

# Tributes Continue To Flow In Memory of Paul Chandler

Tributes continued to flow into The Observer office this week in memory of State Senator-elect Paul M. Chandler, publisher of



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DAWN RICE  
Redford Township,  
Clerk

this newspaper, who died Saturday, Dec. 12.

From ordinary readers and high officials, the messages paid tribute to Chandler's dedication in both the publishing and legislative fields.

The Observer staff and Paul's family, in sharing the messages of tribute, reprints part of them here.

A resolution was passed unanimously by the Redford Township Board Monday expressing its "condolences to the family of Paul M. Chandler" and "extolling his memory as our State Representative."

On Wednesday, the Livonia City Council passed the following resolution:

The following resolution was unanimously introduced, supported and adopted by the Council:

#897-64 WHEREAS, the Council has learned with profound regret of the sudden passing of PAUL MORTON CHANDLER, a member of the State Legislature, respected businessman and civic leader; and

WHEREAS, PAUL MORTON CHANDLER was an outstanding member of the State Legislature, participating in all phases of Livonia's civic, school, church and humanitarian activities, did much to insure a successful future of our community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council does hereby pay tribute to PAUL MORTON CHANDLER in recognition of his outstanding accomplishments, and does hereby record its bereavement upon the occasion of his untimely death.

Very truly yours,  
HARVEY W. MOELKE,  
Mayor

Dear Mrs. Chandler:  
The Plymouth Community Board of Education has asked me to express their deep sympathy for you at this time. We very much regret your husband's untimely death.

Paul Chandler will be sorely missed in the wide community he was so concerned with and which he served so well.

Sincerely yours,  
ESMER L. BULSING,  
Secretary,  
Board of Education

We sympathize with you at this time.

Sincerely,  
LYNN G. GILMORE,  
Executive Secretary,  
Livonia Educators Ass'n.

Resolution of the Livonia Board of Education regarding Paul M. Chandler.

WHEREAS, AS Representative Paul M. Chandler worked closely with this Board of Education, both in his newspaper work and on legislative matters; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education wishes to express its deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Representative Paul Chandler;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following resolution be adopted and communicated to the widow and family of Representative Chandler:

In the nearly ten years of his newspaper affiliation in Livonia, we have had long and close association with Paul M. Chandler personally and with his newspapers, and we have the greatest appreciation for the consistently high level of journalism which he practiced as a noble credit to his profession.

We always knew that he

would give careful and studious consideration to every proposal for the betterment of local and state-wide educational support and practices. During his term of office in Lansing, he demonstrated again his leadership in financial and educational matters, and also in many phases of his life.

He was a native of Michigan. He understood Michigan's problems and aspirations. The betterment of his home communities also became an ideal for him in every waking moment of his busy life.

The school systems of our area have lost a friend, and Michigan has lost an educational leader.

Dear Myra:

Words cannot tell you how sorry Hicks and I were to learn about Paul. I am sure that nothing anyone can say will really comfort you; but I want you to know that I was proud of his work and I was happy to call both of you friends.

Sincerely,  
MARTHA W. GRIFFITHS,  
Member of Congress

A few years back, the American Heritage Foundation pub-

lished a series of pictures with appropriate captions entitled "Faces of Freedom." This series included George Washington with the caption, "He took a new job and the world changed with it." Sam Adams — "Where he walked, freedom grew." John Hancock — "Freedom writes in a big, bold hand." John Paul Jones — "He talked independence in a 21-gun voice." Abraham Lincoln — "He was everybody, grown a little taller." Paul Revere — "He rode against injustice."

It concluded with one captioned, John Smith — "He answered the call" and it continued as follows:

Call him John Smith. The name doesn't matter. You've known him by many names and in many places. He was one of the men who answered the wild pounding On the door, that midnight of April 18, 1775, and spoke To the panting horseman whose name was Paul Revere.

"To arms!" cried Revere. "The British are coming! We're meeting on Lexington Green."

"I'll be there," said John Smith, for he always is. John Smith put on his clothes, and filled his pockets With the bullets his wife had moulded in the fireplace. He took the long musket down from the wall. He went to the cradle, and softly placed his hand on the Head of the little boy who was sleeping there. Then he took his wife in his

arms and kissed her.

"Be careful, John," said Mrs. Smith.

"Don't worry," said John. And he went out, with his Long farmer's stride, to keep his date with history.

