



Donald H. Patzwahl

June 4, 1928 - July 23, 2012

Donald H. Patzwahl, 84, of Greenport, passed away Monday, July 23, 2012 at Community Hospice at Columbia Memorial Hospital surrounded by his loving family.

Born in Hudson on June 4, 1928, he was the son of the late William and Kathryn (Buckley) Patzwahl.

Donald graduated from Hudson High School in 1946. He joined the US Navy and served two years aboard the USS Little Rock. Upon completion of his service to his country in 1948, he returned locally and worked for Hart's Express and later for Harder's Express. He was a 37 year member of Teamsters Local Union 294.

He was a life member of VFW Post 1314, a member of the American Legion Post 0001, a co-founder with Francis Keeler of the Greenport Senior Citizens Club, a life member of the Federation of Polish Sportsmen Club for 60 years, a member of St. Joseph's Church in Stottville, a member of the Greenport Fire Company #1 and also volunteered with the Greenport Fire Police. Donald served as a councilman on the Greenport Town Board for 20 years and recently served on the Greenport Planning Board. He was well-known for his wonderful "sense of humor".

In 1952 he married Marion Barto Patzwahl and settled in Greenport, where they lived the rest of his life and raised their family.

Donald is survived by his beloved wife of 60 years, Marion Patzwahl; his devoted children, Scott (Nancy) Patzwahl of Valatie, Laurie (Robert) Nicholson of Claverack, and Terry (August) Abatecola of Claverack, and eight loving grandchildren, Lucas Nicholson of East Greenbush, Nathan Nicholson of Claverack, August Abatecola, Jr. of Mt Kisco, Kyle Patzwahl of Valatie, Bryanna Abatecola of Athens, Ali Phillips of San Diego, Calif., and Taylor and Hannah Patzwahl, both of Valatie. Also surviving are his brother, William Patzwahl of Claverack, his great-granddaughter, Leah Nicholson of East Greenbush, and several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his brother, Carroll Patzwahl.

Calling hours are 4-7 pm Thursday at the Bates & Anderson - Redmond & Keeler Funeral Home.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be offered at 10 am Friday at St. Joseph's Church in Stottville.

Burial will be in Cedar Park Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to the Columbia Memorial Hospital Foundation.

Tribute Wall

DS

“ I am just hearing about Buddy and soo sorry to the entire family about this great loss. Ma and Buddy were always so wonderful to us growing up as kids. Love you Bud...RIP

~Danielle Scalera

Danielle Scalera - July 31, 2012 at 03:29 PM

PM

“ Scott & Family, sincere sympathy on your loss of Mr. Patzwahl

Phyllis Manuli



Phyllis Manuli - July 31, 2012 at 10:01 AM

RG

“ You were like a member of my own family, you've been there from the day I was born, being my fathers god father and an amazing family friend. I will miss your laugh and smile that could brighten up any day. Rip my friend. You will be missed!



Rebecca garrison - July 28, 2012 at 11:03 AM

EH

“ Marion, Scott ,Laurie ,and Terry,,,,,Very sorry for your tremendous lose,,,,,Always appreciated his freindship and he did have a great sense of humor..... Ernie and Terri Hover

ernest hover - July 27, 2012 at 04:49 AM

CG

“ please accept my condolences for the loss of your loved one.
christopher grimes (UPS)

christopher grimes - July 26, 2012 at 04:07 PM

GP

“ To the Patzwahl family,
*Don will always be a fond memory. He was a fun and joyful person to talk to. He always was a mentor to me at the Federation of Polish Sportsman. I will always remember his smile.
My prayers go out to all the family.
Greg Pottenburgh*

Greg Pottenburgh - July 26, 2012 at 10:10 AM

VF

“ Mrs. Patzwahl and Family,
*The Sheffer, Monaco and Flood Families are very sorry to hear about Mr. Patzwahl. Mom and dad considered him a good friend.
Our sympathies to all of you.*

Valerie Flood - July 25, 2012 at 04:17 PM