



## Mr. Patrick Lee McGaha Sr.

April 17, 1948 - January 30, 2014

PATRICK LEE McGAHA, SR., 65, of Winter Springs, Florida, passed on to be with the Lord on January 30, 2014, after a long, courageous struggle with Parkinson's Disease and cancer. He was born in Salisbury, Maryland on April 17, 1948, to the late Oda and Annetta McGaha, Sr. His family moved to Beltsville, Maryland about 1950 where he grew up. Pat graduated from the University of Maryland in College Park, Maryland in 1971 with a B.S. degree in Electrical Engineering. Upon graduation he worked for Westinghouse in Philadelphia, PA for about 11 years as an engineer. During that time he also received his MBA from Weidner College in Chester, PA. He spent the remainder of his career with the company in a marketing capacity. He and his family moved to Winter Springs, FL in 1982 when Westinghouse moved their headquarters to Orlando. He retired from Westinghouse/Siemens in 2007 after 35 ½ years of service.

He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Susan, and his three sons, Patrick Jr., Scott (Alexandra), and Kevin. He is also survived by his brother Oda McGaha, Jr. (Anne), his brother Arnold McGaha, Sr. (Jean), his sister Nancy McGaha, mother-in-law Betty Zerr, brother-in-law Tom Smith (Linda), sister-in-law Karen Kociolek (Peter), and nine nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held on Saturday, February 8, 2014, 1:30 pm at Aloma United Methodist Church, 3045 Aloma Ave., Winter Park, FL 32792.

In lieu of flowers, a donation in memory of Pat to support the work and ministry of one of the following three organizations is greatly appreciated:

Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research

[www.michaeljfox.org](http://www.michaeljfox.org)

(On home page click on "Get Involved" and then click on "Tribute Gift")

VITAS Innovative Hospice Care of Central Florida

2201 Lucien Way, Suite 100, Maitland, FL 32751

Aloma United Methodist Church

3045 Aloma Ave., Winter Park, FL 32792

Arrangements are entrusted to DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory, 9001 N. Orlando Avenue, Maitland, Florida 32751. (407) 695-CARE(2273).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

FEB 8. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

Aloma United Methodist Church  
3045 Aloma Avenue  
Winter Park, FL 32792

# Tribute Wall

DC

“ Dear Sue: I'm going through old pictures to pass onto my sons and came across birthday party pictures for Patrick (about age 2 or 3) and my son, Eric around 1980 and 1981. I just thought I'd do a Google search and see what comes up. I am so sorry to see that your husband, Patrick, passed at such a young age. I always remember you two as a loving couple when you lived in PA and were clearly meant to be together. Not sure if you'll remember me, but regardless.....I send your warm wishes and a life of fond memories of your times together.

*Denise (Reese), now Currin  
Livonia, MI*

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**Denise Currin** - November 20, 2015 at 12:17 PM



“ Classic Sympathy Basket Arrangement was purchased for the family of Mr. Patrick Lee McGaha Sr..



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February 08, 2014 at 09:04 AM

TO

“ Toby & Jerry Oswald lit a candle in memory of Mr. Patrick Lee McGaha Sr.



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**Toby & Jerry Oswald** - February 07, 2014 at 10:39 AM

TO

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Jerry and I have such fond memories of Pat. God has a very special  
angel by his side.*

*May you be in peace knowing he is no longer in pain an with his  
heavenly father.*

*Our Love, Toby, Jerry & Amanda*

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**Toby** - February 07, 2014 at 10:43 AM

JH

“ *Working with Pat was always a pleasure. His friendliness and  
positive can-do attitude rubbed off on everyone around him. His  
marketing talents fit in well with his solid technical expertise and  
made him a great asset to Westinghouse (now Siemens) power  
generation and a great many of our electric utility customers. Even  
when problems were the toughest, Pat always had a smile. Many  
fond memories knowing and working with Pat. Deepest  
condolences to Susan and family.*

*Joe Hurley*

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**Joe Hurley** - February 06, 2014 at 01:58 PM

MB

“ *Pat was one of the first people I met when I started at  
Westinghouse 29 years ago. He was so kind and ALWAYS smiling!  
I was so honored to have known Pat and to work with such a fine  
Christian. Pat has enriched so many lives during his time here on  
earth. Prayers go out to Sue and family. With sincere condolences,  
Mary Ann Rapp Bunn*

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**Mary Ann Bunn** - February 06, 2014 at 01:03 PM

DD

“ I was so sorry to hear of your fathers death Scott. I always rember your parents as the sweetest couple ever!! My prayers and love reach out to your mom and all her family.  
Debbie D'Antonio

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**Deborah D'Antonio** - February 06, 2014 at 10:16 AM

RS

“ Words cannot express our sadness at the loss of our friend ..we know that he is now at peace and that is indeed good !! Our sincere condolences to Susan and her sons and family .. May God bless them during this difficult time ..  
Tom and Becky Swartz

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**Rebecca C. Swartz** - February 05, 2014 at 03:54 PM

WL

“ Dear McGaha Family: During my 41-year engineering career I had the pleasure of working with a small number of genuinely nice guys, and Pat McGaha was in that category, so it is my belief that he earned a front row seat in heaven.  
With Sincerest Condolences,  
Walter Legan, P.E. (Retired)  
Orlando, FL

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**Walter Legan** - February 04, 2014 at 02:54 PM



“ Dear Susan, Patrick, Scott, & Kevin,  
I know that you have lost a husband /dad, but many have lost a true friend, including Dennis & me. Pat was a great man of God, a loving husband, a fantastic father, and a special friend. We have so many precious memories of the fun times we've had over the years. We loved celebrating birthdays and holidays with you all. Pat's wide smile never wavered during all his trials and pain! I can just imagine now that his smile is bigger than ever as he sings praises to our Lord and Savior.  
May God grant you peace and comfort during this time of sorrow.  
P.S. Susan, We're here for you whenever you need us, and you know that!  
Much love,  
Dennis & Becky Crabtree

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**Becky Crabtree** - February 02, 2014 at 01:33 PM

DA

“ Dear Susan and family,  
We wish all of you our sincere love and prayers. We are happy to know Pat is with his Savior and no longer suffering in his earthly body. God bless all of you at the Memorial as you celebrate Pat's life.

Sincerely,  
Jeanne and Donald Agren

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**Donald Agren** - February 01, 2014 at 02:10 PM