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Paul Halmos died on October 2, 2006, at the mathematician in the latter half of the teaching mathematics. A production of

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age of 90. He was a master of mathematics in multiple ways. Unlike most other master mathematicians, Paul's legacy was not merely mathematics but rather advice and opinion about mathematical life—writing, publishing, speaking, research, or even thinking about mathematics. Paul wrote about each of these topics with an extraordinary mixture of conviction and humility. Paul Halmos's writing affected the professional lives of nearly every twentieth century, and it will continue to influence the profession for years to come.

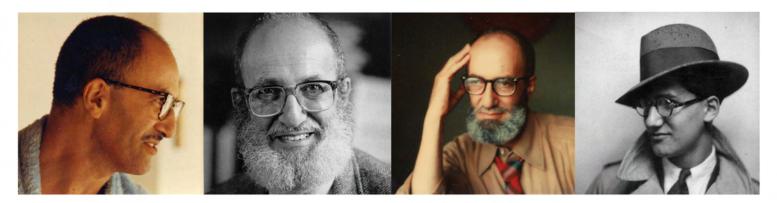
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I Want To Be a Mathematician: A Conversation with Paul Halmos is a good supplement for use in classes on mathematics and on

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The 44-minute film contains a rare interview with Paul Halmos by Peter Renz, revealing his thoughts on mathematics, and how to teach it and write about it. Five bonus features include comments by mathematicians Robert Bekes, David Eisenbud, Jean Pedersen, and Donald Sarason about their experiences with Halmos. Interviews with Halmos by Don Albers and Halmos's own writings are included as PDF documents.

Extra features on the DVD include:

- · Who am I?
- Mathematician, teacher, communicator
- · Work, preparation, and spontaneity
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- Style

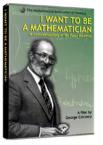
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