Williams Funeral Home

## Patrick "Paddy" Joseph Morgan

01/18/1931 - 08/14/2019



## Obituary for Patrick "Paddy" Joseph Morgan

MORGAN – Patrick Joseph "Paddy" of St. Thomas, passed away peacefully, surrounded by his loving family following a short illness, at the St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital on Wednesday, August 14th, 2019. He was 88 years of age, as he would proudly tell you. Paddy was the beloved husband and best friend of Mary Pauline (O'Doherty) who passed away just 10 months ago. Adored father of Mary Morgan and Michael Morgan (Patty). Dear brother of Michael Morgan, John Morgan, Gerald Morgan, Maureen Morgan, Harry Morgan, Peggy Connolly, Desmond Morgan, Brendan Morgan, Kenneth Morgan and Geraldine Murphy. He is predeceased by Vincent Morgan, Laura Curran and Francis "Frank" "Fra" Morgan. Lovingly remembered by several brother and sister-in-law's, as well as a number of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends in Canada, Ireland, England, Australia, New Zealand and the United States. Paddy was born in Cootehill, County Cavan, Ireland on January 18th, 1931, son of the late Michael Joseph and Catherine Anne (Dooley) Morgan. He was raised in Dundalk, Co. Louth Ireland.

Living true to his adventurous nature, he left Ireland to explore Canada, and Northern Alberta specifically, landing in Fort McMurray in 1956. He then brought his partner in life and adventure to Canada, and together they lived in Edmonton, Alberta and then moved to Ontario and the communities of Holtyre, Kirkland Lake and Moosonee prior to moving to St. Thomas, where he and Pauline settled and became active members of their community. Paddy was inquisitive by nature and with each move to a new community he met new friends and learned new skills. He was fortunate to meet a mentor who encouraged him to pursue Teacher's College and he never looked back. Paddy taught for 25 years and retired in 1989 after a successful and very memorable teaching career.

Paddy was a long-time member of St. Anne's Catholic Parish, member of the Knight of Columbus Council #1467, Past Grand Knight, Past Faithful Navigator, former District Deputy, member of the St. Thomas Golden "K" Kiwanis Club and member of the St. Thomas Curling Club.

Paddy's family want to acknowledge and thank the staff at the St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital who respectfully and expertly cared for Paddy. These staff members include but are not limited to Dr. Shah, Kathryn and James in Emerg., Dr. Black, Dr. Metz and the OR nurses from Surgical Services, Dr. Cieslak, Dr. Ahmed, Hayley, Teresa, Deb, Janet and Lisa in ICU and Scott on the 4th floor.

Resting at Williams Funeral Home, 45 Elgin Street, St. Thomas, where visitation will be held on Friday August 23, 2019 from 2-4pm and 7-9pm. Prayers will be recited at the funeral home on Friday August 23, 2019 at 4pm. Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at St. Anne's Parish on Saturday August 24, 2019 at 10:00am. Interment to follow in Holy Angels' Cemetery. Donations may be made to Kidney Foundation of Canada or to the St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital Foundation in Paddy's memory.

## **GUEST BOOK**

To the Morgan Family... Sorry for your loss on this wonderful character. Mr. Morgan was my teacher & friend from Parkside in the early 80s. PS He was also known as Captain Kangaroo as some of us known him as you can see why. Sure going to miss this fella!! RIP Mr. Morgan, until we meet again.

- Ken Lizotte

So sorry for your loss. Paddy was an exceptional person.