



David L. Foster

November 2, 2011

Mr. David L. Foster, age 61, of Grayson, GA passed away on Wednesday, November 2, 2011. He is survived by his wife of twenty years, Paula Jean Martin Foster, Grayson, GA; daughter, Vicki Foster, Lawrenceville, GA; son and daughter-in-law, Kevin and Natasha Foster, Roswell, GA; grandsons, Zachary Foster and Tyler Foster; step children, Kelly and Jonathan Schmidt, Loganville, GA and Matthew and Robin Freeman, Daphne, AL; step granddaughter, Brittany Schmidt; sister, Jolyn Jenkins, Spring, TX; Brothers and sisters-in-law, Ken and Joy Murphy, Lithonia, GA, Dennis and Judy Foster, Flowery Branch, GA, Larry and Janice Foster, Sugar Hill, GA and Mike Foster, Lithonia, GA; and several nieces, nephews and cousins. Mr. Foster was born January 25, 1950 in Walland, TN. He was employed with Parex U.S.A. in Redan, GA for the past twelve years. He was of the Baptist Faith. He was an avid Georgia Bulldog Fan and a golfer. Funeral services will be held on Friday, November 4, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. in the Chapel of Flanigan Funeral Home with Rev. Joseph Paul and Mr. Ed Lowrey officiating. Interment will follow at White Chapel Memorial Gardens in Duluth, GA. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Thursday from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Tribute Wall



“ *David L. Foster*

November 08, 2022 at 07:37 PM



“ *I just found out today about David and wish that I would have known sooner. I had the pleasure of working with David many years ago at Watty! Paint and have thought about both Paula and David over the years, which just goes to show the impact that the two of them had on me during those moments in my life 13 years ago. Paula, I am so saddened to hear of David's passing. It just seems like yesterday that we were in Destin Deep Sea Fishing with Watty!. You two were always so good to me. I only wish that I could have told David Thank you. The two of you are what I like to call "good people". They are a rare thing in this world, but I was lucky enough to know you both. I will keep you and your family in my prayers during this rough time. I lost my mother at the young age of 45 Eight years ago, and it was rough there towards the end, but I know she is in heaven now greeting David at the gates...who knows...maybe they can enjoy deep sea fishing with each other again up there in the company of Jesus! Please take care of yourself. Love, Kristi Flynn*

Kristi Flynn - November 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *I love you David/Papa - this has been so hard on all of us - you were such a special man and have been part of my life since I was 14. You ALWAYS took such good care of my momma and loved her the way she loved you. You were a wonderful Papa to my daughter and always treated her as your own. Please know that I will take care of both of them now. I love you so much and know that I will see you again some day.*

Kelly Schmidt - November 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Dear Paula,
Our hearts and prayers go out to you and your family in this time of need. God will give you strength to endure. David will be missed. He was a wonderful man and reached out to help everybody he came in contact with.
Maye and Bob

Maye and Bob Weyhmiller - November 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ I will remember Dave as one of the fairest people I've ever known. He treated everybody with respect as he expected to be treated and always went out of his way to do for others. I had the privilege of working with Dave for 8 years at Parex. We miss you, Dave. See you on the other side.

Dan Haines - November 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ Steve and Tammy Duchaine

I remember the first time we met. I was doing hard work for Bob and Peggy West. We pulled into your driveway; you got out of your truck and started walking toward me and all I could think was that you were going to tell me not to blow grass clippings from their yard into yours. I never would have guessed what was going to come out of your mouth. It was an amazing pleasure to be hired by you to do your yard maintenance, which turned into an ultimately precious and respective friendship between our families. We will miss you dearly.

