



Patrick Kelly

October 3, 1955 - January 1, 2021

Patrick Alan Kelly was born in Butte, Montana on October 3, 1955 to Wayne and Marlene Kelly.

When he was 3 years old, the family moved from Montana to Minnesota and then on to the Chicago area where Pat would grow up.

He attended Barrington High School. There he enjoyed playing football, baseball and basketball. Basketball was his true love.

His senior year he was the starting point guard for the basketball team.

After graduating high school Pat attended the University of Illinois. It was here he accepted Jesus as his Lord and Savior through Campus Crusade for Christ. He then went on to attend Northern Illinois University where he obtained his law degree.

After graduating law school he was hired as an Assistant State's Attorney in Kane County, Illinois. While working there he met a retired FBI agent who suggested Pat apply to be a Special Agent. He did, and after a year's long interview process, he was hired. During this time, he met his future wife, Cathy at a New Year's Eve party through the singles group at Willow Creek Community Church.

In May of 1988, Pat entered the FBI Academy in Quantico, Virginia. He was in

there for 3 months. After he graduated he received his orders - Minneapolis, MN. He and Cathy married on September 3, 1988 and moved to Eagan, Minnesota. Pat's entire career was spent in Minneapolis, which he was very grateful.

In March of 1996 their first son, Jack was born. On June 11 of 2001 the "Minnesota Twins", Ben and Katie were born, exactly 3 months prior to 9/11. During 9/11 Pat worked 6 days a week, 12 hour days, came home and helped out with the twins. Neither Pat or Cathy got much sleep during this time.

In June of 2008, Pat retired after 20 years as a Special Agent. He enjoyed working white collar crime for the first 15 years, and as a Recruiter for the last 5 years. He loved his work and the agents he worked with.

In September of 2008, Pat and Cathy decided to make the move to a smaller town, Spirit Lake, Iowa. Ben and Katie started 1st grade, and Jack, 7th grade. This was a special time Pat could dedicate more time with his kids. He loved going to watch their concerts, sporting events..., especially softball, baseball, track and basketball.

In July of 2012, Pat was riding his bike with Ben to a basketball camp at the high school. Pat went through a slick puddle, over his handlebars and shattered his right arm and his left wrist. He was taken to Mayo by ambulance where he had a total of 10 surgeries. He had many months of physical therapy to regain strength in both arms.

In January of 2016, Pat had a bout with pancreatitis. He spent most of 2016 going from hospitals in Sioux Falls, Lincoln, Nebraska and finally Omaha. Finally in December of that year there was an opening at the nursing home in Armstrong, Iowa. This is where he spent the majority of the next five years. It was December of 2020 he was taken by ambulance to the Mayo Clinic where

he eventually passed away.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Cathy and his three children, Jack, Ben and Katie. Sisters Sherrie Schubert (Gary), Jackie Ott (Perry) and brother Mike (Jess), mother-in-law Janice Clark, sister-in-laws Linda Clark, Diane Tjaden (Dan), Karen Clark, Jon Clark (Kat), many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father Wayne Kelly, stepmother Toni, mother Marlene Burdick and father-in-law Tom Clark.

A Celebration of Life will be was held at CrossWinds Church on Friday, January 8, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

Previous Events

Service

JAN 8. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Crosswinds Church
2508 Erie Ave.
Spirit Lake, IA 51360

Tribute Wall

CN

“ We are very sorry about Pat’s passing, but we know his deep faith and that he is now healed in the presence of his Lord. Pat was always cheerful and such a devoted Cubs fan. Prayers for all of you during this time.

Clay and Kathy Norris - January 19, 2021 at 10:04 PM

CP

“ Cindy P. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Patrick Kelly.



Cindy P. - January 08, 2021 at 12:14 PM

MD

“ Pat was one of the first people I met when I transferred to FBI Minneapolis in 1997. We hit it off immediately and worked a couple cases together while we were squad mates for two years. I really enjoyed working with him as he was a good agent and a good man. I loved his quick wit and sense of humor. He was liked and respected by everyone in the office. I am so sorry for all he had to go through the past five years. My deepest sympathies to Cathy and the kids. I know he rests in the arms of Our Savior

Mike Dudley - January 07, 2021 at 05:42 PM

AG

“ I offer my deep condolences to the Family of Pat. I knew Pat when I was ending my FBI career. He was a very good Agent and more than that he was a kind, nice man. I have only fond memories of Pat. May he rest in piece.

Sincerely
Al Garber

Al Garber - January 07, 2021 at 03:52 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Patrick Kelly.



January 07, 2021 at 11:02 AM

BP

“ Bob and Patricia purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Patrick Kelly.



Bob and Patricia - January 07, 2021 at 10:13 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Patrick Kelly.



January 06, 2021 at 06:51 PM

KA

“ I was very sad to hear about my MP buddy. Those that knew Pat were certainly blessed. What a great guy! What you see is what you get. May God provide comfort and strength for his family and friends. Phil 1:3.

