



## Obituary

**Born:** Thursday, October 8, 1942

**Died:** Tuesday, March 24, 2020

Douglas- Paul Edward Finnegan, Jr., 77, our family patriarch, passed away on Tues., March 24, 2020, after a period of declining health. He is survived by his loving wife of 55 years, Lorraine (Waite) Finnegan.

He is also survived by his 4 children, Donna M. Wilson and her husband William of Uxbridge, Paul E. Finnegan III and his wife Katy of Wayland, Lorri A. Schaaf and her husband Michael of Providence, and Brian T. Finnegan and his wife Melissa of Charlton; 10 grandchildren, Zachary, Kalin, Colin, Owen, Brian Jr., Cameron, John, Michael, Matthew, and Joseph, and his great-grandchildren Victoria and Lilliana; 2 brothers, Francis Finnegan and his wife Denise of Weymouth, and Thomas Finnegan and his wife Terri of Pembroke, as well as many nieces and nephews. Paul was born in Boston on Oct. 8, 1942 to the late Paul E. and Kathryn E. (Doolan) Finnegan, the oldest of 4 children. Paul is preceded in death by his sister, Margaret (Finnegan) Curcio, his niece and Godchild, Jennifer (Curcio) Mellis.

## Service Summary

- Service details not available -

In his youth he learned a strong work ethic and a passion for serving others, being an altar server at St. Columbkille, Brighton, MA. After graduating from Archbishop William's Catholic High School in 1960, he continued to serve his country in the U. S. Navy, 1960-1966. While stationed in Queens, NY, he met and married the love of his life, Lorraine. Following his service in the Navy, Paul spent his career as a Computer Technician for IBM, retiring after 35 years of dedicated service in 2000. During his working career, he also continued helping others and serving in the Catholic Church in a variety of roles, including to help establish a new parish, St. Kateri Tekakwitha in Plymouth, in 1982. Through his dedication to work and faith community, he was a role model for his family and friends.

He always made it to family games and performances, often volunteering as a coach. He committed 2 decades of energy to the Boy Scouts, serving as a mentor and leader for not only his children but their friends as well. Moving to the Pocono Mountains in PA after his retirement, Paul became more actively involved with his faith by joining the Knights of Columbus. Paul enjoyed the camaraderie of the K of C and became a 4th degree Knight, serving his community as a Grand Knight. He was considered a great leader who modeled and encouraged others to help those in need. In 2013, Paul and Lorraine moved back to MA to be near their children and grandchildren. He always had time to attend the grandchildren's sporting games, dance recitals, ice skating recitals, plays and musical performances. Paul has always been the family's loudest cheerleader. Family, faith, and

friends were always the priority of Paul's life. His excitement for the N.E Sports teams rivaled none. He shared this enthusiasm with his children who are also ardent sports fans for the Red Sox, Bruins, Celtics, and Patriots. He never missed a game to the extent that he followed NESN sports by satellite while living in PA.

The family will have a private service at this time and a Catholic Memorial Mass and celebration of Life at a later time when we can all celebrate the amazing life of Paul E. Finnegan Jr. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Paul's name to the Wounded Warrior Foundation, the American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association. To leave a condolence message for his family please visit [www.jackmanfuneralhomes.com](http://www.jackmanfuneralhomes.com)