



## Paul M. Vernon

January 18, 1921 - February 28, 2010

Paul Morgan Vernon of Travelers Rest passed away at his home February 28, 2010 at the age of 89.

Born in Spartanburg County, he was the son of John Oeland Vernon and Sallie Morgan Vernon. Mr. Vernon was predeceased by his brothers John Jr., James, Hugh, Ernest, and Charles Vernon.

Mr. Vernon graduated from North Greenville College and attended Furman University prior to enlisting in the Army during World War II where he served in the Pacific. Mr. Vernon retired as the owner of Vernon's Drug Store which was a favorite meeting place for the community for 37 years. Mr. Vernon also served as a Greenville County Magistrate for 40 years. In 1990, he received the Order of the Palmetto as a Palmetto Gentleman, the highest honor bestowed by the governor for service to the state. Mr. Vernon was a former member of Travelers Rest First Baptist Church where he served as a deacon and a current member of Trinity Presbyterian Church where he served as an elder.

He is survived by Gladys Cannada Vernon, his wife of 68 years, a daughter Betty Vernon Carnes, sons John Oeland, III, Paul Morgan, Jr., and Perry David Vernon, grandchildren John Carnes, Ashley and Tara McFalls, Johnny, Jessica, and David Vernon and great-grand children Sam and Andi Carnes.

The family will receive friends Tuesday evening, March 2, from 5 to 6:30 PM at The Howze Mortuary.

Funeral Service will be held at 1 PM Wednesday, March 3, at the Trinity Presbyterian Church. Burial will follow at Grandview Memorial Gardens.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to Trinity Presbyterian Church building fund. [www.trinity-pcusa.org](http://www.trinity-pcusa.org)

Condolences may be expressed to the family by visiting [www.thehowzemortuary.com](http://www.thehowzemortuary.com). The Howze Mortuary, Travelers Rest, is in charge of the arrangements. (864) 834-8051

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 2. 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (ET)

The Howze Mortuary  
6714 State Park Rd./P.O. Box 369  
Travelers Rest, SC

## Service

MAR 3. 1:00 PM (ET)

Trinity Presbyterian Church  
405 Trailblazer Drive  
Travelers Rest, SC

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“ *Family,*

*So sorry about your loss and wish all of you the best, especially my friend Gladys.##imported-begin##Metz and Karen Robertson##imported-end##*

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March 09, 2010 at 12:55 AM



“ *John, Paul, Perry, and Mrs. Vernon,*

*I am sorry for your loss. I remember him as a quiet and gracious man who always made me feel welcome both in your home and the drugstore. May peace be with you.*

*Butch James##imported-begin##Robert (Butch) James##imported-end##*

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March 08, 2010 at 05:55 AM



“ *Gladys and family: I was so sorry to learn of Paul's passing. Woody and I have always valued your and Paul's friend. I know Paul will be missed by all and I can truly relate to the sadness you are feeling right now. Gladys remember Paul is with the Father and he and Woody are revisiting their time in college and Travelers Rest and we will see them soon some day. God is good and will hold your hands through this sad time. I love you all. Edna##imported-begin##Edna Pinson##imported-end##*

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March 06, 2010 at 01:52 PM



“ *The Vernon family has a very special place in our hearts. After Pat and I were married in 1959 by Uncle Woody Pinson at TRBC, we rented the little house behind Paul’s Mother’s house. Paul was a real friend to us. The Pinsons always spoke highly of the Vernons. We express our sincere love and condolences to each of you during this time in your lives. As we, I know that you are thankful for God’s Holy Spirit, our Comforter, who is always abiding in us and us in Him. That is an awesome promise from our Heavenly Father.##imported-begin##Jim & Pat Richey##imported-end##*

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March 04, 2010 at 01:06 PM



“ *I was so sorry to hear of Paul's passing and wish to express my loving thoughts and prayers to all the family members. I have such wonderful childhood memories while dad was the minister of Travelers Rest First Baptist and remember many times at Paul and Gladys's home with my parents and as a child playing with their kids in the neighborhood. God Bless you all and may our Father hold you up during this time of sadness. Anne Pinson Wyre, Orlando, FL##imported-begin##Anne PINSON Wyre##imported-end##*

