



## Charles J. O'Hagan

January 14, 1934 - July 27, 2022

Charles J. O'Hagan of New Haven passed away peacefully on July 27, 2022, surrounded by his loving family. Born Jan. 14, 1934, in Draperstown, Co. Derry, N. Ireland to the late James and Margaret Walsh O'Hagan, he emigrated to Canada in 1954 before settling in New Haven, CT in 1956. He is survived by his daughters MaryJane (Paul) Tremblay of Hamden, Margaret (Joseph) O'Hagan-Lynch of Wallingford, Patricia (Grellan) O'Hagan Kelly of Weymouth, MA; his cherished grandchildren, Meagan (Matt) Tremblay Dameron, Christopher Tremblay, Liz O'Hagan, Theresa and James Lynch, Patrick and Shauna Kelly; his sister-in-law Jean McNally and brother-in-law Harold Renaud of Ontario Canada; many nieces, nephews, and cousins across the globe and an infinite number of treasured friends. He was predeceased by his beloved wife Theresa, his son James and his sister Mary McGlade of Draperstown.

Charlie, known to many of his neighbors as "Mr. Charlie," was always willing to lend a helping hand. As a master carpenter and retired member of the Carpenter's Union, Local 24, he could often be found utilizing his skills volunteering at the Ronald McDonald House, CT Hospice, Sacred Heart Academy, Saint Brendan Church where he was a long-time parishioner, and many other charitable organizations. He designed and built sets for the New Haven Gaelic Players that rivaled those of Broadway. He was an active member of the Irish American Community Center having served as past President and Building Engineer. He was instrumental in starting the New

Haven Irish Feis and has the distinction of being its Master of Ceremony since its inception in 1966. He was a founding member of the New Haven chapter of Irish Northern Aid. His relentless work as part of the Irish Immigration Reform Movement culminated in the passage of what is commonly known as the Morrison Visas. For these and countless other contributions, he was honored as Irish Man of the Year.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Friday morning, Aug. 12 at 11:00 in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Hamden. Burial will follow in All Saints Cemetery. Calling hours at Sisk Brothers Funeral Home, 3105 Whitney Ave., Hamden will be Thursday, Aug. 11 from 4:00-8:00pm. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Irish American Community Center, 9 Venice Place, East Haven, CT 06512. [www.siskbrothers.com](http://www.siskbrothers.com)

# Cemetery Details

## All Saints Cemetery

700 Middletown Ave.  
North Haven, CT

# Previous Events

## Calling hours

AUG 11. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Sisk Brothers Funeral Home  
3105 Whitney Ave.  
Hamden, CT 06518  
(203) 288-7114  
[siskfuneral@sbcglobal.net](mailto:siskfuneral@sbcglobal.net)

## Funeral service

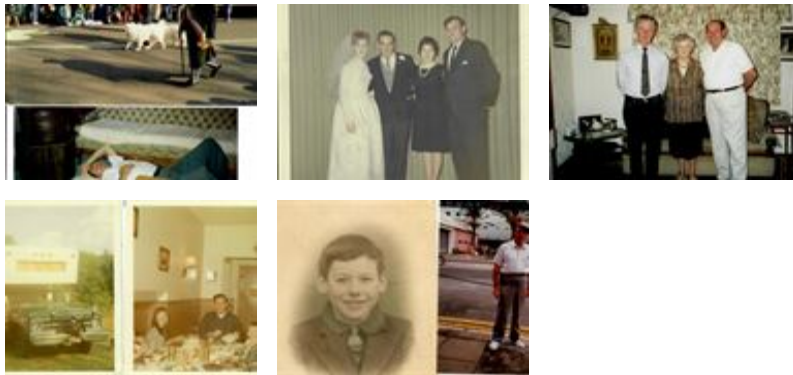
AUG 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church  
2819 Whitney Ave.  
Hamden, CT

# Tribute Wall



“ 57 files added to the album Life Tributes



Sisk Brothers Funeral Home - August 09, 2022 at 09:07 AM

JG

“ Our deepest sympathy. We will pray for Charlie and all the family.  
Jane and Honoria.

