
In Loving Memory
of
Patrick McGrath

Sunrise
March 17, 1946

Sunset
February 13, 2012



Friday, February 17, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.

GALILEE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
325 Genesee Ave. • Englewood, New Jersey

Rev. Sherrie Dobbs Johnson, Officiating

Reflections of Life

Patrick (Pat) McGrath, 65, died February 13, 2012.

He was born to parents Helen (Duffy) and John McGrath on St. Patrick's Day 1946. With the luck of the Irish and his adventurous spirit, he lived his life to the fullest.

Patrick grew up in Jersey City and West New York, New Jersey and spent his summers with family in Monmouth Beach, New Jersey. He loved Monmouth Beach so much that he continued to reside there throughout his life as well as in Teaneck, New Jersey with his beloved wife Dianne.

Patrick was a graduate of Jersey City State College. He went on to become a teacher and guidance counsellor in the Englewood Public school district for thirty years where he was a mentor and friend to countless students and co-workers. Patrick touched many lives during his tenure there. Patrick also spent several years running a summer camp for his students at Sandy Hook, New Jersey. He created years of memories for the students and staff at Sandy Hook.

Patrick was an avid environmentalist and long-time member and volunteer for New Jersey (formerly Monmouth County) Friends of Clearwater. He loved to tinker and build in his spare time. Patrick often said there was no need to buy an item if he could build it himself. He was also known to all who knew him as a master storyteller. But above all, Patrick was most known as a devoted husband, father, brother, uncle, and grandfather to his four grandchildren who adored him.

Patrick is survived by his beloved wife Dianne; his children Catherine and husband David Willy, PJ and wife Heather, Nora, and Caitlin; step-daughter Devon; grandchildren Grace, Paige, Caroline, and Jack. He is also survived by siblings Susan and John (Condon) and wife Karen, niece, Clare, and many loved in-laws, cousins, and dear friends.

**Donations in Patrick's name may be made to the Centre for Food Action,
192 West Demarest Avenue Englewood, NJ 07631. (Bergen Record
Edition)**

**Donations in Patrick's name may be made to New Jersey Friends of
Clearwater P.O. Box 303 Red Bank New Jersey 07701.**

Order of Service

ENTRANCE

Gathering.....Rev. Sherrie Dobbs Johnson

Words of Grace, Greeting

Hymn.....“Blessed Assurance”
#369, Red Hymnal

Prayers

SCRIPTURE, PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Psalm 23 (together).....#873, Red Hymnal

Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 27.....Rev. Thomas Lamarr

New Testament Lesson: 1 Corinthians 13

GOSPEL LESSON: 1 Corinthians 13

SERMON.....Rev. Johnson

Psalm 91:1-6.....Rev. Thomas Lamarr

Musical Selections.....“On Eagles Wings”
Galilee Chancel Choir

Obituary.....Mr. Patrick Jude McGrath

Witnesses.....Mr. John(Condon) McGrath
Others

Acknowledgements

COMMENDATION

Prayers of Commendation.....Rev. Johnson

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn.....#378, Red Hymnal

Dismissal with Blessing.....Rev. Johnson

Recession (family first)

My Farewell

*Our family circle has been broken link has gone from our
chain; But though we are parted for a while,
We know we will meet again.*

*Sometimes it's hard to understand why certain things must
be, but there is a reason for it all, beyond our power to see.
The cover of life's book is closed for one we loved so well;
But the loving deeds of by-gone days are what the pages tell.
The blow was hard, the shock severe;
We never thought your death was so near.
But only those who have lost can tell
The pain of parting without farewell.*



Acknowledgement

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of
kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.
God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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