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March 04, 2010 at 10:07 AM



“ *Perry, Mrs. Vernon & Family,  
I just wanted to express my condolences at the passing of Mr. Vernon. It's hard to imagine the loss you are all feeling at this time. I pray you feel the Lord's comfort and presence in your grief.*

*Love in Christ.##imported-begin##Dottie Dockery Rhoden##imported-end##*

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March 04, 2010 at 09:31 AM



“ so sorry to hear about your loss. I went to school with the boys and MRS GLADYS was my moms friend. WE recently lost my brother STEVE . Our thoughts and prayers are with you and yours. KATHY SKINNER RUBY SANE###imported-begin##KATHY SANE SKINNER RUBY SANE###imported-end##

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March 04, 2010 at 08:24 AM



“ So sorry for your loss. Vernon's Drug Store was a favorite "after school" stop for a cherry coke during my school years at T.Rest High(old school). Many good memories of the place, Mr. Vernon and T. Rest. Thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.###imported-begin##Jeannette Richardson McDonald###imported-end##

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March 03, 2010 at 02:57 PM



“ Please accept my sincere sympathy at your Dad's passing. The sadness from my my Mom's recent passing floats to the top as I read this sad event in your life. My thooughts and prayers are with you and your family.###imported-begin##MaryEllen Wilkinson###imported-end##

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March 03, 2010 at 11:21 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during these days of sadness.  
God's blessings on your families.###imported-begin##Esther and Jim King###imported-end##

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March 03, 2010 at 09:05 AM



“ Paul was one of my mintors I worked for him in the drug store while in High School. He was a very Kind and Helpful Person, and always had time to lisen and give advise he will be Missed.

Carroll & Bonnie Wyatt###imported-begin##Carroll Wyatt###imported-end##

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March 03, 2010 at 06:30 AM



“ I was sorry to hear of Paul's death. My father was JC Robinson, who was Paul's Constable. I did not learn of Paul's death in time to pay my respects by visiting during visitation hours. Please accept my sincere condolences, Paul was a fine gentleman and will be remembered fondly by my family and the community of Travelers Rest.###imported-begin##Pam Davis nee Robinson###imported-end##

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March 02, 2010 at 07:53 PM



“ John, to you, your Mother and the rest of the family, I send my heartfelt sympathy in the parting of your Dad in this life. I pray that The Lord will just lift you all up on wings of peace and love thru this time of sorrow.

Prayerfully,  
Margaret T. Gravely###imported-begin##Margaret T.  
Gravely###imported-end##

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March 02, 2010 at 05:01 PM



“ John, Betty, Paul, Perry, and Mrs. Vernon  
I am so so sorry for your lost. Mr. Paul was a wonderful man and  
you all should be so proud to have had him as your Dad and  
Husband. Please know that I truly know what you are going through  
and my prayers are with you all.  
I love you all,  
Sandy Smith###imported-begin##Sandy Smith###imported-end##

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March 02, 2010 at 12:36 PM



“ I have some very fond memories of Paul, as I am sure we all do. I  
will unfortunately be out of town Tuesday and Wednesday of this  
week. I send my heartfelt condolences and my prayers are with the  
entire family.###imported-begin##James W. Fowler###imported-  
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March 02, 2010 at 10:09 AM



“ We are sorry to hear of Paul's passing and wish to extent our heart-  
felt sympathy to the family. We enjoyed the friendship of 45 years  
ago and still remember. Our love, Ginger & Thomas  
Dixon###imported-begin##Ginger & Thomas Dixonb###imported-  
end##

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March 02, 2010 at 09:42 AM



“ Paul,

*My sympathy to you and your family on the loss of your father. I met your dad years ago when Mike and I paid you a visit at your parents home. I appreciated his hospitality.*

*Even though in our mind we understand and accept that death is a part of this life experience, our hearts don't want to let go.*

*My father and grandmother passed away at the end of last year and it's been rough.*

*I'm left with a greater appreciation of the blessings I have. I savor the time I spend with friends and family.*

*Sincerely,*

*Steve##imported-begin##Steve Crocker##imported-end##*

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March 02, 2010 at 09:16 AM