

William J. O'Hara Jr.

March 17, 2024

William J. O'Hara Jr.

Rochester: Sunday, March 17, 2024 at age 74. Predeceased by wife, Patricia. Survived by his children, Jason (Andrea) O'Hara and Shannon (Atilla) Ozkaynak; grandchildren, Riley, Aidan, Samantha, Ava and Jason; brother, Michael (Laurie) O'Hara; brothers and sisters-in-law, Raymond (Diana) Richter and Robert (Christine) Richter; and several nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends.

Family and friends may call at the Leo M. Bean and Sons Funeral Home Friday 12-2pm. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to a charity of one's choice.

Previous Events

Calling Hours

MAR **22**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DS

“ Hi, folks. My deepest sympathies on your loss. I worked with Bill at OPD for many years and had the greatest respect for him. It is rare in business to meet someone who had the attributes of great interpersonal skills and extreme competency. That was Bill and I am so sorry to hear that he had passed. We at OPD were privileged to have known him and will always treasure our time with him.

*Dennis K. Spillane
Executive Director, OPD*

Dennis Spillane - March 22, 2024 at 03:48 PM

SO

Thank you so much for your kind words!!!

Shannon Ozkaynak - March 22, 2024 at 09:37 PM

FF

“ *Mike our condolences to you and your Family on the loss of your Brother William. You and your Family will be in our prayers. Frank & Jeanne Fedele*

Frank Fedele - March 22, 2024 at 09:23 AM

SO

“ *I wish I could be half the writer my father was. He always (lovingly) marked my high school and college papers with red ink and I always wished I could do what he could with words!!! Here I am again with words that just don't convey.... I miss you Dad.....I miss you Mom!!! The coolest guy and sweetest girl!! It's gonna be so hard without either of you right here with us!! Hope you are now together.*

Shannon Ozkaynak - March 21, 2024 at 10:38 PM

CS

“ I want to express my sincere condolences to Mike and the O'Hara family for your loss. I pray that God gives you strength during this challenging time and may William J. RIP. God Bless the O'Hara Family

Carl C Simms - March 21, 2024 at 03:16 PM

KC

“ Bill and I worked together at the State Ed Department for many years and he was an absolute joy to work with. Calm, funny and always a smile on his face. I am very sad to hear of his passing and hope that the wonderful memories you have of his great sense of humor will give you some peace.
Karen Carlson

Karen Carlson - March 21, 2024 at 10:49 AM

SO

Thank you for your kind words!

Shannon Ozkaynak - March 21, 2024 at 10:53 AM

TD

“ Tom and Deirdre purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of William J. O'Hara Jr..



Tom and Deirdre - March 20, 2024 at 08:05 PM

EL

“ Condolences to Mike and other family and friends.

Eric Larson - March 20, 2024 at 06:22 PM

JS

“ I'll miss Bill. It wasn't too long ago I sent him some stills from Major Dundee, he was over the moon with them. I knew he was I'll, but I never thought of losing him. Rest in peace my old friend.

Jeff Slater - March 20, 2024 at 02:16 PM

SO

Thank you Jeff!!

