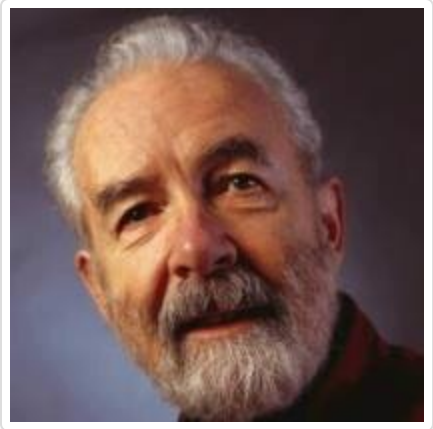

James D. Mahoney

June 11, 2021

James Daniel Mahoney, a longtime resident of Teaneck, died on June 11 at home in Boynton Beach, Florida, where he lived for the last four years. Jim was born on August 21, 1941, in the Bronx, N.Y., as a first-generation American to Patrick and Ellen Mahony (nee Sullivan), who both hailed from Ireland.

For more than four decades, he was a parishioner at St. Anastasia's Parish in Teaneck.

At 27, after spending time in the seminary with the Dominican Order, he married the love of his life, Barbara Anne Gaynor, whom he had met in Rockaway, NY when they were teenagers and had dated before he went into the seminary.

Jim was Associate Superintendent of Schools for the Archdiocese of New York for the better part of thirty years, before his retirement in 2005. In addition, he was a lifelong reader and teacher, delving into areas as erudite as mysticism, and as accessible as movies. A natural raconteur and following in the shoes of the Irish who preceded him, Jim loved to be the center of attention at any party and was a true believer in "the more the merrier."

He is survived by his daughters Stacey Anne (New York) and her husband Karl O'Toole, and Kirsten (California) and her husband Joshua Stern; grandson Tobias Seamus Stern (California); brother Patrick Mahony (Canada); as well as nieces Karen Smith (Teaneck) and Evelyn Gaynor (Chicago), nephews Brian Mahoney (California), Charles and Christopher

Mahony (Canada), and Alexander Gaynor (Massachusetts), and many other extended family members.

He was preceded in death by his adored wife, Barbara Anne Mahoney, and by his beloved brother, Michael Mahoney.

The family will receive friends from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. on Wednesday at Volk Leber Funeral Home, 789 Teaneck Road, Teaneck. A funeral service celebrating his life will be celebrated Thursday at 10 a.m. at St. Anastasia Catholic Church, 1095 Teaneck Road, Teaneck. Thereafter, there will be a green burial (no flowers permitted) at Maryrest Cemetery, 770 Darlington Avenue, Mahwah.

In lieu of flowers, please feel free to make a donation to your library of choice.

Cemetery Details

Maryrest Cemetery

770 Darlington Avenue
Mahwah, NJ 07430

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **16**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Volk Leber Funeral Home
789 Teaneck Road
Teaneck, NJ 07666
info@volkleber.com
http://www.volkleber.com

Visitation

JUN **16**. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Volk Leber Funeral Home
789 Teaneck Road
Teaneck, NJ 07666
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Funeral Mass

JUN **17**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Church of St. Anastasia
1095 Teaneck Rd
Teaneck, NJ 07666
(201) 837-3354

Tribute Wall

DB

I do not know if this is too late to post. Jim was my very best friend having met at Cardinal Hayes H.S. We connected after many years , in Syracuse when he came to Bishop O'Keefe's funeral, and at one other time for a relative's [Barbara Ann's niece?] graduation. We did stay in touch by email and phone even up to his Florida days.

Daniel Bassano - January 30 at 11:46 AM

James D. Mahoney

October 08, 2023 at 09:59 PM

James D. Mahoney

October 08, 2023 at 06:27 PM

James D. Mahoney

August 30, 2022 at 02:48 PM

JC

Kirsten and Stacey Anne,

I was so glad I was able to be there for your dad's (and mom's) wake, funeral and repast. Although many of our colleagues who worked with your dad were not able to be there, we nonetheless continue to celebrate his life!

Charlie told me that the bear your dad gave him is on his bedroom dresser, just as the one you gave me is now on my bedroom dresser. The bamboo windchime now hangs in our gazebo across from the meadow in which the two "Mahoney Oaks" tower. These temporal reminders of your parents mean a great deal to me as they give me a tangible way to stay connected with your parents each day. I know however that their presence in my life transcends these things -- as it should and for which I am deeply blessed.

The two of you, your dad, and your mom will forever hold a special place in my heart.

Jim Cultrara

Jim Cultrara - June 22, 2021 at 01:52 PM

JL

God Bless you Seamus. Never will we forget your crazy laugh, gift of Blarney, love of chocolate, your famous Manhattans.
Many wonderful memories down the shore and your many walks in the woods with Larry. 😘
Together forever with your beautiful Barbara Anne.
Rest In Peace my friend, we will miss you.
Love Larry and Joyce

joyce langan - June 16, 2021 at 09:31 PM

DD

Stacey & Family,
My condolences on the loss of your dad, James. I know how much he was loved and respected by his family, friends and those who knew him.
Mr. Daniel DeBari

Daniel DeBari - June 15, 2021 at 06:17 PM

TF

The Dixons (Ron, Mark, Rhonda, Natalie,& families) purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of James D. Mahoney.

The Dixons (Ron, Mark, Rhonda, Natalie,& families) - June 15, 2021 at 11:34 AM

JG

Dear Kirsten and Stacey Anne and families, you are in our thoughts and prayers. We, Denise, Felix and myself loved Jim. He was blessed with the inherent gift of both the blarney and the gab that magnificently flowed continually from his mad Irish mind. Still reading his annual Christmas document. His colorful oratories will be missed. We will forever be grateful that Seamus and that he always put a smile on our hearts.
God Bless and sweet Rest Jim.

JP Gaynor & Felix Heng

JP Gaynor - June 14, 2021 at 09:28 PM

Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James D. Mahoney.

June 14, 2021 at 08:41 PM