Do you know John Smith now? He is every American in Every time and place, who knows that independence is The breath of life. He makes up his own mind . . . worships In his own way . . . stands on his own feet . . .

Paul Chandler was a real John Smith. Civic minded, politically active, educator, newspaperman, soldier, and whatever the need was at any point in time. Yes, Paul Chandler was a real John Smith and his face a real face of freedom.

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Dear Myra:

What shall I say to help ease your grief, while being a part of it?

I should say not life, not death, not things past, present, or to come can separate us from the love of God.

I am persuaded, instead, to ask that we come in and weep with you for our favorite editor, and my loved friend.

What shall I say to his girl-babe? What she sit up his eyes and heart?

What to his son? That he was an American first, a Republican second. By his own belly and ideals, he inspired others to stand up and be counted.

I should say time will temper your grief, knowing the days will not be long enough to erase it.

I could say, make friends with pain, but you already have, and find an inconstant friend who comes often in the guise of enemy.

I could say I want to help. This, I do, with all my heart. I am persuaded my whole Township is deprived of someone to run things, and to come forward when a "teacher is on the rack," a "good school board is in danger," a "search for adequate education is needed!" We are all bereft and this is the mark of the man.

So, how to help you, so much more in need. I do not know. I only know we want to, so reach out, my dear, and when we reach back, maybe the "how" will answer itself.

LILLIAN DOTY

Mr. George Kindred, Pres. Federation of Livonia Civic Associations  
14321 Arden  
Livonia, Michigan

Dear Mr. Kindred:

I received a suggestion from a family who has resided in Livonia for 49 years that the new senior high school be named for Paul Morton Chandler. This suggestion was made by

Dear Mrs. Chandler:

Your loss is a great loss to all of Livonia and Michigan.

As the days go on, Paul's reflection will continue to be seen by all who associated with him in my contacts with him in the past year. I always appreciated his straight-forward approach to problems and his ability to analyze situations.

Our professional association will certainly miss his support.

Editor:

Our thanks for the excellent cooperation on publicity you gave our flower show "The Enchantments of Christmas." Thanks to Jerry Wendt, too.

BETTY BROWN

Playwright Objects

EDITOR:

One of your statements regarding me (p. 1, "Forum" story, December 16, Farmington issue) is a gross exaggeration.

I am not a "prize winning playwright" though it is true I have won one minor prize in one minor contest.

As one who daily attempts to teach young writers the necessity of accurate reporting, I must speak out against your inaccuracy.

I have checked with the writer of the news release from which you took your information; indeed, the release had been read to me over the phone before it ever went to your office. And that statement was not in the copy.

You will not win readers in the Farmington area by this kind of journalism.

Lee S. Peel

Civil War Vet, Too

Editor:

The name of Alfred Noble has been proposed by several organizations as the name for our new high school and a brief summary of his accomplishment was recently published in The Observer. An important bit was omitted. Alfred Noble was born and raised in Livonia and his ancestors are buried in old Newburg Cemetery. He went off to the Civil War with Livonia's 24th Regiment.

I think it would be most appropriate to name our new high school after a native son who achieved such distinction in his profession.

MRS. ERNOLD NYMAN

Facts and Opinions

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electrifyingly current as this morning, if not five minutes ago.

If Christ was born even as long ago as two hours, the event has no dust nor fog upon it.

The acceptance has to be decided upon just about right now—as soon as when we're going to mail our late, late packages. Do we believe in Christmas, or is that ancient story, telling, an optional subject in the human curriculum.

Christ resisted violence in personal lives.

He didn't go any too much for lives bent upon putting two camels in every garage, a college education, a recreation room, and a tent with a tree and clear morning. Self-preservation, in fact seems to have been a minor consideration.

He thought it compulsory to help anybody who needed a hand.

Death—which occurs usually within the 72 years which now are a human being's fraction of the vastness time known to exist—never was discussed by Jesus as being of much consequence.

It's Christmas.

What time is it? Is Christmas timely? Or a tradition?

Was it nineteen hundred and fifty nine years ago that this boy was born in Bethlehem?

Or a couple of hours ago?

What time is it, anyhow?

Dear Mrs. Chandler:

It was with shock and dismay that Alice and I learned of the sudden death of Paul.

We deeply regret this tragic occurrence and hope and trust that you will be given the strength to carry on.

With very truly yours,  
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