

Bio:
Paul Veneto, aka 'Paulie'



Paulie's Push is the effort of retired United Airlines flight attendant Paul Veneto to recognize the heroism of the 'first, first responders' of September 11 - the flight crews. Paulie long believed that, in the enormity of everything that happened on September 11, 2001, with so many heroes emerging that day, his friends and fellow crew members wouldn't receive the recognition they deserved. He felt that more could be done to honor the memory of those who battled terrorists in the skies that morning, and wanted their families to hear it said: they were heroes, too.

That's why, in 2021, Paulie pushed an airline beverage cart 220 miles from Boston-Logan International Airport to Ground Zero, New York in honor of the flight crews lost on 9/11, including those of United Flight 175, the flight he'd worked just before it went back out that morning.

'Paulie's Push' to Ground Zero in Manhattan went viral on TikTok and Instagram. It was covered by news media across the US and around the world, including interviews on the Today Show, the Drew Barrymore Show, and others. His journey steadily became something of a movement across social media, and the families of his fallen colleagues and other followers of the Push helped convince Paulie to keep the effort going after that first year.

In 2022 he pushed his cart from Washington-Dulles to the Pentagon in memory of American Flight 77; in 2023 he pushed 300 miles over 30 days, from Newark-Liberty to the National Flight 93 Memorial in Shanksville, in memory of United Flight 93.

Paulie was honored when travel publication The Points Guy named him their 'Hero in Travel' in December last year. Paulie's team is currently in the process of planning a push from Boston-Logan to Ground Zero in memory of American Flight 11; that journey will begin in August 2024.

For more information on Paulie and Paulie's Push, email press@pauliespush.com.

THE BASICS

Age: 64

Hometown: Milton, MA Current City: Milton, MA

Siblings: One of 9 - he has 3 brothers and 5 sisters

Occupation: Retired Flight Attendant

Airlines: United Airlines, 1997 - 2013. (Also worked for World Airways, Leisure Air, AVAtlantic, and American Transair).