Korie A - January 06, 2021 at 06:34 PM

SK

“ I was very sorry to hear about the passing of SA Pat Kelly. He was my recruiter for the in Minneapolis. From the first day I met him, I liked him. He guided me through a difficult process (in which there were many applicants) but he always made me feel important and I contacted him to let him know I made it, that "we did it" when I received my academy date. I always felt him pushing for me and I can't thank him enough for his support. He will be missed by all, but the stories about him will always live on in the B. My energy and prayers for his family. SA K. Kane



SA K. Kane - January 06, 2021 at 10:24 AM

HL

“ We were so sad to hear of Pat's passing. To Cathy and family our deepest sympathy. We got to know Pat when we were in a small group with them and so much appreciated his wit and wisdom. His always there smile was contagious and though he suffered a lot of pain, very seldom heard him complain. Our prayers are with the family.. All our love. Harold and Joyce Loeb

Harold & Joyce Loeb - January 06, 2021 at 03:37 AM

JO

“ Growing up with Pat Kelly... Pat was a teaser, sports nut, caring big brother. He had a great smile. There are so many memories from when we were young going to Montana every summer to see Grandparents ❤️ We went camping and fishing with them in the middle of nowhere. It was very cool out there in the wilderness catching trout and eating them every night 🍷. Growing up with PK there was always a basketball game, football game or baseball game to go watch, he loved the Cubs ❤️ I'm happy he got to see them win the pennant 😊. Even though we were not within close proximity and we didn't always stay in contact all the time I knew deep down in my heart that we both loved and cared for each. I am relieved that you are no longer in pain but I pray for comfort for Cathy and the kids. XOXO this is not goodbye but I hope to see you again someday ❤️ Jackie

Jackie Ott - January 05, 2021 at 08:41 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Patrick Kelly.



January 05, 2021 at 01:37 PM

SI

“ I am very sorry to Patrick's family. What a delightful personality! We enjoyed getting to know Patrick and his family when they first moved to Spirit Lake and while the kids were in school. Prayers for peace and comfort for you all.
Duane and Sally Ites

Sally J Ites - January 05, 2021 at 12:25 PM

PE

Cathy and kids, Pastor Norm and I are so sorry to hear about Pat. But we rejoice that Jesus is his Savior. We pray for comfort and time to remember the good memories. God Bless!

Pastor Norm and Janna Erickson - January 05, 2021 at 03:43 PM

PE

Pastor Norm and Janna

Pastor Norm and Janna Erickson - January 05, 2021 at 04:06 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Patrick Kelly.*



January 05, 2021 at 09:13 AM

LG

“ *Lori Goth lit a candle in memory of Patrick Kelly*



Lori Goth - January 04, 2021 at 10:10 PM

BP

“ *Bryan Schubert & Natalie Plenys purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Patrick Kelly.*



Bryan Schubert & Natalie Plenys - January 04, 2021 at 06:57 PM

MS

“ Marilyn Strickland lit a candle in memory of Patrick Kelly



Marilyn Strickland - January 04, 2021 at 01:33 PM

DH

“ I am so sorry to hear of Pat passing away. I know that he had been ill for quite some time. I worked with Pat in rehab several times over the years before he went to the nursing home. I enjoyed so much discussing sports and other things with Pat. He had a great sense of humor and was so easy to talk to. He will be missed by many people. Prayers with your family. Dave Halland



David Halland - January 04, 2021 at 09:30 AM

MD

My sympathies to Pat's family and friends. Way too soon. I worked with Pat on the same squad at FBI Minneapolis for 2 years . A good agent and a really good guy. You just enjoyed being around him. I believe he rests in the arms of Our Savior now.

Mike Dudley - January 06, 2021 at 06:02 PM

BW

“ Bev And Vern Wittler lit a candle in memory of Patrick Kelly



Bev and Vern Wittler - January 03, 2021 at 04:29 PM

MM

“ The last time I saw Pat was when he was leaving a local law firm to join the F.B.I. I grew up with Pat and knew him to be a good friend to all. A remembrance: When Pat first got his license he was allowed to drive his dad's VW beetle, which was a stick shift. He got to my house to pick me up for some basketball at Hickory Hill School. When I got in the car the first thing he said, in great seriousness, was "Don't laugh. If you laugh I am kicking you out." Well, after backing out of my driveway he tried to shift gears to go forward. The car chugged, stuttered, and...stalled. He finally got it going and at the end of my street, as he tried to turn right, the car chugged, stuttered...and stalled. By then I was trying mightily not to laugh. But, when we got to the end of that next street and he tried to turn left, the car chugged, stuttered, and...stalled. I busted a gut laughing so hard. Pat started to yell at me to get out, and then started to laugh. We made it to the school after several other near stalls and a lot of laughs. That was a great time to be with a great friend. So long Pat. Mike McAlevy, Crystal Lake IL.

Mike McAlevy - January 03, 2021 at 08:48 AM