Shannon Ozkaynak - March 20, 2024 at 11:26 PM

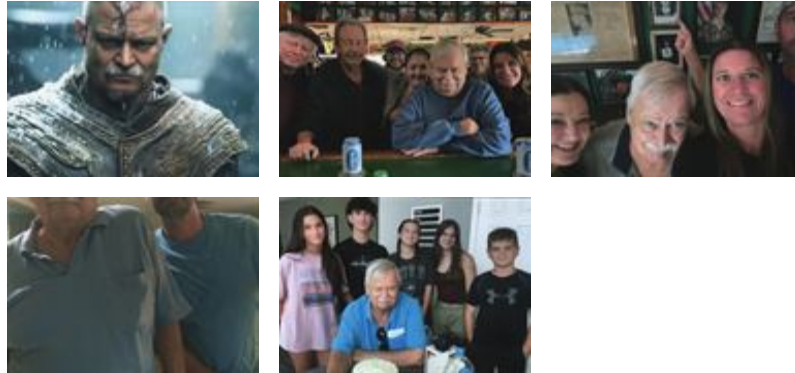
SB

Through our Facebook groups, that sparked our mutual enthusiasm for movies we especially love, Bill and I became good friends. It soon went beyond that. As two aging guys entering our early 70's, we shared experiences that transcended our typical friendship into something deeper, more personal, to the point that he became a central focus of my handicapped social life. For me, Bill became irreplaceable, What a wonderful man he was! Through our many epic phone conversations and emails, the scope of our friendship expanded to the point when I grasped that two men could not have enjoyed or endured life's trials more than we, from his fun times, at Shakey's Pizza to his career occupation that won him my nickname as 'Chief O'Hara'.....to mine as a middle school teacher in a bad marriage in support of each other.....to his as an ever loving husband to Pattie, and his ordeal in losing her - but always with his wondrous Irish resilience .I learned so much from him! William O'Hara leaves behind his children and grandkids he doted on, his good friends gathered at his home for a movie watch or special places such as Rhorhbach's, and many more friends he made in film groups on Facebook. It was my privilege to be one of them. He was as unique and special to me as my own brother. My friend William O'Hara gave me hope, and God bless him for it. again!.

Stephen Borchelt - March 21, 2024 at 06:22 PM



“ 65 files added to the album Life Tributes



Leo M. Bean and Sons Funeral Home - March 20, 2024 at 01:07 PM

JF

“ Jerry, Monnie, Steve ,Tim and families purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of William J. O'Hara Jr..



Jerry, Monnie, Steve ,Tim and families - March 20, 2024 at 10:18 AM

NT

“ Michael and I send our heartfelt condolences! I always remember Uncle Bill as the ultimate movie enthusiast and having his iconic handlebar mustache. We are praying for you guys and wishing everyone peace and comfort during this difficult time! (I offer formal belated condolences as well for Aunt Patti. I always remembered that she seemed to have perfectly styled hair)! -With love, Nicole & Michael Thomas

Nicole Thomas - March 20, 2024 at 08:12 AM

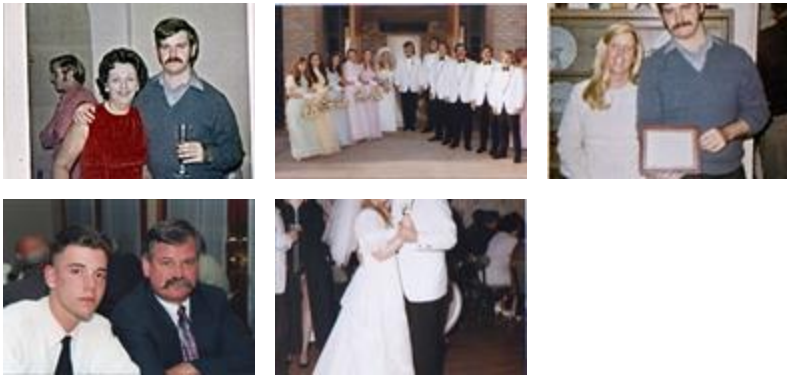
SO

Thank you Nicole

Shannon Ozkaynak - March 20, 2024 at 11:24 PM

BR

“ 7 files added to the album memoryphotos



bob richter - March 20, 2024 at 07:15 AM

BR

“ Jason and Shannon and all Ohara Family
Christine and I offer our condolences. This was sudden for us.
Living close by your Dad allowed you guys to spend time together
and
hopefully the time you all spent together can lessen the impact
of this permanent separation.
I posted some old photos.
If you ever are in North Carolina, we would welcome a visit.
Bob and Christine Richter

bob richter - March 20, 2024 at 07:05 AM

SO

Thank you Uncle Bob and Aunt Christine!

Shannon Ozkaynak - March 20, 2024 at 11:29 PM

CM

“ Amazing guy and like a second father. The memories of some of the best movies that I’ve ever seen were because of you. Space invaders was a classic. And stealing your Genny beer!!! You were always one of the guys!!! Also I’ll never forget the chili best I will ever have. Love ya Jason and Shannon. Thinking about you

Chris Mason - March 19, 2024 at 09:43 PM

SO

Chris that was so nice! Thank you! He was pretty amazing!