Jane Beirne Guire - August 08, 2022 at 11:24 AM

AH

“ Deepest sympathy to the O'Hagan family from Ballinalee, Co. Longford. I arrived in New Haven on a Tuesday in October 1986, Thursday I was working for Charlie, a young 17 yr old who knew it all, Charlie was a pure gentleman with great patience, Put the kettle on would be an hourly command, great memories. Rest in Peace. Adrian Hosey & family.

Adrian Hosey - August 04, 2022 at 04:02 PM

JM

“ My Deepest Condolences to you all. I have the fondest memories of Uncle Charlie always. Sending you all love and prayers ❤️

Jennifer McNally - August 03, 2022 at 09:56 PM

JM

“ I have such beautiful childhood memories of your summer visits and all the joy and kindness you and aunt Theresa and the cousins (and dogs!) brought with you. God bless and RIP and sing a song or 100 with Dad! I love you Uncle Charlie ❤️

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**Jennifer McNally** - August 03, 2022 at 09:53 PM

FB

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Charlie's passing. Her was such a gentleman and I great friend to my dad. I loved chatting with him whenever we crossed paths at the Club. I'm sure he will be sorely missed. Apologies I won't be able to attend his services.

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**fionnuala mackey browning** - August 03, 2022 at 12:30 PM



“ We are sending sincere condolences to your family on the loss of your father. We are saddened on the death of Charlie who has been a lifelong friend. Lovely Derry- Harry & Mary

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**Mary Kennedy** - August 02, 2022 at 05:02 PM

MR

“ I'm so very sad to hear of Charlie's passing.

*Years (several) ago, Charlie did a major renovation to our house, in North Haven at the time. The first day he showed with a small table saw and a big bunch of very wide and long boards, something like 14" wide by 16' long. I was thinking - what is going on and such, you know... Well - Charlie proceeded to make every size board needed from that pile of boards, using that small table saw. Wall studs, trim, window framing, and stair railings. What a beautiful job he did.*

*There was a funny side too:*

*Charlie would come about 10am and expected donuts and tea before starting. At first - Suzanne was thinking - what is going on and such, you know :) But then, she enjoyed Charlie and he was actually a charming guy (god, I can't believe I'm writing that) and she would always have a bunch of his favorites available. Then, Charlie would drop in for his tea and donuts on days when he wasn't going to do any work on our house that day. Long after our job was finished, Charlie continued to drop by about 10am as usual, amazing.*

*For me, that was the Charlie that we all loved.*

*I'm so very sorry for your and our loss.*

*R.I.P. Charlie, we are missing you today.*

*Michael Ryan*

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**Michael Ryan** - August 02, 2022 at 04:41 PM

KG

“ Charlie was a remarkable man. I am a better person for having known him. My love to the family.

Karyn Gallagher - August 02, 2022 at 12:34 PM

TM

“ With deepest sympathy. Remembering your Dad from St. Brendan days. Always a smile on his face. May he Rest In Peace.  
Tom Melillo

Thomas Melillo - August 02, 2022 at 11:31 AM

IJ

“ I want to send you all my deepest condolences for the loss of your father. He was such a wonderful kind person with the biggest smile when he would see you. He will truly be missed. My thoughts and prayers will be with you next week I will not be able to attend I am away on vacation but I will be thinking of you all. Love Irene and Allen

irene Jackson - August 01, 2022 at 06:09 PM

ER

I have been fond memories of Charlie and the entire O'Hagan family. Charlie was such an integral part of the Gaelic players and our club. A true Irish gentleman.

Eileen and Kevin Roxbee - August 02, 2022 at 12:16 PM

EM

I am so sorry for your loss. Charlie was wonderful and I remember always asking him to recite some poetry for me every time I saw him at the club. He went to meet my sister Mary in Ireland with the football team many years ago. He will be missed by everyone who was blessed to know him. God Bless

Elizabeth Ann McCaffrey - August 02, 2022 at 06:31 PM

KM

*I'll never forget Uncle Charlie's big smile and love for family. We loved seeing him when he came to visit us in Canada with Aunt Theresa and the kids, camera always at the ready. We will miss him with all our hearts. He left an indelible mark on our lives. Rest In Peace Uncle Charlie. Love Kim, Jim and Grace.*

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**kim mcnally** - August 04, 2022 at 07:06 AM

DD

*We are sorry to hear about your loss. He sounds like a great man and wish we would have had the chance to meet him. With lots of love Dawn and David Dameron*

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**d dameron** - August 07, 2022 at 03:03 PM