



James McNally Hennessy

January 12, 2023

James McNally Hennessy, 64, of Harrington Park, died peacefully at home on Thursday, January 12, 2023.

James was born on July 21, 1958 to Ann and Jack Hennessy in New York City. After graduating from Don Bosco High School in 1976, he went on to a lifelong career as longshoreman, proudly following in the footsteps of his father, brother, and many cousins.

James was known for his kindness and generosity, his sense of humor, his passions for music and politics, and his lifelong support of the New York Giants and Mets.

He was predeceased by his parents Ann and Jack Hennessy. He is survived by his sister Mary Hennessy, brother Brian Hennessy and sister-in-law Bobbie, his beloved nieces and nephews Megan Flenniken, Ellen Flenniken, Matt Hennessy, and Laura Hennessy, and grandnephews Jack Flenniken, Olin Breece, Jack Hennessy, Quinn McCormick, and Henry Breece, and many friends and relatives.

A celebration of life will be held on March 18, 2023. For details, please email Ellen at flennikenee@gmail.com. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Adirondack Council, to preserve and protect his

beloved Adirondack Mountains.

Tribute Wall

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“ I loved James from the first minute I met him. He was a best friend of my ex-husband, Brendan Casey. Even though I hadn't seen him for 25+ years, the news of his death was heartbreaking. When I heard about it, my universe shifted. My heartfelt condolences to his family and friends. The world won't be the same without you, James! Love you ❤️

Cynthia Casey - February 01, 2023 at 10:36 PM

KA

“ This one is for you Jamesie.

I have known James for about 50 years. He was part of the gang, at first the OLV boys.

He was always down for a party. Loved spur of the moment trips to the city or impromptu parties or softball games in the park. He loved concerts and could quote so many lines from so many songs. Going to Montauk was always an adventure, camping on the beach and we'd usually have to form a search party to find him each trip.

He was quiet, so brilliant, a plethora of knowledge on so many subjects and could recall events like no other. He was generous beyond belief. When I needed a place to live, he opened his house to me and rented me a room for 7 years!

He was known for late night phone calls to his fellas to talk sports or politics “don't get me started” he'd like to say as he continued on with his views.

The Giants and Mets were his teams and he loved horse races. He had 2 sweet dogs when I moved in and I know they were waiting for him at the pearly gates for his arrival.

He loved to grow veggies in his backyard as of late. He was famous for starting projects around the house and I'll leave it at that! All good intentions.

He loved being the man of mystery. He'd answer texts or calls on James time. My friend told me the other day, “his phone is for his benefit not ours.” Oh, and that finger! It was a reflex when he had his pic taken. There's one pic that he took, so we all flipped the bird at him for a change.

Thanks James for being you. A wonderful, kind soul. I pray that you find your Montauk up there and go all the places you always wanted to go.

We'll see you later. Until then, we will miss you and wonder where the heck you are!

Peace and love always.  

Kathy - January 30, 2023 at 10:46 PM

RP

“ James: it is no wonder you have so many friends being as kind, generous, smart, warm, funny and filled with amazing good intention as your are. Your family described you well. Proud to be your friend since first grade . I will miss your calls about how Megan , Matt, Laura and Ellen are doing and the next generations of Jacks and other new family members being born. I will be thinking of you and them and of course Mary and Brian .

Robert Plunkett - January 27, 2023 at 10:22 AM



“ James can't believe you left us way to early old friend ! Will remember all the good times and late nights ! I know i will see you on the other side,and have a beer together ! LOVE YA



Charles Wisnyi - January 25, 2023 at 02:56 PM

MA

“ Mary lit a candle in memory of James McNally Hennessy



Mary - January 25, 2023 at 01:41 PM

MA

our hearts go out to your family..rest in peace James..the Fortune Girls..Mary Mary Jane Joan Ellen

Mary - January 25, 2023 at 01:45 PM

CH

“ James, I will miss you. There are so many memories to share. He always wanted to go back and visit Montauk. I am sure most of us all have stories that pertain to James and any visit to Montauk you had with James. I'll leave this one comment, "Thanks James for making sure I didn't get arrested!"

I will miss your calls at any time of day. He always ended our calls with "Love ya brother and say hello to your wonderful wife. Still having trouble digesting that he has left us.

God, please be patient with his soul. He was a good man who always wanted people to happy, even if he disagreed with your politics.



Chubbs - January 25, 2023 at 12:42 PM

 Cathy Cavanaugh Hubbard

“ I'm so honored to have been able to call James a friend. Any time spent with James was an adventure. Will miss you dearly.



Cathy Cavanaugh Hubbard - January 25, 2023 at 10:37 AM

DV

“ Dominick Veza lit a candle in memory of James McNally Hennessy



dominick veza - January 24, 2023 at 04:31 PM