



Hugh M Patterson

May 22, 1937 - November 24, 2015

Hugh M. Patterson, age 78, of Wilmington, DE, passed away peacefully Tuesday, November 24, 2015. Hugh graduated from Penn State College with a Masters Degree in Education. He went on to teach physics at Conrad and Wilmington High Schools – a job that he loved. He was an Eagle Scout and avid golfer. Hugh enjoyed watching football and reading – especially Stephen King and Tom Clancy. Most of all Hugh will be remembered as a loving, caring man who cherished his family and adored his grandchildren.

Hugh is survived by his daughter, Denise Marino (William); long time companion, Ginny; grandchildren, Leah and Michael Marino; brother, A.K. Patterson; and sister, Martha Kline (James). He was preceded in death by his son, Kenneth Patterson; and parents, A.K. and Martha Patterson.

Friends are invited to a graveside service will be held Tuesday, December 1, 2015 at 11 AM in Gracelawn Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent in Hugh's memory to Heartland Hospice, 5661 Ocheltree Lane, Wilmington, DE 19808 or The Food Bank of Delaware, 14 Garfield Way, Newark, DE 19713. For directions or to send an online condolence, visit www.stranofeeley.com

Previous Events

Burial

DEC 1. 12:00 PM (ET)

Gracelawn Memorial Park
2220 N. DuPont Highway
New Castle, DE

Tribute Wall

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“ Coach Patterson asked me if I played golf as a freshman at Wilmington High School. My answer was no his response was putting my hands on a club to hold all winter with no choice but to play for his team. I only played one year at Wilmington High before transferring to Alexis I DuPont, but he taught me everything I needed for the next 10 years. That one year helped me make states 4 and play in college. That one year had me come back to help coach Patterson for a season. As a golf instructor I passed that love for the game to over 5000 others from beginners to touring professionals. Coach Patterson changed my life by teaching me the great game of golf. His plan for me has changed the lives of many.

Bruce Chelucci - December 18, 2020 at 08:24 AM

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“ Mr. Patterson had an impact on my life in 11th grade as "the" Physics teacher at Conrad. However, it is demeanor and personality, both inside and outside the classroom, that I recall most fondly. We had informal volleyball games against the faculty and he was their ace spiker and a bit of a quiet trash talker (a friendly guy's guy challenging tactic not unlike some of his teaching tactics). I'm certain that he had an impact on everyone he encountered as well. My deepest sympathy to the family; he was a good man and will be missed.

JOHN SHAW - November 30, 2015 at 08:52 AM

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“ *Mr Patterson was my Physics teacher at H. C. Conrad High School. Until having his class, I had been unclear what I wanted to pursue in college. He brought Physics to life as my undergraduate major. He was a great teacher and taught me so much. My heartfelt sympathy to his family in their time of loss. He has affected the lives of many, and he will be missed. Sharon (Hitchens) Trauth, Class of 1974.*

Sharon Trauth - November 29, 2015 at 09:21 PM

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“ *Mr. Patterson was my physics teacher at Conrad High School and it was because of his gentle encouragement that I continued to believe in myself. To this day I remember him taking the time to say what he said to me. He was a kind, caring man. Conrad and his students were truly blessed. My deepest sympathy to his family. Cheryl Janulewicz Cavanaugh, Class of 1970*

Cheryl Janulewicz Cavanaugh - November 29, 2015 at 03:09 PM