

## PATRICK L. BURATTI



Age 80, of Kennedy Township, formerly of Sheraden, on Thursday, January 30, 2025. Beloved husband of Mary Elizabeth (Acciaroli) Buratti. Loving father of LTC Michele L. Buratti RN, MSN, Chief Nurse, U.S. Army and Dena M. (Mark Aloe) White. Proud pappy of Ellese M. White, Gabriella N. White, Sophia B. White and Theresa M. White. Son of the late Nick and Mary Jane (Duff) Buratti. Brother of the late

David Duff and Mary E. Buratti. Brother-in-law of John P. (Charlene) Acciaroli. Pat will be sadly missed by numerous loving nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Patrick attended Langley high school in Sheraden, where he was honored as an all-city football player in 1963. In addition to football, Patrick was also a member of the baseball, basketball and track and field team—still holding the shot put record. Patrick was offered 135 football scholarships but ultimately chose to attend West Virginia University, with his good friend, Joe Taffoni. After being drafted to the Detroit Lions, he returned to Pittsburgh as a walk-on for the Pittsburgh Steelers. Following his football career, Patrick continued his athletic success setting the American powerlifting deadlift record in 2002 for the master division (ages 55-59) trained by Mike Mastrean, whom he held the utmost respect for. His competitive spirit led him to a path of entrepreneurship, where he formed various businesses over the years. Patrick held many friendships, most notably with his life-long friends, Roger and Donna Pennine. He loved meeting up with the infamous “toppers”: Johnny Seretti, Al Tarquinio, Frank Carbone and Ron Crivelli—where it was more laugh than lunch. Patrick’s biggest blessing and greatest love, by far, came with being a pappy to his four granddaughters.

Friends received on Tuesday, February 4, from 4 p.m., until time of Blessing Service at 6:30 p.m., at **BRUSCO-NAPIER FUNERAL SERVICE., LTD.**, 2201 Bensonia Ave., Pgh, PA 15216. Interment will be held privately. To order flowers or to leave a memory of Pat, visit our website:

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