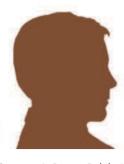
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Ralph David Pagone, age 80, on Thursday, July 18, 2024, of Franklin Park (formerly of Ross Twp.) Beloved son of the late Frank R. Pagone and the late Elizabeth Lee "Betty" (Cahilli) Pagone, and beloved son-in-law of the late Ralph J. DeMar and Mary Jane (Dougherty) DeMar. Devoted husband of 61 years of Geraldine "Gerry" R. (DeMar) Pagone. Loving father of Renee (Pagone) Doerr and her husband of 61 years of Geraldine "Gerry" R. (DeMar) Pagone. Loving father of Renee (Pagone) Doerr and her husband J. Pagone and the late Ronald J. Pagone. Proud grandfather and "Pappy" to Brittney A. Pagone and her husband Joel M. Suen, Joshua A. Doerr and his wife, Jasmine D. (Idak) Doerr, Alexa E. Pagone, Kendall A. Doerr and her husband Joel M. Suen, Joshua A. Doerr and his wife, Jasmine D. (Idak) Doerr, Alexa E. Pagone, Kendall A. Doerr and her husband Joel M. Suen, Joshua A. Doerr and his wife, Jasmine D. (Idak) Doerr, Alexa E. Pagone, Kendall A. Doerr and her husband Joel M. Suen, Joshua A. Doerr and his wife, Jasmine D. (Idak) Doerr, Alexa E. Pagone, Kendall A. Doerr and her husband Joel M. Grace, Lauren M. Pagone, and Olivia J. Pagone. Great-grandfather to Leah, Joel, Jr. (J.), Jackson, and Grace. Brother-in-law to Jacquie DeMar, Janet Diel (DeMar) and the late Frank J. Diel, and Cindy DeMar. Brother of Beverly Crowell (Pagone), Arlene Alonso (Pagone), Marilyn Pagone, and the raised his family as Catholic. Jesus Christ Superstar was one of his all-time favorite movies. As his health started to decline over the past few years, he would often say that God has a plan for us all, and when it's time to go, it's time to go. On Thursday, July 18, Ralph laid down for his patented mid-day "nap" and peacefully left us to be with God and others who have gone before him.

Ralph graduated from Allegheny High School on the NorthSide of Pittsburgh and soon after began his life's journey of starting a family with his high school sweetheart Gerry. To build a better life for himself and his family, Ralph began working 2 – 3 jobs to help pay

Ine team was recognized for their quick action by the P.A.T. Board. He eventually was able to retire with 30 years of service at age 50.

Another aspect of Ralph's life was his commitment to giving back to his community. In the early to mid-1970s, he joined the Mt. Troy Volunteer Fire Department (Station 317) in Reserve Twp. as a volunteer firefighter. For the next 45+years, no matter which community he lived in, he continued to volunteer, initially as a firefighter, then transitioning to the EMS side of things, first as an EMT, then continued in the next 45 years of his life at Peebles VFC (Station 188) in McCandless, Highland VFD (Station 186) in McCandless, Highland VFD (Station 186) in McCandless, McCandless, Franklin Park Ambulance Authority (Station 130) in McCandless, and Berkeley Hills VFC (Station 247) in Ross Twp. He held various ranks and positions throughout this time, from Lieutenant, Captain, President, Vice President, Fire Prevention Director, QRS Coordinator, CPR Coordinator, and Board Member.

Given his passion for safety and preparedness, Ralph started his own business in retirement, teaching C.P.R. and First Aid throughout Pittsburgh and Allegheny County. He and his wife Gerry taught numerous police officers, firefighters, doctors, dentists, nurses, lifeguards, elder care workers, churches, college students, Boy Scout Troops, Girl Scout Troops, pharmacists, etc.

He also taught for years at the Community College of Allegheny County and Berkeley Hills VFD Station 247 in Ross Twp. In over 30 years of teaching, the number of lives they have touched is unquantifiable.

There will be a Mass of Christian Burial this Saturday, July 27, 2024, at St. Alexis Church at St. Alden Parish, 10090 Old Perry Highway, Wexford (McCandless), PA, at 9:30 AM. Immediately after mass, there will be a firefighter/EMS/fist responder procession to lead Ralph from church to his final resting place and final call at the North Side Cemetery on Cemetery Lane in Ross Twp. All Fire/EMS/Police wanting to participate in the pr

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