



Atty. Frank J. Carolan

July 9, 1932 - March 8, 2016

Frank J. Carolan

Loving Husband, Father, and Grandfather

LOWELL—Attorney Frank J. Carolan, 83, the beloved husband of Agnes M. (McLean) Carolan, and a resident of the Highlands section of Lowell, died unexpectedly on Tuesday, March 8, 2016, peacefully at his home.

Frank was born in Lowell on July 9, 1932, a son of the late Edward and Elizabeth (O'Regan) Carolan. He was a 1949 graduate of Keith Academy, and 1954 graduate of Lowell Tech. Frank pursued his love of photography as a photographic engineer, opening his own studio, then working at Raytheon and ITEK, later working on the Hasselblad Lens Program for NASA's Apollo 11 Moon Landing.

Frank was a communicant of St. Margaret's Church and a member of the Choir. Frank and his wife Agnes celebrated 55 years of marriage, raising four wonderful sons who gave them eight adoring grandchildren.

Frank loved music and his Irish "Sessions" in Marblehead. He was a member and former president of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Division 19. As a member of St. Margaret's Church Choir, Frank and his wife Agnes traveled to the Vatican and performed for the Pope. He was an avid fan of the Red Sox and Patriots.

Frank began his second career after attending Suffolk Law School, class of 1972. He opened his own firm and practiced in downtown Lowell for many years.

Frank enjoyed vacations at Seabrook Beach and camping and had a love for boats and sailing.

In addition to his wife Agnes, Frank is survived by his four sons, Edward Carolan and his wife AnnMarie, John Carolan and his wife Stella, Tim Carolan and his wife Carrie, all of Lowell, and Greg Carolan and his wife Hon of Melrose; eight grandchildren, Briana, Alexa, Grace, Maeve, Thomas, Ava, Talay, and Basil; a sister, Betty Couturier and her husband Don of Chesterfield, MI; also several nieces, nephews, cousins; his sister-in-law, Sr. Agnes Mary McLean of the Maryknoll Sisters of NY; his brother-in-law, Rev. George McLean, O.M.I. of Tewksbury. Frank was the brother-in-law of the late James McLean and Rev. Edward McLean.

Frank's family would like to acknowledge, with gratitude, the patient and caring staff at Lowell General Hospital and D'Youville.

FUNERAL NOTICE

CAROLAN—in Lowell, March 8, 2016, peacefully at his home, Attorney Frank J. Carolan, 83, beloved husband of Agnes M. Carolan. Family and friends may call at the FAY McCABE FUNERAL HOME, 105 MOORE STREET, LOWELL on FRIDAY from 4 until 8 PM. Mr. Carolan's FUNERAL will begin on SATURDAY MORNING at 8:45 AM from the Funeral Home, followed by his FUNERAL MASS at 10 AM at ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH, 374 STEVENS ST. Lowell. Burial will follow in St. Patrick's Cemetery. As an expression of sympathy, donations in Frank's memory may be made to the Oblates of Mary Immaculate, 486 Chandler St. Tewksbury, MA 01876 or to the Maryknoll Sisters, PO Box 317, Maryknoll, NY, 10545.

ARRANGEMENTS BY

THE FAY McCABE FUNERAL DIRECTORS

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Cemetery Details

St. Patrick's Cemetery

1251 Gorham Street
Lowell, MA 01852
(978) 458-8464
<http://www.stpatrickcemetery.com/>

Previous Events

Calling Hours

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

Fay McCabe Funeral Home
105 Moore Street
Lowell, MA 01852
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Funeral Mass

MAR 12. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Margaret's Church
374 Stevens St.
Lowell, MA 01851

Burial

MAR 12. 11:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Atty. Frank J. Carolan*

January 28, 2023 at 03:09 PM



“ *Emil and Carol Myskowski are both sad and prayerful here in Virginia as we learn today of Frank's death. We still remember our visit to the Carolan home in Chelmsford so many years ago. Frank was retained by Emil's dad to prepare his will. Emil & Frank worked together at Itek Corporation in Lexington as photo-engineers on government satellite projects. As a kid, Emil sang in St Margaret's Church choir where Frank sang as an adult. As a teen, Emil fished for flounder in Marblehead Bay near where Frank would later celebrate his Irish roots. After retirement from CIA, Emil met with Father George in DC on a philosophy project. Mass and Lenten retreat day (that Deacon Emil is coordinating) prayer intentions will be done by the Arlington Dioceses deacons on March 12 and that evening Frank's memory will be honored in a choral concert of Irish and American Folks Songs in which Emil will be singing. Frank was a gentle friend, an excellent communicator, a man of deep faith and an extraordinary human being.*

Deacon Emil Myskowski - March 11, 2016 at 02:24 PM



Thank you, Emil and Carol! We appreciate the kind words and memories you've shared. He always spoke fondly of you and your friendship.

John Carolan - March 13, 2016 at 09:47 AM

MM

“ We were all so saddened to hear of Uncle Frank's passing. A light has certainly gone out in this world. He was truly a fascinating man, a great friend to me and the BEST uncle ever. He has been a presence in my life since his wedding to my Aunt when I was very young. As I got older, we shared a lot of interests and my family and I loved being included in all the wonderful family holiday gatherings with him as the master chef. He was fascinated by so many things, from photography, cooking, sailing, genealogy, music of all kinds and too many other things to mention. During a visit, if I ever mentioned something, anything, he'd jump up and say 'Hold on, I have a book about that upstairs! I'll be right back!' And down he'd come with a huge stack of books or articles to loan me. I NEVER left that house empty handed. He had so many interests, and had numerous careers, it seemed as a young adult before becoming a lawyer. His favorite saying to me was, 'I wonder what I'll be when I grow up?!' In recent years he and Agnes joined a music session with my parents and me in Georgetown, Ma. They came every week and fit right in with everyone, both becoming welcome and valuable members of this group. Frank was infamous on his bongo drums and singing with my Dad. He was truly a fascinating man, a great friend to me and the BEST uncle ever. I truly hope that he is at peace and 'Up There' at a fabulous music session with my parents, Fr. Ed, Uncle Bill and all our musical ancestors... RIP Uncle Frank.

Martha McLean - March 10, 2016 at 10:24 AM

JC

This is a beautiful tribute, Martha! You've captured SO much here. He loved spending time with all of you and sharing whatever he could. Thank you!

John Carolan - March 13, 2016 at 09:44 AM



“ To Agnes and family, please accept my sincere condolences on the death of your beloved Frank. I always enjoyed his zest for life, and his dedication to family and faith. I remember so many good times throughout the years.

Father John Hanley, OMI

John Hanley - March 10, 2016 at 08:28 AM

JC

Thank you, Father Hanley!

John Carolan - March 13, 2016 at 09:49 AM



“ Jennifer Hagar lit a candle in memory of Atty. Frank J. Carolan



Jennifer Hagar - March 10, 2016 at 06:57 AM



Thank you, Jenny!

John Carolan - March 13, 2016 at 09:49 AM