



James Flanigan,

November 20, 1941 - October 15, 2007

James Paul Flanigan, Jr. 65 of Salem, NJ died October 15, 2007 at his home surrounded by his family. Jim had valiantly coped with multiple disabilities resulting from a stroke since 1998. Jim was born in Jersey City, NJ on November 20, 1941 to James Paul, Sr. and Mary O'Neill Flanigan, formerly of Motherwell, Scotland. Jim was the brother of Frank (deceased), Bernard and Margaret Flanigan, all of California. Jim is survived by his wife, Maureen (nee Kelly), his children, Karen, Jean, Megan, Peter and his adored grandson, Conor James Townsend, son of Megan and Ron Townsend. Jim prized the friendship that he shared with his son Peter's friends and we also include them as his surviving family. His friendship with Dante Bruce, his home healthcare aide, was equally treasured. Jim graduated from St. Nicholas Grammar School, St. Michael's High School, Union City and St. Peter's College, Jersey City where he developed his lifelong love and appreciation of American History. Jim was a veteran of the Vietnam War having served as a Second Lieutenant with the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment in 1967 and 1968. He was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for gallantry. Returning from Vietnam as a Captain in the Military Police, he assumed command as Provost Marshall at Fort Dix, NJ in 1968. He was honorably discharged from the Army in 1969. IN 1970, Jim became manager of the Sears, Roebuck and Company Catalog Store in Salem. He managed the store until 1982 when he became the Owner-Operator. He sold the Sears store in 1990 and was able to enjoy his family and friends in retirement. He was a member of St. Mary's Roman

Catholic Church in Salem where he was the usher at the 11 o'clock Mass for more than 25 years. He was a supporter of St. Mary Grammar School, St. James High School and Bishop Guilfoyle School where he saw his children and his grandson Conor educated in their faith. In his retirement, Jim enjoyed listening to Celtic music, reading books on military history, following the series "The Sopranos", and spending his time with his grandson. To celebrate his life, Jim leaves his immediate loving family, his brother Bernard and sister Margaret, his sisters and brother-in-law, Patricia Waelder, Kathleen Kelly, Mary-Barbara and Martin Fotusky, Judith and Charles Kelly, Pat Flanigan, and Lucy Flanigan, his nieces and nephews, his cousins, especially "Baby" Kathleen and a host of caring friends and kind neighbors. Viewing for family and friends will be held Friday, October 19, 2007 from 6 to 8 PM at the Ashcraft Funeral Home, 740 S. Broadway, Pennsville. A Mass of Resurrection will be celebrated at St. Mary's RC Church, 25 Oak St., Salem on Saturday, October 20, 2007 at 10 AM. Interment will take place at St. Mary Cemetery, Grieves Parkway, Salem, NJ immediately following the Funeral Mass. Contributions in memory of James Flanigan can be made to Bishop Guilfoyle Regional Catholic School, Georgetown Rd., Carneys Point, NJ 08069

Tribute Wall

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“ *My sympathies to a wonderful family who has made many differences in many lives, including my husband Kevin Nicolosi, who only talked great memories of your family from when he was little until present, you were his second family, and Mr. Flanigan served as a great second father to him, which, he so dearly loved and misses, he has so many fond memories of Mr. Flanigan and your family that his face lights up and smiles every time he talks about them.... Your in our prayers, and lives always, Love Rebecca Nicolosi & Family*

Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Nicolosi - October 19, 2007 at 01:28 PM