



You Received an Angel Today

God, you received an Angel today.

Please open your doors he is on his way.

We should sing and rejoice it is what we should do,
Because he is headed straight to Heaven to be with you.

With father and mother and his family by your throne,
Your newest Angel in Heaven, is not alone, this man to our end.

In our hearts forever, he will stay.

Lord God, you received an Angel today.

Here on earth our hearts are heavy and sad.

Such a wonderful man in our lives we had.

He will be missed so much by family and friends

Who will love this man to our end.

In our hearts forever, he will stay.

Lord God, you received an Angel today.

By Jim McGrath

In Loving Memory Of

Patrick J. McGrath

March 10, 1939
St. Peter, Minnesota

May 9, 2017
Sioux Falls, South Dakota

WAKE SERVICE:

4:00 p.m., Sunday, May 14, 2017
St. Thomas the Apostle Church ~ Faulkton, South Dakota

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL:

11:00 a.m., Monday, May 15, 2017
St. Thomas the Apostle Church ~ Faulkton, South Dakota

OFFICIATING: Fr. Christopher Hughes

LECTOR: Dawn Redden

OFFERTORY: Dean and Trina Herll, Marissa Herll

**PLACING OF THE PALL: "Children" Trina Herll, Jim McGrath,
Wanda Hanson, Robert McGrath, Kathy Simpson**

**CASKETBEARERS: Stan Hunnel, Craig Hunnel, Dave Hunnel,
Kevin Hunnel, Greg Selting, Jeremy Demery**

HONORARY CASKETBEARERS: VFW Friends

ORGANIST: Linda Bartholomew

VOCALIST: Jerry Bowar

**HYMNS: "On Eagle's Wings" "Amazing Grace"
"The Old Rugged Cross" "In Paradisum"
"Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the Holy Anthem Rise"**

INTERMENT:

St. Thomas Catholic Cemetery ~ Faulkton, South Dakota
With Military Honors

Patrick J. McGrath was born March 10, 1939 in St. Peter, Minnesota to Terrance and Margaret (Hoven) McGrath. He attended school in Hoven, graduating from high school in 1959. Following graduation, he entered the United States Navy, serving his country for four years.

On June 15, 1965 Pat was united in marriage to Sandra Vopat. They were blessed with five children: Trina, Jim, Wanda, Robert, and Kathy. Pat was passionate for dirt work and loved time in his loader as he owned "McGrath Dirtwork". He was forced into retirement in 2008 as a result of a stroke. He also had a passion for hunting and the Veterans of Foreign Wars "VFW". Pat combined these passions into the VFW Disabled Veterans Pheasant Hunt, which he and Sandy, along with the Faulkton VFW post and Auxiliary held annually for 12 years.

Pat loved his family and adored his children and grandchildren. His life will be cherished by his wife, Sandy, of nearly 52 years; his children: Trina (Dean) Herll of Brandon, Jim McGrath of Clarkfield, MN, Wanda (Brad) Hanson of Faulkton, Robert (Jenny) McGrath of Harrisburg, and Kathy (Brian) Simpson of Herrick; his grandchildren: Courtney Herll of Moody Air Force Base, GA, Marissa Herll of Brandon, Seantae Read of Granite Falls, MN, Kelsey and Jordon McGrath of Clarkfield, MN, Kayleen McGrath of Omaha, NE, Brandi Hanson of Aberdeen, Logan Hanson of Faulkton, Lexi Thompson of Harrisburg, Madie and Kylinn McGrath of Harrisburg, and Abbie, Andy, and Alex Simpson of Herrick; great grandchildren: Zander Mohs and Zayden Read of Granite Falls, MN; mother-in-law, Katherine Vopat of Faulkton; his siblings: Matt (Gloria) McGrath of Saskatoon, Canada, Greg (Linda) McGrath of Hoven, Sandy (Ken) Pfieler of Aurora, NE, Sheila Hoke of Sturgis, Bill (Norma) Litchenberg of Grafton, NE, Janice Litster of Sturgis, and Noel Doerr of Agar; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Terry and Margaret McGrath; father-in-law, Lambert Vopat; siblings: Marcelline Hunnel, Margie Potter, Francis McGrath, Terry McGrath, and infant brother Bobby Joe McGrath; step-brother, Tom Dunn; brothers-in-law: Harold Hunnel, Al Hoke, Dennis Doerr, Roger Vopat, and Dan Potter; sister-in-law, Mary Ann Witte; infant grandson, Adam Simpson; nieces, Stephanie Hunnel and Mary Ann Witte; and nephews: Terry McGrath, Chip Lindbloom, and Monty Hoke.



Faulkton, South Dakota
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