

JAMES PATRICK MOLONEY



A beloved father and grandfather, and retired Penn Hills K-9 Police Officer, passed away Saturday, March 16, 2024, at the age of 84. Son of the late Joseph and Willa Moloney; husband of Lucille (Palumbo) Moloney and the late Louise (Pompelio); beloved father of Maureen (Keith) Gamble, Colleen (James) Joyce, and Christine (Michael) Powers; special father of Susan (Jeff) Litzinger, Sandra McLade, and Julie

(Stephen) Kundrat; brother of Judith Roberts and the late Roger, Mary Margaret, Joan, and Phillip; grandfather of Marissa (Jessalyn) Penvose, Kyle Powers, and James Joyce, Jr.; special grandfather of Jennifer, Ryan, Megan, Taylor, and Krysten; great-pap to Dallas, Tristan, Tatum, Beckham, Callum, Rayven, and Baby Cienna James. Also

survived by numerous nieces and nephews. Patrick served in the U.S. Navy and became a Penn Hills Police Officer, where he was recognized in 1982 as Policeman of the Year. He was active in the North American Police Work Dog Association (N.A.P.W.D.A.) as a Master Trainer, where he held multiple offices including President. After 27 years of service on the Penn Hills Police Department, he retired and started Moloney's K-9 Academy in 1990. There he continued to serve local communities, and his country, with Search and Rescue and obedience training. He also assisted in various areas of police work with many police departments throughout the United States. Additional volunteer work included public relations for the K-9 Corps, girls' basketball coaching for St. John the Baptist School, and numerous activities for his church. In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial donation to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758516, Topeka, KS 66675. Friends received in the **WILLIAM F. GROSS FUNERAL HOME, LTD.**, 11735 Frankstown Road (at Rodi Road), Penn Hills on Thursday, March 21, 2024, from 5-8 p.m. and Friday, March 22, 2024, from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Funeral prayers will be held at the funeral home, Saturday, March 23, 2024, at 10:15 a.m. A Mass of Christian Burial will follow at Holy Family Parish St. John the Baptist Church, 444 Saint John St., Plum, PA 15239 at 11 a.m.

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