



Patrick Dutson Sr.

December 26, 1942 - May 29, 2020

On May 29th, 2020 the world lost one of its most generous souls. Patrick Andrew Dutson Sr. born December 26, 1942 should be remembered as a family man. Born in Missouri to Andy and Laverne Dutson, he was preceded in death by his parents, sister Donna Weibel, wife Kathleen Dutson (Johnson), and daughter Connie Lynn Collett. He studied Physics at Southeastern Missouri State University where he met his love. He was a devoted husband to Kathy for fifty-five years – experiencing the adventure of life with a remarkable woman. He was a loving father to his three children: Dianna (Larry) Payne, Connie Lynn Collet, and Patrick (Geae) Dutson Jr. Working at Mercer-Miedeiner Company as a Managing Director, he thoroughly enjoyed his work and the purpose it gave him. He built his successful career through his hard work and relentless drive to learn, which he instilled in his family. He was a spoiling grandfather to nine grandchildren: Mallory (Payne-Spikes), Sheridan (Payne-Aleman), Lauren Payne, Shelby Payne, Justin (Sarah) Collett, Kyle (Bethany) Collett, Sydney Collett, Drew Dutson III, and Spencer Dutson. He was a proud great grandfather to six great-grandchildren: Josalyn Spikes, Greyson Spikes, Sergio Trevino, Aaliyah Collett, Izaiha Collett, Layla Collett.

His character was multifaceted and endearing even in its faults. Imparting wisdom and tidbit facts, he was the original Google search engine. He encouraged and provided means for his family to educate themselves. Always

looking to better those brought into his life, Pat gave generously through time, money, and advice. The entrance fee into his heart was a hug and a kiss; he adopted many into his clan. Once within his family, one was smothered with his affection, which he expressed through demanding an exorbitant quota of hugs and kisses, stunning flower arrangements, access to his horde of candies and sweets, personalized nicknames, and back-slapping embraces.

Pat enjoyed several hobbies over his lifetime and mastered several with his extensive skill set. From fishing to boating, Patrick Dutson loved being on the water. His competitive nature shown brightest with either a fishing rod or cards in his hands. One only gained victory over him through rigorous effort or sheer luck. Although a loving father and grandfather, he did not believe in letting his young ones win without hard work. His card skills were well known in the bridge community; he was a member of the American Contract Bridge League for a number of years. He earned the rank of Grand Master, which he wielded with terror at the family card tables. Additionally, he was a Bass Master with extensive knowledge of techniques worldwide. He participated in several fishing tournaments and the trophies adorned his office. He was an organizer of great renown. He organized fun-filled vacations, his plethora of fishing gear, and his office with an obsession. Of a civic mind, Pat volunteered his time to several city planning boards and para-governmental organizations. Everyone knew him for his generous, loving heart, his keen intelligence, and his drive for success.

As you celebrate the life of this great man, the family invites you to dwell in the memories of Patrick Andrew Dutson Sr. We all would dearly love to hear the tales where your life intersected with his. We mourn his passing, which has left everyone raw and bereft for this big-hearted man. However, we also wish to honor his life with joy today and every time our hearts remember him.

Pat wanted an Irish Wake style celebration at his home, which will be held

June 6th from 3-6 at his residence. Please take any precautions you feel necessary in regards to Covid.

Tribute Wall

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“ Pat was a best friend at Eureka High School

Larry Degenhart - June 22, 2020 at 03:28 PM

JR

“ Thinking of you all during this difficult time of loss and sadness. Remember and celebrate his life.....prayers to all.

Jodi & Ray - June 03, 2020 at 12:47 PM

HW

“ Pat welcomed us into the family with open arms. He was very generous and kind. He will be missed greatly.

Hager & Dan Wallace - June 02, 2020 at 07:34 PM

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“ Dearest Duston Family, sending you love and deepest sympathy. Yesterday, as I was putting some items in a little jewelry box of my husband Clint's, I found Patrick's business card when he was at Meidinger Assciates. I know exactly when he got that card. It was when Andy died. Mary Lou & Clint flew from Omaha to be at Andy's funeral. Andy is their oldest brother. Patrick's obit is wonderful and I know your hearts are breaking at this loss. Just remember, love never dies: not yours for him and certainly not his for each one of you. Blessings to each one of you. Many people are holding your family in their hearts. We are some of those people,
Raydelle Meehan

Raydelle Meehan - June 01, 2020 at 10:13 AM