Shannon Ozkaynak - March 20, 2024 at 11:31 PM

BH

“ Bri-Ann, Dan, Rae, and Haely purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of William J. O’Hara Jr..



Bri-Ann, Dan, Rae, and Haely - March 19, 2024 at 08:16 PM

BH

“ Bri-Ann, Dan, Rae, and Haely planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William J. O’Hara Jr..

Bri-Ann, Dan, Rae, and Haely - March 19, 2024 at 08:16 PM

TF

“ *The Berardicurti, Steene, Hazard Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of William J. O'Hara Jr..*



The Berardicurti, Steene, Hazard Family - March 19, 2024 at 05:55 PM

DC

“ *Just a few days ago, I was corresponding with Bill about a collecting passion we had shared for many years. He was even planning on placing a bid on an auction lot I had recommended to him. I hope that he was successful , and enjoyed that moment of triumph.*

Regrettably, being a resident of the UK and averse to flying, I never met him in person, but through our emails, I got to know a warm, knowledgeable and incredibly funny man. His wicked sense of humour is something I shall never forget, and will miss greatly.

To Bill's family, I'm so sorry for your loss.

I'll never forget you, my friend. Rest in peace.

Dave Curtis

Dave Curtis - March 19, 2024 at 04:33 PM

NG

“ *Sending my Deepest Condolence's to All the O'Hara Family. May God Bless you All* 🙏🏻
Sincerely,
Nancy Geraci

Nancy Geraci - March 19, 2024 at 01:24 PM

RD

“ Since my sister passed and me & Diana spoke with Bill, he mostly talked about family and how everyone was doing. While he lived alone, it was obvious from conversations that he wasn't alone, as someone in the family was always calling him, visiting him or he visiting with them. Sadly we all pass, Pattie and Bill way too soon, but they enjoyed life, especially the family they made. Rick & Diane

Rick & Diana - March 19, 2024 at 11:06 AM

SO

Thank you Uncle Rick and Diana you have been so supportive to us through my mom and now my dad!!

Shannon Ozkaynak - March 20, 2024 at 11:36 PM

LC

“ Thinking of all of you during this difficult time. Although it's been a long while since I've seen Bill, I do remember him as a great guy, very witty and a Movie Buff, I bet he knew every movie every filmed! He also had a great sense of humor. Bill and I stood up together in Mike and Laurie's wedding, and I remember when we were walking down the aisle, he whispered to me "so, do you come here often"! He will be missed by many.

Lisa Helen Cervini - March 19, 2024 at 10:55 AM

SO

Thank you for that story!! His quick wit and ability to land a joke will be forever unmatched for sure!

Shannon Ozkaynak - March 19, 2024 at 11:50 AM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of William J. O'Hara Jr..



March 19, 2024 at 10:43 AM



“ Mike, Laurie & family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William J. O'Hara Jr..

Mike, Laurie & family - March 19, 2024 at 10:43 AM



“ We were so sad to hear of Bill's death. He was always sure to come and greet Steve and I whenever we were at the same place in Rochester. I remember visiting one time and we all went to their house and watched a western down in their awesome media room. Be assured of our prayers at this sad time, as well as for those who are missing him. Rest in peace, Bill! Hug everyone up there for me!
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Lindy Pacelli

Lindy Pacelli - March 19, 2024 at 10:40 AM



“ Erin, Drew, Evelyn and Leah purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of William J. O'Hara Jr..



Erin, Drew, Evelyn and Leah - March 19, 2024 at 10:30 AM

EL

“ Erin, Drew, Evelyn and Leah planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William J. O'Hara Jr..

Erin, Drew, Evelyn and Leah - March 19, 2024 at 10:30 AM

CF

“ Colleen, Scott, Brian and Families purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of William J. O'Hara Jr..



Colleen, Scott, Brian and Families - March 19, 2024 at 10:00 AM

CF

“ Colleen, Scott, Brian and Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William J. O'Hara Jr..

Colleen, Scott, Brian and Families - March 19, 2024 at 10:00 AM