



John P. Flaherty

February 26, 1935 - August 8, 2008

John Philip Flaherty, born in Hartford on February 26, 1934, died Friday August 8, 2008 at age 73 following a lengthy and debilitating illness. Son of Mae Boland and Patrick H. Flaherty, John graduated from Newington High School in 1953 and in 1957 from Fairfield University. He served for several years in the Connecticut National Guard, attaining the rank of sergeant. As a young man, John loved playing golf, having been in succession, the caddy master and then the assistant golf professional at Indian Hill Country Club. Upon graduation from college, John briefly attended the University of Connecticut School of Law while embarking on a career in marketing and advertising at Heublein, Lincoln Rochester Bank in Rochester, and then Fidelity Bank in Philadelphia, becoming Director of Advertising and Sales. John loved practical politics and political theory, language and writing, sports, especially the Red Sox, tasteful clothing, and distinctive automobiles. Generous in nature, he never failed to remember the birthdays and important anniversaries of each of his relatives and many friends. He is survived by his sons, J. Kevin Flaherty of Haymarket, Virginia and Major Patrick G. Flaherty of Avon, Connecticut; his former wife, Joan Phillips of Farmington, Connecticut; his brother, Patrick J. Flaherty and sister, Mary Ellen Flaherty of Newington; nieces, Julia B. Bleetstein, Kathleen M. Flaherty and Catherine C. Flaherty; and his nephew, Vincent P. Flaherty. In later life, John began a 20 year career in sales and sales management at the Tufano Motorcar Company in New Britain, Connecticut, where he delighted in serving a large and loyal clientele

in their Chrysler automotive needs. John was a man of great wit and charm, a loyal friend. His many occupational experiences, including advertising and copyrighting, sales, employment recruiting, and litigation paralegal, added to his store of knowledge and lore and provided him with the means to entertain and persuade his customers and colleagues. John was a member of Saint Mary's Church, Newington.

Funeral services are Tuesday 9 AM at Carlson Funeral Home, 45 Franklin Square, New Britain followed by a Mass of Christian Burial 10 AM at St. Mary Church, Willard Ave., Newington. Burial with military honors will be in West Meadow Cemetery, Newington. Calling hours are Monday 5 to 8 PM at Carlson Funeral Home. Memorial donations may be made to the Jerome Home, 975 Corbin Ave., New Britain, CT 06052. Please share a memory or note of sympathy by clicking on "GUESTBOOK" at the bottom of this page.

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“ Dear Pat and Kevin,
I am so sorry to hear of your fathers passing. John and I have shared some great memorable times and stories together. He will be missed not just by me, but the thousands of friends and people he has come in contact with over his time. He was especially influential with my children as they grew up before him and they will always remember him as a great person with a wealth of knowledge and compassion.

From myself and my family,
We are thankful to have known your father and shared many years together. He will be missed but always remebered by his impact he had on our lives.
Sincerely,
Gary Tufano Sr.

Gary Tufano - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ I am sorry to hear that John has passed away. My father first introduced me to John at his barbershop in Newington. As a candidate for public office John offered me friendly, sincere advice. It did not matter that he was a Democrat and I a Republican. I never forgot that gesture.

To John and his family, my thoughts are with you.

Sincerely,
Dom Mazzoccoli

Dominic Mazzoccoli - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ *Dear PG and Kevin,
We were sorry to learn of your father's passing. We know that he had not been well for quite a while, but it still tugs at our memories to think of him and you two. We wish you peace and hope some day you will visit.
Love Joan and Don*

Joan and Don DeBella - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM