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### John Patrick Murphy



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Laurel - John Patrick Murphy, age 74 of Laurel, Delaware went to be with the Lord on November 23, 2017 at his home.

Pat was the son of the late John T. Murphy and Dorothy H. Murphy.

Pat retired from the DuPont Company with 33 years of service. He was elected Vice President of Morning Star Publications, which he worked with Bryant & Carol Richardson. During that time he started the Laurel-Delmar Star. In Feb. of 2002 he was duly elected to office of member emeritus of the Laurel Volunteer Fire Dept. In 2001 he was awarded outstanding citizen of the year in Laurel. A Charter member of the Laurel Historical Society in 1997. He volunteered at Family Court of the State of Delaware in the probation dept. in 1971. He was past president of the Laurel Little League. A member of Charity Lodge #27 serving as past Noble Grand. He served in the National Guard in Fort Knox. Inducted into Eastern Shore Baseball Hall of Fame as a Sports writer in 2012.

Pat was an avid Phillies fan and Started the group, Friends of Baseball from 1993 - 2014.. He also owned Shibe Park Collectables in Laurel. He was also very proud of his Irish heritage.

Pat is survived by his wife Kay Murphy of 54 years celebrating on November 18th. His sons, Chris Murphy, Michael Murphy (Sheila), Greg Murphy (Teresa) and Brian Murphy (Jill). A brother Jerry Murphy (Marsha). Grandchildren, Brittany Moore (Dustin), Caitlin Murphy, Shelby Murphy, Caleb Murphy, Christian Murphy, Kylie Murphy, Hannah Kay Murphy, Eli Murphy, Luke Murphy, Sierra Murphy, Molly Murphy, and Jude Murphy. Two great grandchildren Ace and Brayden Moore. 12 nieces and nephews also survive him.

He is preceded in death by a granddaughter Erin Heather Murphy.

A Funeral Service will be held at the Laurel Volunteer Fire Dept., 205 W 10th Street Laurel, DE 19956 on Thursday November 30, 2017 at 1:00 pm. A visitation will also be held from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. The Rev. Wayne Mathis will officiate. Interment will follow in Odd Fellows Cemetery.

Contributions can be made to the Laurel Volunteer Fire Dept. 205 W 10th Street Laurel, DE 19956.

Arrangements are in the care of the Hannigan, Short, Disharoon Funeral Home. Online condolences can be made by visiting, [www.hsdfuneralhome.com](http://www.hsdfuneralhome.com).

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