



Mr. Peter Cannon aka Fred J. Downs

July 14, 1955 - July 26, 2023

Peter Cannon
aka Frederick J. "Fred" Downs

Peter Cannon, also known as Fred Downs, age 68, passed away on July 26, 2023, peacefully in his home after suffering from COPD for many years.

Peter was born in Lowell, MA on July 14, 1955, the son of the late Evelyn F. (Shanley) Downs and Frederick F. Downs. He was educated in Lowell Schools and was a graduate of Lowell High School. He was a communicant of the former Sacred Heart Church, where he also served as an Altar Boy.

Peter is survived by his daughter, Jessica A. Downs; a grandson, Wesley R. Barrett, and his ex-wife, Dolores (Lefebvre) Downs, whom he continued a lifelong friendship with. He also leaves a cousin, John (Jack) Downs and his good friend Eddie Rocha from Lowell.

Peter was employed in various jobs including owning his own business, Fred Downs Carpets. He then worked for the town of Arlington for over 16 years up until the time of his retirement. More recently, he moved to Brownville JCT, Maine where he purchased his retirement home. Peter enjoyed his life in Maine, working on his home, watching the wild life in his yard, and having summer visits with his grandson and spending time with his daughter. He was so grateful to his neighbors who helped him in his time of need, and especially his next door neighbor and good friend, Carl Shutts and his family. Peter enjoyed traveling, football, baseball, and spending the holidays with family.

Peter was a “Happy-Go-Lucky” guy. Anyone who met him loved him. His daughter and grandson were the world to him. He will be sadly missed and will always be in our hearts forever.

Per Peter’s wishes, there will be no formal Funeral Services. A Mass in which Peter will be remembered will be celebrated on SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2023 at 4 PM at HOLY FAMILY PARISH – ST. MARIE’S CHURCH, 75 Chamberlain St. Lowell, MA. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

In honor of Peter’s memory, donations may be made to the American Lung Association at www.lung.org or by mail at

American Lung Association in Maine, 122 State Street Augusta, ME 04330.

ARRANGEMENTS BY THE

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Previous Events

A Memorial Mass

SEP **16.** 4:00 PM (ET)

Holy Family Parish – St. Marie's Church
75 Chamberlain Street
at the corner of Grafton Street
Lowell, MA 01852
(978) 453-2134

Tribute Wall

JS

“ So sorry to hear about Peter "Freddie" we worked we worked together in Arlington in the Paint Shop. He was a great guy and he loved his dog Oliver. We had so many laughs here at work and so much fun when we went to Chicago together. Seems like forever ago. He was missed when he left and will always be remembered.



Joe Scimemi

joe scimemi - October 17, 2023 at 01:36 PM

RS

“ Delores/Jessica...sorry to hear of Fred's passing...regretfully,never had a chance to catch up with him...my condolences....Rich Sarmiento....9788047216

richard sarmiento - September 29, 2023 at 10:19 PM

JD

Thank you Richie..

jessica Downs - October 03, 2023 at 04:32 PM

DC

My Dad and I used to come by the Upholstery Shop and I'll never forget that. Thank you so much for sharing

Daughtet of Peter Cannon - October 03, 2023 at 05:57 PM

MK

“ My deepest sympathy to Dolores, Jess and Fred’s family. Fred was a dear friend of my late brother Gerry Wayne. Remembering all the fun times in the old Sacred Heart neighborhood. RIP

Mary Wayne Kandrotas

Mary Kandrotas - September 15, 2023 at 04:09 PM

JD

Thank you so much

jessica Downs - October 03, 2023 at 04:39 PM

RK

“ I am so sorry to hear of Freddie passing. I remember growing up with him, and hanging around O'Donnells Park with him, and had a ton of laughs with him. As the yrs passed I lost touch with Freddie, he may be gone, but not forgotten. He was a Great Guy, and a Great Gentleman!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Ricky Kierce

Richard Kierce - September 11, 2023 at 11:10 PM

J(

It is so good to hear about my Dad through his good friend from way back and to know he is remembered with such kind and honest words. A Gentleman he was. Thank you so much for sharing your memory.

Jess Ann Downs (Daughter) - September 12, 2023 at 10:17 PM

JD

I just heard of Freddie passing. My heart aches from hearing this news. Growing up Fred was like my little brother. Being cousins we were together a lot. I was just thinking of him recently and was wondering how we could reconnect. Now I know . Fred was a good soul loved his daughter, grandson and of course the 3 stooges. Love ya Cuz

Jack Downs - September 12, 2023 at 10:36 PM

ML

So sorry to hear about Fred. Remembering the old neighborhood and all of my old pals. (So right about the three stooges Jack). My prayers go out to all of you.

Martin Lantagne

Martin Lantagne - September 13, 2023 at 01:10 PM

JD

My condolences to Fred's daughter and grandchild. Fred's father was my mothers cousin. I remember Fred from when I was younger. My prayers go out to you.

Joan Casey DAmبرا - September 14, 2023 at 06:20 PM

JD

Regretfully I won't be able to attend the services . Sorry.

Jack Downs - September 15, 2023 at 08:23 PM

RK

So sorry to hear about his passing. He was a great guy as well as a great neighbor, boss and friend. My condolences to his family

Robert Kearns - September 21, 2023 at 01:57 PM

J(

*Thanks Bobby
I know my Dad, mom & I had lots of fond memories of your family being such good people/neighbors/ & friends
Thank you for your thoughtful comment and condolence.*

Jess Ann Downs (Daughter) - October 03, 2023 at 06:03 PM