



Mr. Thomas P. Dougherty

December 23, 1930 - October 13, 2012

Thomas P. Dougherty

Retired City Building Inspector, Army Veteran

Thomas Paul Dougherty passed away peacefully on October 13, 2012 at the home of his son Thomas in Brookfield, NH, after six months of failing health. Thomas was born in Lowell on December 23, 1930. He was a son of the late Thomas and Bernice (Newell) Dougherty. He was educated in the Lowell School System, attending Sacred Heart Grammar School, the Butler School and was a graduate of Lowell High School. Thomas also attended Suffolk University.

A Korean War Veteran, Thomas served as a paratrooper with the 82nd Airborne Division in the occupation of Japan following World War II. Following his honorable discharge, he returned home to Lowell where he worked at several occupations including the Cole Brothers Circus as a trapeze artist. He owned and operated Dougherty Painting Co., and then started his career with the City of Lowell as a school custodian. Thomas later moved on to work for the City Code Department first as a Code Inspector and then retired as a Building Inspector in 1994.

Thomas was the first contractor for the Canal Barge service for the National Park Service's Lowell Canals System. He ran the Dougherty Ice Cream Stand near O'Donnell Park on Gorham Street, where he lived. He was also a candidate for State Representative.

Thomas lived in DeLeon Springs, FL for six years and was a parishioner of St. Peter's Church.

Mr. Dougherty is survived by his wife of 57 years, Mary (Ryan) Dougherty; his children, Joseph Dougherty and his wife Paula of East Wakefield, NH, Thomas Dougherty and his wife Robin of Brookfield, NH, Anne Dietsch and her husband Michael of South Berwick, ME, Michael Dougherty of Chelmsford, Mark Dougherty and his wife Barbara of Dracut, Paul Dougherty of Brookfield, NH, and Chris Dougherty and his wife Kelly of Andover; his brother, Henry Dougherty of Lowell; his twelve grandchildren, Sarah, Meghan, Katie, Beth, Jack, Brittany, Patrick, Thomas, Matthew, Daniel, Aiden, and Grady. He is also survived by his brother-in-law and sister-in-law, James and Eleanor Ryan, and several nephews and cousins. Thomas was the father of the late John Dougherty who died in 2011, the grandfather of the late Andrew, and the brother of the late Francis and Neil Dougherty.

In his last months of life, he was lovingly cared for in the home of his son Thomas and daughter-in-law Robin, with his grandsons Thomas, Matthew, and Daniel and the Hospice of Wolfeboro, to which the entire family is eternally grateful.

FUNERAL NOTICE

DOUGHERTY—In Brookfield, NH, October 13, 2012, Thomas P. Dougherty, 81, a longtime Lowell resident. Family and friends may call at the FAY McCABE FUNERAL HOME, 105 MOORE STREET, LOWELL on TUESDAY from 4 until 8 PM. Mr. Dougherty's Funeral will begin on WEDNESDAY MORNING at 10:30 A.M. from the Funeral Home, followed by his Funeral Mass at 11:30 A.M. at ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, corner of Bridge and Sixth Sts. Lowell. Burial will follow in St. Mary's Cemetery, Tewksbury. As an expression of sympathy, donations in Thomas' memory may be made to the Merrimack Valley Catholic Charity Food Bank, 70 Lawrence Street, Lowell, MA 01852.

ARRANGEMENTS BY THE FAY McCABE FUNERAL DIRECTORS 978-459-
9222. www.faymccabe.com

Cemetery Details

St. Mary Cemetery

90 River Road
North Tewksbury, MA 01876
(978) 851-2248
<http://www.stmarycemetary.com/>

Previous Events

Calling Hours

OCT **16**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Fay McCabe Funeral Home
105 Moore Street
Lowell, MA 01852
(978) 459-9222
sean@faymccabe.com
<https://www.faymccabe.com>

Funeral Mass

OCT **17**. 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Michael's Church
543 Bridge Street at Sixth Street
Lowell, MA 01850

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Thomas P. Dougherty*

January 28, 2023 at 03:09 PM



“ *Sean & Erin Rourke lit a candle in memory of
Mr. Thomas P. Dougherty*



Sean & Erin Rourke - October 15, 2012 at 08:19 PM