

# JOSEPH THOMAS O'TOOLE



Of Pittsburgh, PA, passed away peacefully at home on August 23, 2024, at the age of 84.

Beloved husband of 65 years to Diane (Napieracz); loving father of Karen (Martin) Holmes, Joseph, Jr. (Michele), Janet (Ron) Hollingsworth and Lynn (Chuck) Rose; proud Pap Pap of Tim (Vania), Chris (Leighla), and Jacob (Epiphany) Holmes, Maul, Joseph III, Kevin (Samantha), Maggie and Aiden (Rachel)

O'Toole, Connor and Ian Danielson and Emily, Sarah and Cayden Rose; great-Pap Pap of Martin, Ollie, Eamon and Evelyn; son of the late James and Rita O'Toole; brother of Patrick (Amy) O'Toole, and the late James (survived by Janice) O'Toole, Martin O'Toole, Eileen (Thomas) Carey and Terry (survived by Kitty) O'Toole. Also survived by his "adopted" kids, Hung Dang and Fr. Charles Niwagaba; and many loving nieces, nephews, and their families. Joe was the backbone of the family and was considered a solid sounding board for friends, neighbors, and colleagues alike. Joe was also the unofficial ambassador for the city of Pittsburgh, happily taxiing visiting family members and friends all around his favorite sites. He worked for the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue, managing the Pittsburgh Inheritance Tax Division. He also spent many years as a proud union member, and served as treasurer and union president, successfully negotiating the move from Three Rivers Stadium for all union employees to the new PNC Park and Heinz Field. His career with the Pirates started at the tender age of 14, working as a bat boy for the visiting team. His love of the game continued throughout his life. He was a true fan of all Pittsburgh sports teams, and was thrilled to attend the 2009 Super Bowl in Tampa, FL. Joe loved his family, especially Diane, his "bride" of 65 years. Devoted and beloved Dad, Joe coached, cheered on, and taxied his children, and their friends all over town. In later years, he enjoyed attending events for his grandchildren, nieces, and nephews. Any and all music, scouting, theater, dance, and sporting events were attended by Pap Pap. He will be deeply missed by many. Friends will be received at the **JOHN F. SLATER FUNERAL HOME, INC.**, 412-881-4100, 4201 Brownsville Road, Brentwood 15227, Tuesday, August 27, 2024, from 3-8 p.m. A Blessing Service will be held Wednesday morning at 10:00 in the funeral home's chapel. In lieu of flowers, donations are encouraged to: Saint Thomas Secondary School, c/o Theresa St. Ledger, 901 40th Avenue, East Moline, IL 61244 or The Little Sisters of the Poor, 1028 Benton Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15212. Please send condolences to

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