



Paul Allen Borthwick

August 16, 1968 - May 19, 2026

With heavy hearts, we announce the sudden passing of Paul Allen Borthwick on May 19, 2026, at age 57. He was born on August 16, 1968, in Cleveland, OH, to Donald and Eleanor Borthwick (née Palcic).

Paul was the beloved husband of Kelly Borthwick for 31 years; loving father of Jenna Borthwick (Mike Mosholder) and Jillian Borthwick; brother of Tom (Wendy) Borthwick and the late Donna Borthwick; uncle of Ross Borthwick and Maxwell Smith; and dog dad to Shih Tzu, Ernie.

To know Paul was to love him. Often called "Tall Paul," his easygoing spirit made everyone feel comfortable, and despite standing 6'6", he gave the best bear hugs. Some of his favorite memories were made with a Budweiser in hand surrounded by the people he loved. He will be dearly missed.

Paul enjoyed time spent in downtown Willoughby - whether on a date night or playing in his bocce league. He loved traveling, from Florida beaches to his family homeland of Scotland, golfing, watching movies (especially Star Wars), and cheering on Cleveland sports. You could also find him sneaking Kelly's famous chocolate chip cookies from the basement - even though they were supposed to be saved for Christmas.

Paul graduated from Euclid High School, where he played baseball and

hockey, before earning his Bachelor's Degree from Kent State University. He spent the last 10 years as SVP, Director of Business Risk & Controls at KeyBank.

Visitation will be held from 4:00-8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 26, 2026, at Monreal Srnick Funerals & Cremations, 35400 Curtis Blvd., Eastlake, OH 44095. A funeral service will follow around 8:00 p.m.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **26.** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Monreal Srnick Funerals & Cremations
35400 Curtis Blvd.
Eastlake, OH 44095

Funeral Service

MAY **26.** 8:00 PM - 8:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MB

“ Dear Borthwick Family - I am so sorry to hear about the passing of Paul. I only worked with him a short time at Key, but during that time he really helped me - always answering my questions, brainstorming and working through issues, lending a listening ear - and for that I am very grateful. He will be missed.

Marissa Brydle - May 28 at 10:34 AM

LJ

“ I'm so deeply sorry for your loss. I have worked with Paul over 18 years. When he was my manager he taught me so much. He is one of the reasons I am where I am in my career today. As you all know he had a way about him...that dry sense of humor and quick wit. Always making me smile. The big man with the tiny dogs and a beautiful family. He was not only my coworker and mentor...he was my friend. May he rest in peace knowing he meant so much to so many.

Lucia Januszczok - May 26 at 08:28 PM

AA

“ I worked briefly with Paul and every interaction I had with him reflected kindness, respect, and genuine character. He carried himself with warmth and professionalism and left a lasting impression on those around him. My heartfelt condolences to his family, friends, and everyone who knew him.



Adewale A - May 26 at 05:13 PM

LB

“ I'm so incredibly sorry to hear of Paul's passing. I've worked with Paul for many years at Key and he was always a kind person. He will be missed here greatly.



lori bean - May 26 at 02:28 PM

KF

“ Kurt Conway & Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Paul Allen Borthwick.



Kurt Conway & Family - May 26 at 12:12 PM

SL

“ Sidney Hutson & Patrick Larmon purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Paul Allen Borthwick.



Sidney Hutson & Patrick Larmon - May 26 at 10:43 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Paul Allen Borthwick.



May 26 at 08:52 AM

MT

“ Kelly, Jenna, Jillian, Paul's family & friends - I am deeply sorry for your loss. Paul was a kind man - always willing to help and lend a smile. He will be greatly missed at Tiedeman. Thinking of you all in the days to come. May Paul rest in peace.

Morgan Trivisonno - May 26 at 08:05 AM

TF

“ The Gojak Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Paul Allen Borthwick.



The Gojak Family - May 26 at 06:24 AM

RV

“ Kelly, Jenna & Jillian, I am so deeply sorry for your loss. Paul will be greatly missed at Key. He was so approachable and always willing to help. The office will not be the same.

Rachel Venezuela

Rachel Venezuela - May 25 at 07:23 PM

TB

“ Terry & Ken Beckwith purchased the Sentimental Dreams for the family of Paul Allen Borthwick.



Terry & Ken Beckwith - May 25 at 02:44 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paul Allen Borthwick.*



May 24 at 10:29 AM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Paul Allen Borthwick.*



May 23 at 07:12 PM



“ *Jess and Alex Walter purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Paul Allen Borthwick.*



Jess and Alex Walter - May 23 at 05:14 PM



“ *Kooser Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Paul Allen Borthwick.*



Kooser Family - May 23 at 12:30 PM

JF

“ I am deeply saddened by this devastating loss. Paul was truly a staple at KeyBank — always calm, knowledgeable, approachable, and fun to be around. He had a presence that made people feel comfortable and supported, and he was simply an all-around great guy. Key won't be the same without him.

My heart goes out to his family, friends, and everyone who loved him. I am so sorry for your untimely and heartbreaking loss. Rest peacefully, Paul.

Jenny Faivre - May 23 at 12:26 PM

LB

“ Love, Mom & Dad (Don & Eleanor B.) purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Paul Allen Borthwick.



