spoke of each of you with consistent love and pride. I will always miss and never forget my friend and colleague Paul, who was also a great husband and father. Warm Regards, The Merchants (Daniel, Laura, Dan Jr, Chelsea, & Emily)*

Daniel Merchant - April 09, 2013 at 06:13 PM

SB

“ Susan, David, Daniel, and Martha - No one need tell you Paul was a remarkable man. You knew that during all the years you shared with him. But please let me just say from my heart that Paul was a wonderful example to others in loving, caring for, and being proud of his family. He was incredibly talented as an artist, and was genuinely interested in helping others develop their own talent. A rare man in business, he never sought nor took unfair advantage, and led by example, He clearly cared about those who worked for and with him -- and demonstrated it often. But, perhaps the most distinguishing characteristic about Paul was how he really lived and treated others on a day to day basis. Trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent. These weren't simply words to Paul; he lived it perhaps better than any other friend I've known. I and countless others will miss him greatly. Scott

Scott Babbitt - April 09, 2013 at 04:59 PM

PB

“ Paul was the consummate professional, very measured in his approach, yet he was personably warm and friendly. He was an accomplished photographer, with great vision and composition skills. With each image, a photographer reveals a little bit of their soul. Thank you Paul for sharing your images with us, helping us to see the beautiful, the amusing, the awe-inspiring, the simple pleasure too often overlooked, to see your wondrous soul.

Phil Bisesi - April 09, 2013 at 04:47 PM

MF

“ Susan and Family, Please accept my condolences. It is difficult to find right words to describe how sorry I am for your loss. I met Paul through Slowexposurs and he was not only a very talented photographer, great organizer, but also a good friend. He will be greatly missed. With deepest sympathy, Malgosia Florkowska

Malgosia Florkowska - April 09, 2013 at 04:37 PM

SV

“ Susan. We are so sorry for your loss. Paul has been a good friend of Hometown Connections for over a decade. During that time we came to know Paul as a caring, thoughtful and always professional gentleman. It was clear from our conversations over the years that he had a rich and rewarding life beyond the creation of Enercom, which in itself seemed like a labor of love. We will hold him dear in our thoughts always and wish you strength through these difficult times. Steve VanderMeer

Steve VanderMeer - April 09, 2013 at 04:29 PM

MM

“ Susan and family, So, so sorry for your loss. Paul was a great boss with a warm sense of humor and a very fine strategic mind. It takes a courageous person to start a company, and he did it with grace and strong leadership. I remember him first showing me fstopblues and I was blown away by his creative eye and composition. No wonder he was an award-winning photographer. May you find comfort in knowing he touched many, many lives and that he will be profoundly missed by many. In sympathy, Meg Matt

Meg Matt - April 09, 2013 at 03:44 PM