



## Thomas Kearney

October 20, 1931 - October 23, 2016

Thomas Kearney, 85 of Parlin, New Jersey passed on Sunday, October 23, 2016, at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Born October 20, 1931 in Galway, Ireland, Thomas left Ireland in the mid 1950s to come to America where he met his beloved wife of 56 years, Kathleen (nee) McMahon.

He was employed by Con Edison for over 30 years in the Staten Island location, he was a Foreman before he retired. Thomas was a member of St. Bernadette's Church and attended the weekly Tuesday Bingo night. He enjoyed working around the house and his yearly trip back to Ireland. Most of all Thomas enjoyed the time spent with his Family.

Thomas is survived by his beloved wife Kathleen, his loving children Loretta Hagelgans, Theresa Wigley and Brian Kearney, his adored grandchildren Ashley Hagelgans, Stephanie, Michelle and Joseph Wigley, his caring brothers Michael, John and William.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 9:30 AM on Friday at St. Bernadette located at 20 Villanova Road Parlin, New Jersey 08859. Interment will be in Holy Cross Burial Park, East Brunswick, NJ.

The family will receive friends from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM on Thursday, October 27, 2016, at Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home For Funerals and Cremation Service, 3377 US Highway 9, Old Bridge, New Jersey.

Online condolences may be made to the family at <http://www.HegartyScaliaFuneralHome.com>

# Cemetery

**Holy Cross Burial  
Park**  
840 Cranbury South  
River Rd  
East Brunswick, NJ,  
08816

# Events

- OCT 27

Visitation

02:00PM - 04:00PM

Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home For Funerals and Cremation Service  
3377 US Highway 9, Old Bridge, NJ, US, 08857
- OCT 27

Visitation

07:00PM - 09:00PM

Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home For Funerals and Cremation Service  
3377 US Highway 9, Old Bridge, NJ, US, 08857
- OCT 28

Service

09:30AM - 10:30AM

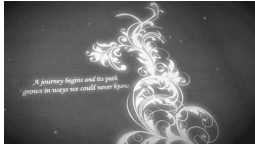
St. Bernadette  
20 Villanova Road, Parlin, NJ, US, 08859

# Comments

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“ A tribute video has been added.



**Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service** - October 26, 2016 at 02:52 PM

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“ Tom was one of the first lineman I grounded for. He was my training forman and help me become not only a lineman but he had a way in making you a better person. May he rest in peace and my prayers are with him and family. Joe Pandolfi Clyde NC.

**Joe Pandolfi** - October 29, 2016 at 05:32 AM

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## “ RIP Thomas Kearney

Thomas Kearney passed away and they held his funeral today.

Thomas was a good man truly a “gentleman's, gentleman”.

While the mass took place I drifted off and wondered when we first meet someone who we are destined to call friend do we ever wonder what kind of day their funeral will occur on?

I met Thomas sitting in a chair in the corner of the church basement. Tom worked the 50-50 at the Tuesday night bingo for some 20 years. He was a young man of 80 years with an Irish brogue that would make St. Patrick proud. Thomas always had a smile and a kind word for everyone. While many mourned in the little church he had called home Tom was such an uplifting person he would never have wanted a tear to be shed on his behalf. We all thought so highly of him that we tried to honor his request as best we could.

As the bagpipes played,  
Thomas's body was carried away,  
There was little sadness on this day,  
I believe that Tom wanted it that way,  
A gentle smile and a kind word,  
was all that could be heard,  
I think we were all blessed in the end,  
For we were the ones who got to call him friend.

People have to die so that we understand how precious life is!

RIP Thomas Kearney (Friday October 28, 2016)  
Bill Rhumm

Bill Rhumm - October 28, 2016 at 02:32 PM

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## “ 93 files added to the album LifeTributes



Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service - October 26, 2016 at 02:35 PM

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“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Thomas Kearney.



October 26, 2016 at 08:01 AM

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“ To Mrs. Kearney, Loretta and family: We are so sorry for the loss of your beloved husband and father. He was a very sweet, generous and caring person and will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.  
Lots of love,  
Beverly and Bill Hagelgans

**Beverly A. Gerula** - October 25, 2016 at 12:51 PM

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“ The Sakis Family - Steven, Tara, Christine & Grace purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Thomas Kearney.



**The Sakis Family - Steven, Tara, Christine & Grace** - October 25, 2016 at 12:21 PM

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“ Theresa Wigley sent a virtual gift in memory of Thomas Kearney



**Theresa Wigley** - October 25, 2016 at 12:03 PM



“ God Bless You, Daddy, may you rest in peace. You are in God's Hands. You were the greatest father, always there for all of us! Always had kind words with a gentle loving heart. I will miss and love you forever!  
Your loving daughter, Theresa

**Theresa Wigley** - October 25, 2016 at 12:09 PM