Love, Mom & Dad (Don & Eleanor B.) - May 22 at 07:35 PM

AF

“ I worked for and with Paul before retiring a few years ago. He was kind, smart, funny, and a calming influence. He will be missed greatly. Rest in peace, Paul, and my condolences to his family.

Alison Fox - May 22 at 04:19 PM

KA

“ Paul was one of my favorite work friends when we worked together at Key. My heart is so saddened to hear of his passing. Sending much love to you, Kelly and your kids and family. My heart aches knowing this was supposed to be the beginning of celebrations for you daughter's wedding (my Dad passed at 56 right before my sisters wedding). I know Paul's spirit will be with you during these special times.

Katie Augustine - May 22 at 03:48 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Paul Allen Borthwick.

May 22 at 03:43 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Paul Allen Borthwick.



May 22 at 01:24 PM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paul Allen Borthwick.



May 22 at 12:36 PM

BJ

“ Paul was such a kind and easygoing spirit. He always made it comfortable for you to come and talk to him. I thank him for always vouching for me and giving me the opportunity to work for him at KeyBank. He's the type that you feel like you've known for years, no matter how long you may have actually known him. I was so saddened of this news and pray strength and comfort for all of his family and loved ones. He will certainly be missed.

Brandon Jackson - May 22 at 12:18 PM

BJ

“ Brandon Jackson purchased the Sweet Comfort Gift Crate for the family of Paul Allen Borthwick.



Brandon Jackson - May 22 at 12:15 PM

LM

“ Though my direct time working with Paul was brief, I had the privilege of being in several meetings where our paths crossed. His calm, kind, and respectful presence left a lasting impression on me, one I've always truly admired. My heart is with his family during this time, sending them love, comfort, and light. - L. McAlpine



L. McAlpine - May 22 at 11:26 AM

HF

“ My deepest sympathies and condolences to the family. I started at KeyBank in 2023 and worked with Paul on a long-term project almost immediately since I started. He was brilliant, kind, considerate, and overall a good soul. I will miss him dearly at work, his easy laugh and his quiet strength and support of me and others as we carry forth our project. May his memory and good name live on in the hearts of his loved ones and continue to be a blessing.



Hannah Firestone - May 22 at 10:02 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paul Allen Borthwick.



May 22 at 09:32 AM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Paul Allen Borthwick.



May 22 at 09:20 AM

JK

“ I had the pleasure of working with Paul for the last few years in various roles at the bank including working for his team. Under his tutelage I was able to gain a basic understanding of the role and how the support we provide impacts not only our area but customers across the bank. He had this great way about being blunt and honest while still providing you valuable lessons that made you feel like he was 100% in your corner.

Key is a better place for his contributions, and he will be terribly missed by us all. To all his friends, colleagues, and family members know you are all in our thoughts.

Justin R Kontos - May 22 at 09:08 AM

HB

“ I’m so saddened by the loss of Paul. From the moment I arrived as the new person supporting his area, he made me feel welcome and at ease. He was always so kind, patient, and genuine, not just with me, but with everyone around him. That kindness didn’t go unnoticed, and it meant more to me than I can fully express. I will always be grateful for the way he treated me, and I’ll remember him for the warmth and care he brought to us all. Thank you Paul!

To his family, I am so very sorry this happened to you guys. I realize that sentence is futile, but I want you to know that we are thinking and keeping you all in our hearts at this time.

Hailey Bethel - May 22 at 08:46 AM

LC

“ Love, Mom & Dad (Grandma & Grandpa C) purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Paul Allen Borthwick.



Love, Mom & Dad (Grandma & Grandpa C) - May 22 at 08:07 AM

LB

“ Love, Tom, Wendy & Ross Borthwick purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Paul Allen Borthwick.



Love, Tom, Wendy & Ross Borthwick - May 21 at 10:06 PM

GK

“ Paul was one of those people who made everything feel a little easier...a little lighter—so laid back, genuinely cool, and always fun to be around. Anytime our team had a potluck, we made sure to bring him over, and he'd always joke that for our small group, we somehow managed to bring enough food for 100 people. We shared a lot of great conversations about the Grateful Dead, Star Wars, and bourbon—memories I'll always hold onto. I'll truly miss seeing him. Keeping his family in my thoughts and prayers and hoping they find comfort in the memories they shared together.

Gillian Krakowski - May 21 at 07:46 PM

AH

“ Paul Borthwick gave me a blessing of a lifetime: his daughter, Jenna. Jenna’s dad, Paul, walked humbly, loved generously, and exuded positivity/humor. This and his enthusiasm for life will be greatly missed but his spirit will be with us forever. I look forward to putting more of Paul’s qualities into practice in my own life and sharing in his memory with Jenna forever. Sending my deepest condolences to Kelly, Jenna, Jillian, and the Borthwick family. May God bless you and shower you in peace during this unimaginable time.

Love, Alexis Hamilton

Alexis Hamilton - May 21 at 05:51 PM

MM

“ Millie Morrison lit a candle in memory of Paul Allen Borthwick



Millie Morrison - May 21 at 05:37 PM

MM

We are remembering Paul fondly as a wonderful husband to my niece, Kelly and a great dad to Jenna and Jillian. Such an asset to our family bringing his laid back attitude to our usual craziness at get togethers He will be greatly missed and our deepest sympathy go to the Borthwick family. Gone way too soon.

Millie Morrison - May 21 at 05:42 PM