Steve and Tammy Duchaine - November 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *Paula,
I just heard of your loss and I am so sorry. I am thinking of you and
you are in my prayers.*

Jonna

Jonna Calhoun - November 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *David, everyone that had the honor of knowing you feels the same ,
that you made a difference in all of our lifes in one way or another.
Our prayers are with you and the loved ones that you have left. Your
legacy will live on forever.*

Dennis Webster

Dennis Webster - November 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ OK, I know this is my second posting. And David was certainly one of those who gently reminded me that I tend to write too often and too much! But I don't think he'd mind my coming back to say **WHAT A FUNERAL!**

Thanks to Paula and the family, and special thanks to Ed Lowrey for the magnificent eulogy. Ed's words were so eloquent, his delivery impeccable, and he captured the essence of David so very well. I don't think there was a person there who didn't learn something new about our David, and we all enjoyed every one of Ed's words.

I only wish that someone in front had motioned for all of us to sing along with the wonderful singer on the choruses of "I'll Fly Away." From the humming I heard around me, I know there were lots of us in the throng who were just itching to join in! But of course he did an inspiring job without our help, so I'll just say instead of sing "fly away, David, fly away home."

Carolyn

Carolyn McGough - November 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ *I am so very saddened to hear of David's passing. He always had a great smile everytime I saw him. David was one of the most honest and genuine people I have ever known. He truly was a special person with a special love of life. Thank you for everything.*

You will be missed!

Dianna Renz

Dianna Renz - November 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

FR

“ *Paula*

Just a week ago, Dave and I were talking and joking on the phone about past and future. His passing is coming so fast, even if we knew he had a very difficult fight against his illness, we all had hopes he could recover and be able to enjoy a few more years of well earned retirement with you and his family.

I had the privileged to hire him at Parex 12 years ago. I have always enjoyed working and sharing with him. The few times we did spend on the road were very special ones for open discussions.

David deserves so well the recognition everyone is expressing for what he did for the company and its employees. He was the person to go to. All the messages left say in different ways but powerfully how much the manager, the friend, the confident, the person was appreciated and loved by all.

David smiling face and loud laugh, commitment to a job well done, resolution to get things done, fairness and human approach in his dealings with individual or business have been so helpful and sometime critical for Parex and the Redan operations.

We all have lost a dear friend.

Be assured of my sympathies and my prayers.

Francois - November 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ *You took good care of us at Redan, now rest easy.*

O.K. Partner,

*We love you,
Peggie*

Peggie Laurens - November 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ So sorry to hear about David. My prayers are with you.

Dot Richard - November 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ David,
From someone who has known you for 40 years, you have had a good ride in this life my friend. Now you go on and rest with the Lord and catch up with family and old friends and we will see you on the other side some day .

Bob Phillips - November 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Dear Paula:
My heart is full tonight because I know David is "dancing in the streets of heaven" and because of the wonderful celebration of his life today at which he was truly honored. I worked very closely with David for 11 years and grew to love him as a co-worker and more importantly, my friend. David had such a big heart, was compassionate toward others and was very generous in helping others whatever their need. I will miss sharing grandchildren pictures with him. He was so proud of and loved his grandchildren so much. I have many fond memories of David and will miss him. I will be praying for God to give you strength and peace in the days ahead. God will take care of you, Paula, He loves you and will never leave you.
Sincerely, Jeanette

Jeanette Hickox - November 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

WL

“ *David*
Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time. I only worked with you for four years but I truly felt your passion for life. You have given me some very helpful advise for which I am very grateful. You will be missed. A good man is gone.

Love & Peace to you and your family.

Bill & Michelle Leacock

Willaim Leacock - November 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ *Co-worker, friends & personal painters since 1979. We will miss David. Paula, please keep in touch.*

Pat & Robert Langley - November 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *Dear David,*
I remember our travel to Brazil like it was yesterday... Two associates, two presenters, two Americans, two friends who found themselves in a foreign country while back at home the Twin Towers were falling on 9-11. Our connection and commitment to each other brought us to a deep level of friendship. When people ask me to describe you David... I answer very simply... "If you pick up a dictionary and look up 'Country Gentlemen' you will see a picture of David Foster." David... You will be deeply missed... I love you my friend.

