

Paul Passero passed away in Oshawa, Ontario on 30 Oct 95 at the age of 58. Better known to his close friends as 'WOP', Paul was very proud of his Italian heritage and would smile and say, "That stands for WONDERFUL ORGANIZED PEOPLE!!" He was born in 1938 at Fort Erie, Ontario and decided to join the Royal Canadian Navy in December 1957, serving aboard the Tribal Class Destroyers HMCS SIOUX and HMCS CRESCENT. Diving appealed to him so he qualified as a Ships Diver in 1961, eventually becoming a Clearance Diver in HMCS GRANBY at the French Cable Wharf(FCW) in 1963 at Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. We all recollect that he conducted Naval Diving Operations from the Arctic to the Caribbean, earning the respect of all his fellow Divers during his 23 years in the RCN. Paul served aboard Diving Tenders #6, #8, #11 and #12; at the Experimental Diving Unit at Toronto's Defence & Civil Institute of Environmental Medicine(1968 - 72); at FDU(A) as a Diving Instructor(1972 - 76); and at CFB BORDEN(1976 - 84) as an EOD Instructor.

PASSERO, Paul- at the Oshawa General Hospital on Monday October 30, 1995. Paul Passero, in his 58th year. Beloved husband of Gloria. Loving father of Paul James and his wife Deena, John and his wife Claudette and Tony. Lovingly remembered by his grandchildren P.J., Natalie Anne, Matthew, and Samantha. Brother-in-law of Faye Burkey. Loved by nieces and nephews Shelly and Art Grant, Pam Burkey, Arlene Burkey, Dan and Andrea Burkey, great-niece Katie and great-nephews Dillon and Daniel. Resting at the ARMSTRONG FUNERAL HOME, 124 King St. E., Oshawa with Funeral Service in the Chapel on Thursday November 2 at 3pm. Cremation. Memorial Donations to the Cancer Society would be appreciated. Visitation Wednesday 2-4 and 7-9pm. Interment of cremated remains will take place at Thornton Cemetery Saturday November 4 at 10am.



Paul also served with the Mobile/EOD Team and in the Diving Repair Service. As an EOD Instructor he taught both Civilian Police Forces and members of the Military community in the fine art and skills of Explosive Ordnance Disposal/Improvised Explosive Devices, thereby becoming a well-known figure within this specialized service all across Canada. Upon retiring from the Canadian Armed Forces in 1984 Paul continued in the diving profession as the Primary Instructor for the Canadian Underwater Training Centre in Toronto, where he trained many young people to become competent Commercial Divers. In 1989 he became

a Commissionaire with the Solicitor General's Office in Toronto, followed by a period with the Canadian Security Intelligence Service(CSIS) as the Transport Pool Supervisor. There was a large gathering(200 to 300 people) of friends from the Army, Navy, Air Force, RCMP, OPP and various other Police Forces, together with his relatives and other friends in Oshawa to commemorate Paul's life at his Oshawa wake. He is survived by his loving wife Gloria, and sons Paul(Deena), John(Claudette) and Tony. Paul touched many lives in his time with us and we all feel a profound sense of loss now that our good buddy is gone. Our condolence goes out to you and your family, Gloria.