



## Mark Patrick Garrett

March 17, 1955 - July 20, 2024

Mark Patrick Garrett, 69, of Roscoe, passed away peacefully in his home on Saturday, July 20, 2024.

Born on March 17, 1955, he was the youngest son of his strong, independent mother, Anna Garrett.

Mark is survived by his beloved wife of 49 years, Chris (Donaldson) Garrett; daughter, Shelby; son-in-law, Jeffrey Rojik; and two grandsons, Garrett and Andrew. He is survived by two brothers, Phillip "Tim" (Diane Amos) Garrett and Terry (Dori) Garrett; sister-in-law Margaret "Peggy" Hartman. In addition to his mother, he was preceded in death by his oldest brother, Thomas Hartman, whom he admired; father-in-law, Harold John Donaldson, who taught him many skills over his lifetime; and mother-in-law, Jacqueline Donaldson, who loved him dearly and always made him laugh. Toward the end of his life, Mark was fortunate to have the love and support of many friends and family, especially three wonderful sisters-in-law, Paula (Allan) Rygelski, Pamela (William) Podany and Rebecca (Peter) Vaccaro. Mark also enjoyed frequent visits from his nieces and nephews who always put a smile on his face and brightened his day. He has received wonderful care over the past three and a half years from his caregivers and most recently from the staff of Amedisys Hospice.

Mark was a proud graduate of Charleroi High School, class of 1973. He attended Pittsburgh Institute of Aeronautics where he obtained a degree as an Aviation Technician. Mark also obtained his nursing degree from West Penn Nursing School. He held many jobs over his lifetime and always demonstrated strength, resilience, and solid work ethic. He was most proud of his many years of service at the Volkswagen Assembly Complex in New Stanton, his time at Corporate Jet Airlines in West Mifflin and US Airways at the Pittsburgh International Airport, and finally, his years of service at Mon Valley Hospital (now Penn Highlands Mon Valley) where he worked, proudly, as a Registered Nurse on the behavioral health unit and conducted EEG studies. He took pride in all his work and had a natural gift of being a caregiver.

Mark loved all sports! He was an avid golfer and enjoyed snow skiing. He spent many weekends at 7 Springs resort with friends and family, as well as traveling nationally with his ski club to many resorts over the years. He also enjoyed jet skiing and spent a great deal of time having fun on the Monongahela River. Mark had a lifelong love for baseball, watching his grandsons play throughout the years brought him so much joy. He was truly their biggest fan.

We were lucky to have Mark in our lives, he touched so many people throughout his 69 years. He was caring, compassionate, hardworking and always willing to lend a hand to family, friends and neighbors. He will be deeply missed but leaves his legacy through those he has influenced during his life.

Family and friends will have the opportunity to pay their respects and celebrate Mark's life on Tuesday, July 23, 2024 from 2 to 4 P.M. and 7 to 9 P.M. at the Ferguson Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc., 700 Broad Avenue, Belle Vernon. 724-929-5300. [www.FergusonFuneralHomeandCrematory.com](http://www.FergusonFuneralHomeandCrematory.com). A blessing will be held on Wednesday, July 24, 2024, at 10 A.M. in the funeral

home with Father Thomas Kadlick officiating.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **23.** 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Ferguson Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc.  
700 Broad Avenue  
Belle Vernon, PA 15012  
(724) 929-5300

## Visitation

JUL **23.** 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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## Blessing Service

JUL **24.** 10:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

LI

“ Prayers for all of his friends and family. I have missed his presence at the hospital. He always took pride in his work which must be a calling. I didn't make the connection until I saw EEGs mentioned. He left a huge void which has been difficult to replace

Linda - July 23, 2024 at 01:10 PM

BT

“ Betty, Beth & Tricia planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mark Patrick Garrett.

Betty, Beth & Tricia - July 23, 2024 at 09:15 AM

SO

“ Susan Orr planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mark Patrick Garrett.

Susan Orr - July 23, 2024 at 09:09 AM

SO

“ Susan Orr purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mark Patrick Garrett.



Susan Orr - July 23, 2024 at 09:09 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mark Patrick Garrett.



July 23, 2024 at 09:00 AM



“ Mark was like a big brother to me in my early teen years. I'll never forget a day ski trip to seven springs he took me on in that little VW he had. It snowed all day long and practically buried the VW by the time we left the resort that night. But you know Mark, he made it an adventure and that little bug crept thru the snow down the mountain, on the turnpike and all the way home on rt. 70. My deepest sympathies to Chris, Shelby and family during this difficult time.

Tony Vadella - July 22, 2024 at 11:08 PM



“ Lori Helisek planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mark Patrick Garrett.

Lori Helisek - July 22, 2024 at 02:48 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mark Patrick Garrett.



July 22, 2024 at 02:48 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Mark Patrick Garrett.



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July 22, 2024 at 02:23 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Mark Patrick Garrett.



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July 22, 2024 at 01:11 PM



“ *Malissa, Doug, Lily, Elle, Patty and Jim* planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mark Patrick Garrett.

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**Malissa, Doug, Lily, Elle, Patty and Jim** - July 22, 2024 at 11:44 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden* was purchased for the family of Mark Patrick Garrett.



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July 22, 2024 at 11:44 AM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Mark Patrick Garrett.*



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July 21, 2024 at 05:53 PM



“ *Love, Uncle Donnie, Aunt Berna and kids planted a <a href="/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518">Memorial Tree</a> in honor of Mark Patrick Garrett.*

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**Love, Uncle Donnie, Aunt Berna and kids** - July 21, 2024 at 03:39 PM



“ *Love, Uncle Donnie, Aunt Berna and kids purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mark Patrick Garrett.*



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**Love, Uncle Donnie, Aunt Berna and kids** - July 21, 2024 at 03:39 PM



“ *Dear Chris and Shelbey, my heart is breaking for you for your loss of one of the kindest men I've ever known.. I offer you so much love...  
Colleen McGuigan*



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**Colleen McGuigan** - July 21, 2024 at 09:35 AM

TF

“ The Purks Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mark Patrick Garrett.

The Purks Family - July 21, 2024 at 08:31 AM

TF

“ The Purks Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Mark Patrick Garrett.



The Purks Family - July 21, 2024 at 08:31 AM

MM

“ Mark and I grew up together in Stockdale. We graduated high school in 73. He was a good friend during those years. I will always remember our memories we shared. God bless him and his family.

Michael Muccino - July 20, 2024 at 09:11 PM

TV

Mark was like a big brother to me in my early teen years. I'll never forget a day ski trip to seven springs he took me on in that little VW he had. It snowed all day long and practically buried the VW by the time we left the resort that night. But you know Mark, he made it an adventure and that little bug crept thru the snow down the mountain, on the turnpike and all the way home on rt. 70. My deepest sympathies to Chris, Shelby and family during this difficult time.

Tony Vadella - July 21, 2024 at 06:00 PM

TC

*Mark was one of the nicest guys from the CAHS Class of 1973. It is amazing what he accomplished during his life. Sincere condolences to his family.*

*Theresa Sable Challis*

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**Theresa Sable Challis** - July 23, 2024 at 02:57 PM