



## Paul J Donahoe Lt. Col. Obituary

January 26, 1920 - February 9, 2004

A native of Sedalia, MO, Col. Donahoe joined the Air Force the day after the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor. Upon graduation from flight school, he was selected to be a flight instructor at Moody AFB in Valdosta. He flew combat missions in World War II, transported troops during the Korean Conflict and was Operations Officer for a squadron in Vietnam. His military career included assignments in the Strategic Air Command at Biggs AFB in TX, a test pilot and Vice Commander at McDonnell Douglas Aircraft in Tulsa, OK and Program Manager for the Atlas Missile Program in Lincoln and Omaha, NE. He completed his military career as Procurement Management Director at Scott AFB in IL. Col. Donahoe retired to Albany in 1975 after having served his country for thirty-three and a half years. He was a member of St. Teresa's Catholic Church and was actively involved in the restoration of Old St. Teresa's Catholic Church on Residence Ave. in Albany. He was the development director for the Thronateeska Heritage Foundation and a member of the Knights of Columbus, Golden Kiwanis and president of the Military Officers Association of America.

# Tribute Wall



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“ *A Trubute To  
Paul J. Donahoe. .*

**Thomas R DeMarino** - January 18, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ *We will all miss Uncle Paul. He was such a wonderful role model for all of us. Now he is just a prayer aaway.*

**Gene and Kathy Harp** - February 12, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ *We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family.  
Nelson and Lib, next door neighbors of Mary Gail & Allen Stewart.*

**Nelson and Elizabeth Watson** - February 12, 2004 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ Dear Mary/family,  
We have lost a dear friend/and e mail pal, and former B50  
Aircraft Commander.  
We cherish the memories of Biggs AFB and efforts that our select  
crew made during the Cold War  
of the 1950's. Paul was a most respected  
aviator and leader.  
Together, Paul, Gus Hoffson and AJ Trower were a fine team. Our  
special love to Mary ( who  
was our honored  
receptionist at our  
1955 Biggs AFB wedding reception!)  
We will miss Paul's  
weekly political  
updates and will keep the family in prayer. God Bless You! The  
Rehwaldds  
Pullman, Washington

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**Bob and Miriam Rehwaldt** - February 11, 2004 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Paul and Mary have been dear friends of ours since we first met  
them in O'fallon, Illinois in the early 70's. We last saw them just a  
few months ago. please pay our dearest respects to his wife Mary.  
We cannot make the funeral, but will be in touch. We truly did love  
them both. Sadie and Jerney Minshew

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**JERNEY & SADIE MINSHEW** - February 11, 2004 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ A loving family man, a dedicated Christian, a good American and a  
true friend. Mary, I send you love and sympathy. It was my good  
fortune to get to know you and call you both friends.

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**Lou Murphy** - February 10, 2004 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ I haven't known Paul very long but he was great deal of help when I lost my wife back in November. He was most helpful in my taking care of her affairs as they related to my retirement. We had one thing in common and that we were both retired AF L/Cols. He was a fine individual and I wish I had more time to get to know him. May God bless his family and loved ones.

*Bob White*

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**Robert (Bob) White** - February 09, 2004 at 12:00 AM