



Donald M. Pentz

April 7, 1952 - January 6, 2015

Donald M. Pentz, 62, passed away peacefully to the Lord on Tuesday January 6, 2015 at Morristown Medical Center surrounded by his loving family. He was born in Elizabeth, NJ the son of the late John D. and Jane Pentz. He has been a resident of Chester, NJ for the past 22 years. Mr. Pentz was a structural designer working for various engineering firms over the years. He was an avid fisherman and sports fan. He enjoyed playing golf and loved the outdoors and nature. His greatest joy was his family. Mr. Pentz was a member of St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church in Hillsborough, NJ. He is survived by his loving wife of 37 years Elizabeth T. Pentz of Chester, NJ, his son Donald J. Pentz and wife Paola of Somerset, NJ, and daughters Laura E. Como and husband Biagio of Branchburg, NJ and Melissa J. Tyminski and husband Ronald of Chester, NJ, his brother Douglas Pentz of Winfield Park, NJ and sister Barbara Pentz of Winfield Park, NJ. He is also survived by his 2 cherished grandchildren Vivienne and Victoria. The viewing is Sunday January 11, 2015 from 2 to 6 PM at Ketusky Funeral Home, 1310 Brooks Blvd., Manville, NJ. (908)575-8512. The Funeral is Monday January 12, 2015 9 AM from the Ketusky Funeral Home followed by 10 AM Divine Liturgy at St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church in Hillsborough, NJ. Burial will follow at St. Gertrude Cemetery in Colonia, NJ.

Cemetery Details

Saint Gertrude Cemetery

53 Inman Ave.
Colonia, NJ 07067

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 11. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Ketusky Funeral Home
1310 Brooks Blvd - PO Box 747
Manville, NJ 08835
(908) 575-8512
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Service

JAN 12. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church
1900 Brooks Blvd.
Hillsborough, NJ 08844

Tribute Wall

RT

“ Pops,
You are the single greatest man I ever met in my entire life. You are the definition of a Man's Man. You taught me so much, and I can only hope to be half of the man you are! The love that you have for your family, the leadership that you display every day, and your ability to handle the most difficult situations with dignity and class are simply amazing. You gave me the greatest blessing I ever had that day in your back yard when I asked you for your daughters hand in marriage. In typical Pops fashion, you stood up, gave me the biggest hug I ever got in my life, and said "Welcome to the Family" as we both cried tears of happiness. Pops, I promised you that day, and I promise you today and forever, I will ALWAYS take care of your baby Melissa. Pops, we are not just father and son in law, we are best buds. Countless hours we sat around and watched the ball games and complained about the Mets. Pops, you are a Stellar man, and knowing you made me a better person. I love you with all of my heart and I will forever cherish our times together. Every time I watch a Mets game I will look up to you in honor of you. I love you Pops, Rest in Peace, and see you again one day down the road.

Ronald Tyminski - January 10, 2015 at 07:27 PM

VB

“ So shocked and sad to hear this news today. Remembering Donald growing up in the Reformed Church of Linden as my friend Barb's , little Brother. Always a sweet , easy going kid . I recall going to his wedding with Barb and Doug. I believed I sang at it ! A good soul and my heart goes out to All the Family. May he be with his Lord this Day in Heaven! Be Blessed.

Valerie Kastner Boyle - January 10, 2015 at 03:50 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Donald M. Pentz.*



January 10, 2015 at 12:33 PM



“ *I grew up with Don, Barb, & Doug. We shared many great times together with our church family-the best times of my life. I always found Don to be a sweet, gentle soul. My heart aches for your family and friends. I am so sorry for this profound, untimely loss.*

Lauren Palermo - January 10, 2015 at 12:11 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Donald M. Pentz.*



January 10, 2015 at 11:54 AM



“ *Hasbi. Aydin purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Donald M. Pentz.*



Hasbi. Aydin - January 10, 2015 at 08:56 AM

BP

“ I met Don Pentz in Miss Nichol’s kindergarten class at School No. 1 in Linden. For the next 6 years, he and I became friends, especially since, as his last name began with Pen, and mine began with Pet, he would always sit either in front of or behind me, depending on the order of the alphabet for that particular teacher. And we both “enjoyed” the same teachers throughout grade school. We fell a little out of touch during the Junior High and High School years, but would still see each other on occasion at the Athletic Field near both our houses after school. But during the summer we graduated, he and I rediscovered our friendship while hanging out at the “Pond” (McGillivray’s) in Linden, and we remained close friends from then on. The Jersey Shore. Fraternity parties at GIA and ASM, where we met many “colorful” characters. Culver’s Lake. The Route 9/35 “clubs” at night. Many, many good times. Don and I were both married in 1977, and we began our respective families also in the same year, in 1979. After this, even though we didn’t see each other as often due to the time demands of raising families, he and I, and our other friends Bruce, Dave, “Zip”, “Zuke”, Tom and Rich would make time to see each other at least a few times during the year. Over the years we created a lot of fond memories with each other, which I am thinking about as I type this. Good, happy memories, many of which would only be funny when shared between good, close friends. And that is how I will remember my good friend, Don Pentz, a loving, decent human being. For as long as those memories are remembered, so is our friend, Don. Rest in Peace, old friend. My sincere condolences at this difficult time to Betty, Donnie, Laura, Melissa and their families.

Bill Petraitis - January 10, 2015 at 08:14 AM

BI

“ You truly are spectacular dad. I love and miss you so much, you were a shooting star among us ordinary stars, It will be very difficult without you here with us, but I know where you are you truly are at peace and that is how we can find comfort and in knowing we will meet again one day. You are truly an inspiration to me, the strongest man I know, the true Man of Steel.

This quote is from a movie.

"In the end none of us have very long on this earth. Life is fleeting. And if you're ever distressed, cast your eyes to the summer skies, when the stars are strung across the velvety night, and a shooting star streaks through the blackness turning night into day. Make a wish. Think of me. Make your life spectacular. I know I did."

I love you dad.

Biagio

Biagio - January 09, 2015 at 02:21 PM

MT

“ Every memory of you Daddy is amazing. I love you more than words can say. You are the greatest man I ever knew and the best husband and father. I will miss you forever and a day won't pass that I won't think of you and how much I love you. You are at peace now. I love you forever, Missy.

melissa tyminski - January 09, 2015 at 10:48 AM