



Patrick Fly

January 3, 2021

Joseph Patrick "Pat" Fly, 61, was called home by his Heavenly Father on January 3, 2021. He passed peacefully at home with his wife Lora and his daughter Risa and son Josh.

Pat was preceded in death by his father Andrew Joseph Fly. He is survived by his mother Minnie Louise Fly, his brother, Tommy Fly and wife Debbie; his sister Rhonda Leigh Pearce and husband Norman; 41 nieces and nephews, numerous cousins and friends.

Pat graduated from Manor High School in 1977. He went on to serve a two year mission for his Church in the Bogota Columbia Mission. Upon his return, he taught 8th Grade at Camden Middle School and then completed his apprenticeship as a Rigger at Norfolk Naval Shipyard and then moved to Nuclear Rad Con group as a Rad Tech. He received his Bachelor's Degree in Geology from Old Dominion University in 1986. He held various jobs that including Project Manager at ATEC and Senior Geologist at the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).

After much thought and discussion, he retired from DEQ to stay home and raise his children. Pat served faithfully in his church calls as Elder Quorum President, Scout Leader, Young Men's President, Bishop and High Priest. He loved those he served, mentored and befriended during his life.

He was also very active in the community and loved coaching football and baseball coach at Olive Branch. He was a staunch supporter of ODU athletics but his true passion was watching his children excel in sports. He will always be known by his friends for his deadly three point shot from the left corner of any basketball court and the “trash talk” that followed.

His memory will be cherished by all those who knew him.

Previous Events

Committal Service

JAN 8. 1:30 PM (ET)

Graveside at Olive Branch Cemetery
2 CPL James Willaims Ave.
Portsmouth, VA 23701

Tribute Wall

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“ Hoy recibí, esta triste noticia, y lamento mucho esta perdida, mis sinceras condolencias a su esposa y a sus hijos , estoy agradecida con nuestro padre celestial por haberlo contactado aun con vida después de cuarenta años, haber podido hablar con el y darle las gracias por haber sido el ángel que llego a mi hogar y traerme el evangelio a mi vida, fue un excelente misionero y lo he recordado y lo recordare toda mi vida, el fue alguien muy especial para mi madre, quien ya paso al otro lado del velo hace exactamente cuatro años en un mes de Enero, estoy segura que ya se habrán visto, y ese encuentro debió ser maravilloso. La ultima vez que hablamos quedo en enviarme las fotos que tenia de mi madre y más de mi bautismo, le pido a su esposa o a sus hijos que si aun conservan esos recuerdo por favor me los puedan hacer llegar. mi correo es e sterdelduca@hotmail.com.Un abrazo para toda la familia y mi oracion de consuelo y fortaleza.

*ESTER DEL DUCA OSORIO
BARRANQUILLA-COLOMBIA.*

ESTER DEL DUCA - January 15, 2021 at 10:10 PM

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“ Growing up on Apache Rd. was without doubt the best childhood I could have hoped for. It was the type of experience that one could write a book about and of the main characters Pat would have been at the top of the list.

The innumerable days of playing baseball and football behind the house or basketball and whiffle ball on the Fly's driveway with Pat and so many other kids from the neighborhood, it's a wonder that we had time for anything else.

After we graduated from high school and moved from home we would see each other from time to time and the conversation would always lead to a stroll down memory lane and end in tears from the laughter.

The wonderful memories of Patrick and his family always make me smile and thankful for our times together.

I feel certain his sweet spirit will live on in his children and family and those who call him friend.

Michael Denny - January 06, 2021 at 10:58 AM