Mark

Mark Cooke - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ David,
I only knew you for a short time, but will miss you. Wish there were more people in this world like you.

Gail Simmons - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ God brings people in and out of our lives. Some we forget and some have an everlasting presence. David wasn't just our co-worker, he was our family. Paula, I hope that your memories will be a source of comfort to you in the times ahead. During his last days here at work he talked about what good care you were giving him and how much he appreciated everything that you had done and were continuing to do for him over the past several months. He was thankful for you. I hope knowing that you did everything that you possible could for him will bring you some comfort and peace.

Christie

Christie - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

VW

“ Best Wishes for David and His Family

Vern Warner - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

HG

“ I am sorry to see David go, but am sure he is in a much better place now. I pray only grace and peace for his family in this time of sorrow.

Hether J Gajito - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ I had the pleasure of working with David for the past 12 yrs. David was a man with a huge heart. His compassion for his employees was phenomenal. We will miss you and I know you are looking down at us and saying "Say Whaat".

Paula we are here for you always.

Merthella

Merthella Wright - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Paula, I was lucky to have David in my life for 3 years at WattyI plus the 10 at Parex. He was a true friend to so many people at both places, and was the glue that made us feel like a family. We will all miss David, the central shining point around which we gathered. I'm so glad that he organized those WattyI reunions and breakfasts -- testaments to how much he loved his "people". And we loved him, too.

Carolyn McGough

Carolyn McGough - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ David,
You were awesome! You were more than a boss; you were a real good friend. You taught me a lot in the short time that I knew you. You truly were a blessing in my life. David, again we will meet, partner!

Love ya big guy!

Ron

Ron Polhamus - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ David -

It was a pleasure to get to know you over the last 4 years. Though we didn't have occasion to work together day to day, when we did have opportunity, you were a true pleasure to work with. Insightful, helpful, and committed to finding a solution that met the customer's needs. As a colleague, you always brought a smile to the day, a moment of laughter to a phone call or meeting, and a genuine spirit that truly cared for those around you. You lived a life of integrity and character, and have left a profound legacy. Thank you for being such a good example of quality character, genuine friendship, and heartfelt commitment. Enjoy your new heavenly home! You will be missed. My prayers go out to your family during this difficult time. May their memories sustain them, and their tears bring healing on angels wings.

Thank you for everything.

-Susan

Susan Foster - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ David was a good man. He will surely be missed at ParexUSA. May he rest in peace.

Our thoughts and prayers are with your family during this very difficult time.

lette shimodoi - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Paula, from all these entries you can see that his life, while too short, had a positive and lasting impact on all of us. I will remember David for his friendly smile, dry wit, and common sense approach to business and life. I could always trust his word and rely on him to act on it. It's no wonder he had so many friends. To everyone at Parex he was a first class manager and an even better friend.
John

John Comiskey - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ David,

*Reading all these messages, I'm sure that you had the same respect and compassion to your family than your employees and colleagues. I enjoyed a lot working with you and the most important , have the privilege to share a little piece of your life.
My thoughts and condolences go to your family, and plenty of good memories will stay in my heart.*

"Ce qui donne un sens à la vie, donne un sens à la mort" Antoine de Saint ExUpéry

Julien.

Julien Latrille - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Paula, you know how much I loved David. The years that I worked for him at WattyI were the best years of my entire working career. I'm so glad that I spoke with him recently and also for being able to be with him at the last WattyI breakfast at your home. Even though we did not see each other very often I'll never forget when I would answer the phone and hear his voice say "hey, you know who this is?" Of course there was never a doubt who it was, David is truly an unforgettable person and will always be remembered with love and affection. What a loss, much too soon. God be with you and your family, you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Joyce Murillo - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Paula,

I am so sorry for your loss. May God heal your heart, and provide you with the strength to carry on without your beloved husband David.

