



Joseph O'Dea

December 24, 2022

Joseph O'Dea, age 85, of Dumont, NJ formerly of the Bronx, NY and Tullabrack, County Clare, Ireland, died Christmas Eve, December 24, 2022. Beloved husband of Mary B. O'Dea, (nee McMahan). Devoted father of Patrick (partner Becky), Kevin (wife Robin), Caroline Vianden (husband Brian) and Joseph (wife Laura). Loving grandfather of Kylie Vianden-Reaman (Husband Kyle), Kerianne Vianden, Brian Vianden Jr., Shane, Ryan, Patrick and Colin O'Dea. Predeceased by grandsons Joseph and Sean O'Dea. Cherished Great-grandfather of Braelyn Clare Reaman.

Dear brother of Martin O'Dea (wife Mary), sisters, Mae Burke, Margaret Bohannon (husband Mick) and Teresa Brown. Predeceased by brothers Michael, Patrick and Christopher O'Dea. Dear brother in law of Tom and Ann Murray, John and Kitty McMahan, Nora Madden, John and Bridie Mahoney and Patrick McMahan.

Joseph is survived by numerous loving nephews and nieces here in America and in Ireland and predeceased by his adored niece Mary Culligan (nee O'Dea)

Joseph arrived in NYC from Ireland on St. Patrick's Day, 1956. He worked for Grand Central Railroad, NYC and then S.B. Thomas' Bakery for 30 years. Joseph was the Bergen Irish Association's Man of the Year in 2000 and a former member of their Board of Directors. He was an active member of the Rockland Irish American Association in NY. During his time in the Bronx he was a founding member of the Our Lady of Refuge Little League organization. Joseph was an accomplished Little League baseball manager/coach leading two of his teams to championships in the Bronx.

A funeral mass will be on December 30, 2022 at 11:00 am at St. Therese of Lisieux Church, 120 Monroe Avenue, Cresskill, NJ 07626. Burial to follow at Maryrest Cemetery 770 Darlington Ave, Mahwah, NJ 07430.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made in Joseph's name to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, Memphis, TN.

Cemetery Details

Maryrest Cemetery

770 Darlington Ave
Mahwah, NJ 07430

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

DEC 30. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Therese of Lisieux Church
120 Monroe Ave
Cresskill, NJ 07626-1405
(201) 567-2528

Tribute Wall

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“ dear Mary. Pat, Kevin, Caroline and Joseph. We were the luckiest people when you moved across the street from us. Over the years we went from neighbors to friend. Sharing bbq and fun times. we will miss Joe so much with his good humor and lots of stories of his life and family. We will always remember our good friend and will always be there if you and family need us. Love Ed and Alberta

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