



Francis Xavier Sheehan

October 15, 1929 - February 20, 2019

On February 20, 2019, Francis (Frank) Xavier Sheehan passed away peacefully at the age of 89 at his home in Queenstown, MD, surrounded by his loved ones.

A native of Washington, D.C., he was born in the North East neighborhood of Brookland on October 15, 1929. He graduated from Gonzaga High School and Georgetown University. During the Korean War, Frank served in the US Army, earning the Combat Infantry Badge and two Bronze Stars with Combat V's for valor. Following college, Frank served as a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and later worked for the US Department of Commerce. In retirement, he enjoyed watching the Terps, fishing, growing plants, and opening a small family nursery, Sheehan's Flowers, in College Park, MD.

While with the FBI, Frank met and married his wife of 62 years, Mamie (Runyon) Sheehan. Together they had 10 children who they raised in a home filled with love. Frank's priorities were God, family, the Redskins and hardshell crabs. He maintained close bonds with all of his children, their spouses, and childhood friends from Brookland in DC. He was giving and had a great sense of humor all the way to the end.

Frank is survived by his wife, Mamie; daughters, Patty (Tom) Lazik, Carol

(Tarus) Donham- Whytsell, Ellen (John) Mills, Mary (Bip) Reb, Margaret (Mike) Garretson, and Nancy (Kevin) Cox; sons, John (Laurie) Sheehan, Frank (Tomiyo) Sheehan, Tom (Susana) Sheehan, Charlie (Debbie) Sheehan; brother, Bill (Marcella) Sheehan; 33 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. Frank was preceded in death by his parents, John and Winifred Sheehan and sister, Margaret Sheehan.

A service in celebration of Frank's life will be held on Saturday, March 2, 2019, at 11 am, at Our Mother of Sorrows Catholic Church in Centreville, MD. A visitation will be held on Friday, March 1, 2019, from 6pm to 8pm, at the Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. in Chester, MD.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 1. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Chester Location / Kent Island
106 Shamrock Road
Chester, MD 21619
(410) 643-2226
info@fhnfuneralhome.com

celebration of life

MAR 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Mother of Sorrows Church
303 Chesterfield Avenue
Centreville, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Francis Xavier Sheehan* ”



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - March 01, 2019 at 08:49 AM



“ *Francis Xavier Sheehan* ”

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Francis Xavier Sheehan* ”

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Francis Xavier Sheehan* ”

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM

BC

“ Dear Mamie and family,
It has been so long... 55 years. I am very sorry to hear of Frank's passing. i just learned the sad news. I know he will bring smiles and laughter to his new friends in heaven.
You may not remember me, but I will never forget our children playing together in Pacific Grove, Ca at language school. Dean Martin and "Everybody Loves Somebody..."
I will never forget you and Frank and your beautiful family.
RIP, Frank.
Bruce Cosacchi
Hansville, Wa.

pb200606@yahoo.com

BRUCE COSACCHI - May 21, 2019 at 01:32 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Francis Xavier Sheehan.



March 02, 2019 at 07:58 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Francis Xavier Sheehan.



March 01, 2019 at 10:43 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Francis Xavier Sheehan.



March 01, 2019 at 09:30 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Francis Xavier Sheehan.



February 28, 2019 at 06:00 PM



“ From Jerry & Lillie Orrison and Family purchased the America the Beautiful for the family of Francis Xavier Sheehan.



From Jerry & Lillie Orrison and Family - February 28, 2019 at 03:32 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Francis Xavier Sheehan.



February 28, 2019 at 01:34 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Francis Xavier Sheehan.



February 28, 2019 at 08:34 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Francis Xavier Sheehan.



February 28, 2019 at 12:07 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Francis Xavier Sheehan.



February 27, 2019 at 02:04 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Francis Xavier Sheehan.



February 27, 2019 at 10:42 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams* was purchased for the family of Francis Xavier Sheehan.



February 27, 2019 at 08:54 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Francis Xavier Sheehan.



February 24, 2019 at 02:28 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Francis Xavier Sheehan.



February 24, 2019 at 10:55 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Francis Xavier Sheehan.



February 23, 2019 at 01:55 PM

KA

“ To Mrs. Sheehan and your whole Big loving family, Our deepest sympathy in the loss of your soulmate, Father, and friend. What an Amazing Man he was. I know for sure he was a very special man to our Big O'Brien family.

So many memories from the July 4 cookouts at Caseys when we were younger, the Brookland Club picnics, family gatherings. One thing was certain you could be sure to see that Mr Sheehan grin and he could engage you forever with his stories and make you feel so special. Heaven surely got a bit better this week . Much love to all of you. God Bless. Bob and Kathleen Shelton



Kathleen - February 22, 2019 at 05:32 PM

CD

“ Dear Mamie and family. I'm so sad to hear of Mr Sheehans passing. I always felt like he was an uncle to me and my brothers. My dad always spoke of him and told stories of their younger years. I know he was my dad's best friend. When I heard I broke into tears . It was a reminder of the loss of my dad. You see, after dad's passing anytime I saw the 2 of you , Mr Sheehan always told a funny story about "IWO"., my dad. I am sure dad is waiting at the pearly gates saying.... it's about time Frank!!!! Know that you all are in our families prayers and hearts. God Bless. You will ALWAYS be family to us! God Bless America! Carrie O'Brien Dworshak❤️🕊️🇺🇸

Carrie O'Brien Dworshak - February 22, 2019 at 04:35 PM