



John Patrick Mackey

June 29, 1942 - January 1, 2021

The Mackey family is saddened to report that John Patrick Mackey passed away on January 1, 2021 of cancer (unrelated to COVID.) He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Connie Mackey, and his two daughters Kristen Mackey and Kim Mackey Elliott and granddaughters Bailey Elizabeth, Haven Grace and Madeline.

John graduated from North Shore High School in Glenwood, New York and received a degree in Business from Seton Hall University, followed by a law degree from the Fordham University School of Law. He was inducted into the FBI as a Special Agent and served at posts in Chicago, New York and San Francisco and graduated from the Defense Institute of Languages in Monterey, CA. He returned to NY to the law firm of Cullen and Dykman. He and Connie moved to Washington DC in 1974 working with the Ad Hoc Committee in Defense of Life before receiving a Presidential appointment to the Department of Justice, where he served as Deputy Assistant Attorney General under George H. Bush. In this capacity, John handled legislative affairs and the confirmations of Federal judges, including the Supreme Court and other key Justice Department nominees before the U.S. Senate.

In his last 15 years of employment, he served as the Investigative Counsel for the House Foreign Affairs Committee, where he handled oversight inquiries and investigations as well as the issue of international terrorism, illicit

narcotics control, and global organized crime. He played a major staff role in securing assistance for Colombia (Plan Colombia) for the successful fight against “narco terrorism” in America’s own hemisphere. As a proud Irishman, he had the opportunity to add the Irish/English peace plan to his portfolio as well.

John was delighted to be a part of the Regency Men’s golf league and enjoyed many years of golf before poor health prevented his daily rounds.

A Mass will be said at St. Stephen the Martyr Church in Middleburg, VA on Friday, January 15 at 11 a.m. The family will entertain friends and family (observing COVID regulations) for an open house at their home following the Mass from 1pm to 4pm. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to John’s two charities listed below:

Gabriel Homes, Inc.

<http://gabrielhomes.org/>

American Cancer Society

<https://www.cancer.org/>

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 15. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Stephen the Martyr Catholic Church
23331 Sam Fred Road
Middleburg, VA

Tribute Wall

TS

“ John and I were roommates at Seton Hall in early 1960. He was an inspiration to me because he had returned after a very difficult first year and dedicated himself to achieving his goals and many times exceeded them. He truly deserved the wonderful things that came his way.

Tom Strickle - January 20, 2024 at 01:56 PM

CH

“ Charles sent a virtual gift in memory of John Patrick Mackey



Charles - November 26, 2023 at 05:11 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Patrick Mackey.



January 13, 2021 at 11:20 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John Patrick Mackey.



January 12, 2021 at 01:00 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John Patrick Mackey.*



January 12, 2021 at 01:00 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Patrick Mackey.*



January 11, 2021 at 10:58 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Krissy - January 09, 2021 at 03:11 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of John Patrick Mackey.*



January 06, 2021 at 03:51 PM

MM

“ Marilyn Meehan purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of John Patrick Mackey.



Marilyn Meehan - January 06, 2021 at 02:59 PM

KM

“ I officially became a member of the Mackey Clan upon my marriage to John’s younger brother, Gerald/Jerry. However, our lives were intertwined for several years prior, through our community, school and acquaintances. We shared many common memories of Long Island, even though our lives took us in quite different directions, careers and locations.

Of course, Jerry and John already had the bonds of blood and brotherhood. They even had one shared year as students at Seton Hall University...both graduating with degrees.

The commonality Jerry and I shared with John and Connie, was through love and devotion to family. Gatherings, no matter for celebrations or shared losses within the family, were ultimately always spent reminiscing, laughing and/or crying over happenings and memories.

His passing leaves an unfillable space in the family. We take consolation in knowing his suffering is over and that he is reunited in Paradise with all the loved ones who preceded him and he now waits to greet us when the time comes.

Jerry & Kathy Mackey

Kathy & Jerry Mackey - January 06, 2021 at 11:35 AM

AO

Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire MacKey family. We have fond memories

Arthur Othen - January 09, 2021 at 12:46 PM

AC

Connie, Gary & I send prayers to you and your family. Even though we only got to know you and John in the past few years, we feel you both became good friends and we are so sorry for your loss.

Ann Klein Comerford - January 11, 2021 at 12:00 PM

MH

“*Margarita, Mom & Daniel Hopkins purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of John Patrick Mackey.*”



Margarita, Mom & Daniel Hopkins - January 06, 2021 at 11:22 AM