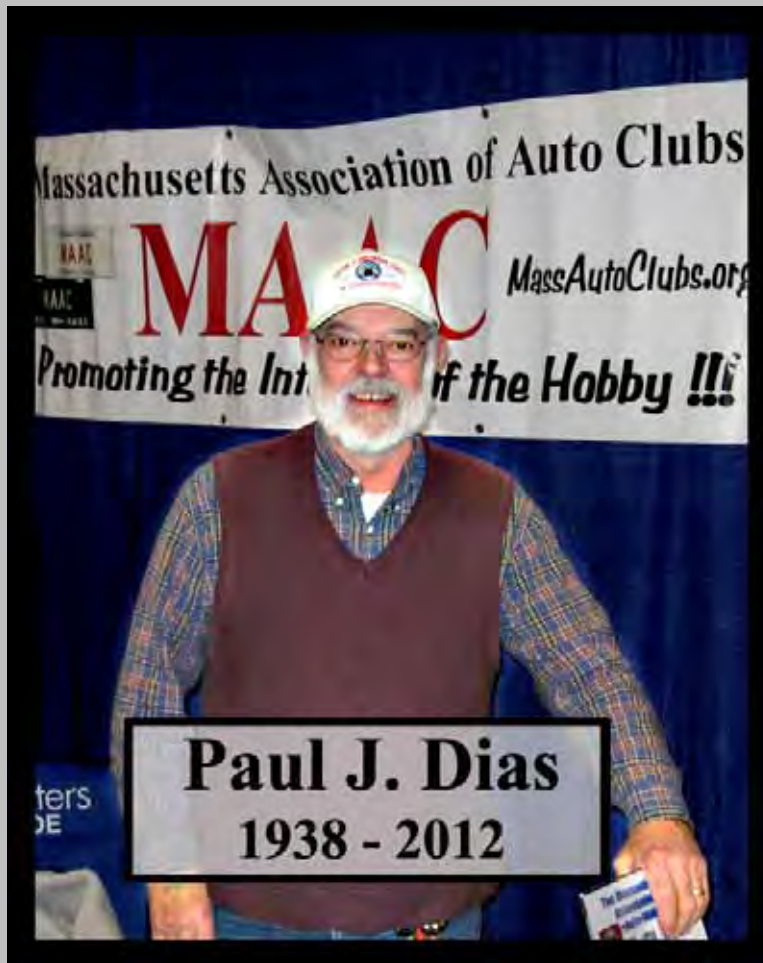


We are saddened to report that one of our own has recently passed away...



Paul J. Dias, the founder of MAAC... In the late 1960's , having the foresight to realize that our collector car / auto hobby needed a unified voice to represent its legislative interests in Massachusetts, Paul set out to create and direct a group of like-minded individuals in doing just that.

By 1970, *MAAC – the Massachusetts Antique Auto Council* was created to “*Promote the interests of the hobby...*” Along the way, Auto Hobbyists in Massachusetts saw regulations enacted specifically for antique and collector car owners related to: seat belts, agreed value insurance coverage, year of manufacture license plates and other laws enhancing the ownership of collector cars.

Then, some 30 + years later, with Paul still playing a leadership role, this Organization (“it’s not a club...” Paul would remind everyone) of more than 50 Massachusetts Auto Hobbyist Clubs, re-constituted itself as *the Massachusetts Association of Auto Clubs - MAAC* and continued with its goals of - “*Protecting the Interests of the Hobby ...*” for ALL Auto Enthusiasts in Massachusetts.

In the years to come, *MAAC will continue to* watch over & work with our legislators and representatives here in Massachusetts as well as Nationally to *Protect the Interests of Our Hobby...* just as Paul would have wanted ... !!!

For more info on the *Mass Assn of Auto Clubs* see - <http://www.massautoclubs.org/>

A visitation / memorial for Paul J. Dias will be held on Saturday, March 3rd from 1 PM - 5 PM at the Leighton-McKinnon funeral home, 4 West Washington Street, Hanson, MA, 02341.