



Joseph T. Quirk, Jr.

December 1, 1937 - August 22, 2017

Joseph Thomas Quirk, Jr., 79, retired Captain NHFD, passed away unexpectedly Tuesday, August 22, 2017 at his home. Mr. Quirk was born in New Haven, CT December 1, 1937 to the late Joseph Thomas Quirk and Sarah Elizabeth (Betty) Schultz Quirk. Growing up across the street from St. John the Baptist Church, he was an altar boy and attended St. John the Baptist School. He graduated from The James Hillhouse High School in 1955 and was a lifelong resident of New Haven. In August 1956 he joined the U.S. Army serving overseas until August 1959. He was proud of his service and felt fortunate for the ability to experience the cultures of many European countries. He worked for the New Haven Railroad in Stamford, CT from 1960 until 1964 when he joined the New Haven Fire Department where he worked for 28 years, retiring as Captain in 1991. He was a tournament cribbage player, enjoyed gardening and was an avid Boston Red Sox fan. He was predeceased by his parents, his wife of 52 years Joan Lawlor Quirk, and his sister Eleanor Quirk Uihlein. He is survived by his three children: Carol Buchanan (Thomas Reimer) of Durham, CT, Deborah (James) McDonald of Essex, CT and Edward J. Quirk of Orange, CT and his five grandchildren. He was especially close to his grandson Thomas who will miss his Papa greatly. He is also survived by several special cousins and many nieces and nephews. Funeral and entombment at St. Lawrence Mausoleum will be private. Memorial contributions to the CT Firefighters Charitable Foundation or The National Fallen Firefighters Foundation appreciated. Arrangements are with

Sisk Brothers Funeral Home, 3105 Whitney Ave., Hamden. To express an online condolence please visit www.siskbrothers.com.

Cemetery Details

St Lawrence Mausoleum

Tribute Wall

JQ

“ We are so sorry to hear of Joe's passing. While we never had the honor to meet him he was a part of our lives. So many times he would get phone calls meant for us (Joan and Ed and Eddie Quirk) and we would get ones for him. We know we are related just never made the connection.
Please accept our prayers and our love.

Joan and Ed Quirk Jr. West Haven

Joan Quirk - August 27, 2017 at 05:27 PM

ML

“ Rick and I send our sincerest condolences on the passing of your father, grandfather and brother. May he be forever in your memories.

Rick and Margo Palarczyk



Margo Lachowicz - August 25, 2017 at 12:59 PM

SR

Ed and Thomas,

Sending deepest condolences on the loss of your father and Papa. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

Susan Riccio and Zack Deremia

susan riccio - August 27, 2017 at 11:23 AM

PC

*Ed , My condolences to you and your family, my prayers are with you .
You , your father and I always shared lots of laughs, I will miss him
dearly. Your dad was a gentleman and a "class act" ! I know him and
my father are now catching up on ol' times ! God bless buddy and
please reach out if there is anything you need !!*

pat cannon - August 28, 2017 at 03:35 PM

RB

*Our condolences to the Quirk family, sending prayers your way during
this difficult time. It was always a pleasure working with your dad Ed.*

Ralph and Anne Black

Ralph B - August 29, 2017 at 08:52 AM