Sincerely,

Jan Purser

Jan Marie Purser - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ David,

Well buddy I know all is well now! It was a pleasure working with you because I always knew we were on the same page regarding our customers and their orders.

Please know that I learned so much from you and appreciated your care for our company and more importantly...PEOPLE!

We never really got to play golf together even though we were at the same outings...I know one day we will have that opportunity, I will still spot you 5 strokes!

Go Dawgs!!!

Love You Man!

Brad

Brad Sanderson - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ *I did not get to work with you very much over the past 10 years but I still got to know you. You are one classy man, that truly cares about people and you made everyone around you feel special. You will be missed.*

Karine

Karine Galla - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ *Good Friend and Colleague.*

Jerome Tippett - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Dear Paula and family, I was so saddened tonight to hear of David's passing! He was a wonderful man. Whenever I think of my Watty years, I think of the two of you. I hope you will use all of the warm wishes to lift you during this difficult time. Take care and may God bless you.

Sheila

Sheila McFall - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ David,

Words cannot explain how I am feeling, you were one of the greatest men I had the pleasure of knowing. You were more than a boss, you are one of my best friends, someone I could trust and talk to when things got tough. You had faith in me when it was short in myself. I have always done my best to make you proud, both inside and out of work. I hope I madE you proud. Thank you for everything. In the last words you said to me "Check You Later Bo"

Love: Stephen Green

Stephen Green - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ Dave,

Thank you for sharing with us, for a few precious years, your bright smile and your loving and generous spirit. You were a rare individual in our world, you always gave much more than you received, and those of us who knew you are, as a result, all richer for having known and loved you. Paula and Family, Vanessa and I are thinking of you and praying that you receive God's grace and peace in this difficult time.

Glenn

Glenn Fisher - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CN

“ *Surely we will all miss David. What a great man!
He touched so many people in his life and the loss will be felt.*

We will keep him on our prayers!

Parex USA R&D Group

Carlos

Pedro

Marina

Jesus

Alfredo

Justina

Carlos Nones - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

FF

“ *Our thoughts and prayers to you and your family*

*God Bless
Franco Fam.*

Francisco Franco - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *It was a pleasure working with you...*

*"To be absent from the body means your present with the Lord" 2
Corinthians 5:8*

Have fun my Friend!

Rich Stamsek - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ *Dear David, Dear Family,*

*I have not had the pleasure to get to know you as much as some of
your colleagues and friends, but the very little times we had to
worked together were a real pleasure amd endeavor for me.*

*RIP, and please, please, keep an eye on us from up there, from the
stars, you know we are going to need that for sure !!!!!*

I will see you on the otehr side !

My deep and true blessings.

Nicolas CORCIA - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ Paula & Foster Family Members

David was thought so well of and he loved his family so much. He spoke very fondly of you and you could see a sparkle in his eye that you knew he meant every word of it from the depths of his heart. He was such a kind individual. We appreciated the care & concerns he showed for our family and he will truly be missed. Our prayers are with you & all the family at this most difficult time. We feel your sorrow and know words are just not adequate. May God bring you peace and comfort as only He can in time. Barbara, Cliff & Andrew Fagan

Barbara Fagan - November 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ You were truly one of the great men that I have known. You will be missed.

Steve Horn

Steve Horn - November 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ David,

I only had the pleasure and honor to know you and work with you for 8 years. I learned much from you during those 8 years and I hope I gave something back to you. I miss you already! Now is the time to shoot below par forever.

Take care my friend

Love Dave

Dave Leach - November 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Jennifer and I cannot believe David is no longer with us. He was truly one of a kind, and we were blessed to have enjoyed his friendship for so many years. Friends like David can never be replaced, they can only be missed. We will cherish our memories of all the good times and his unforgettable laughter. Go with God my dear friend.

Carlton Staples - November 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM