JOSEPH COGAN



Joseph Patrick Cogan, 79

Tottenville High teacher; beloved husband and father

Joseph Patrick Cogan, 79, passed away peacefully on Aug. 1, 2017.

Joseph was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., and he moved to Staten Island in January 1971. He worked for many years as a high school history teacher at Tottenville High School in S.I.

He also taught economics at the Academy of Finance. Prior to becoming a teacher, he served in the Army from 1958 to 1960.

Joseph was a member of the American Irish Teachers Association, the Irish American Heritage Center, and the Irish History Roundtable.

He was an early member of Richmond County Pipes and Drums, and fervently enjoyed marching in parades. Most recently, he served as Pipe Major Emeritus.

Joseph and his beloved wife, Ann, loved to travel, including memorable jaunts to Russia, France, Egypt, Morocco and Ireland. Other activities included crossword puzzles, avid reading, and watching "Jeopardy."

He was also an avid Brooklyn Dodgers fan, and an equally avid fan of the NY Mets, a pastime that gave him much pleasure and constant agita.

He was predeceased by his parents; his sisters, Katy and Peggy, and his brother, Tommy. Survivors include his wife, Ann; his three children, Joseph, Brian, and Sean; grandson, Gavin; granddaughter, Cara; nephew, Dan and great-niece, Katy.

The wake will be at Casey Funeral Home on Thursday, Aug. 3 from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. The Funeral Mass will be at St. Theresa's Church on Friday, Aug. 4 at 10:45 a.m., followed by burial at St. Peter's Cemetery. Casey Funeral Home 350 Slosson Ave

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