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John "Jack" Aloysius Hanley, Jr., age 73, of Bethany Beach, DE, passed away peacefully at his home with his family by his side on Tuesday, May 15, 2012. He was born in Wilmington, DE on Thursday, January 5, 1939, son of the late John A. and Veronica (Conlin) Hanley.

Mr. Hanley was a graduate of St. Paul Catholic School, a 1956 graduate of Salesianum and a graduate of Drexel University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering. He worked for over 30 years for the City of Wilmington in the Public Works Department as a Civil Engineer. He co-owned the Hanley-Lisinski Surveyors, a residential land surveying business.

Formerly of Hockessin, he retired to Bethany Beach in 2000. Jack taught Environmental Resources classes at Delaware Technical & Community College and won the "2007 Water Operator of the Year" award. He was a member of St. Ann Catholic Church and an avid Delaware Blue Hens football fan. He loved the beach and spent his retirement years on the beach with his children, grandchildren and extended family. He was a wonderful father, brother and grandfather and will be sorely missed.

Mr. Hanley is survived by his twin sons, John A. Hanley and his wife Yvonne of Bethany Beach and James A. Hanley and his wife Sandra of Wilmington; his daughter, Therese H. Alvarez and her husband Mark of Scituate, MA; six grandchildren: Sarah, Andrew, Finn, Lilah, Mason and Thomas; and his sister, Letitia Ryan and her husband Philip of Pocomoke City, MD.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Saturday, May 19, 2012 at 12:00 Noon at St. Ann Catholic Church, 691 Garfield Parkway, Bethany Beach, DE 19930. The family will greet friends at the church beginning at 11:00 AM. Interment will be at a later date.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales, 2200 Kentmere Parkway, Wilmington, DE 19806 or to the Women's Civic Club of Bethany Beach "Flower Fund," PO BOX 935, Bethany Beach, DE 19930.



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Arrangements by Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium, Ocean View, DE.

Please sign Mr. Hanley's online guestbook at this site.

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Events

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Friends May Visit

- Saturday**, May 19, 2012
- 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET
- St. Ann's Catholic Church**
691 Garfield Parkway, Bethany Beach DE



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EF

Elton Family posted:

As I read the obituary for Mr. Hanley, I was truly impressed by the outstanding and full life he lived. Never-the-less, 73 years of life is still much too short. How thankful we are that our grand Creator, Jehovah plans to restore his original purpose and make it possible for all mankind (including our loved ones we have lost in death) to live forever under perfect conditions. (Matthew 6:10; Job 14:14 & 15). Please accept our condolences as you deal with the loss of Mr. Hanley and contemplate the hope of seeing him once again.

May 29 at 8:00 PM

AD

Angela Downie posted:

So sorry for your loss.

May 18 at 8:00 PM

BC

Ben Chesbey posted:

I will miss your laughter and joy at the beach! Forever in our hearts.

May 17 at 8:00 PM

SC

Sharron Caplan posted:

It has been a privilege to sit seaside with the extended Hanley family. Uncle Jack's provocative and fun loving manner added to the vitality of our "important" discussions of the day. This summer at Sea Colony will be less colorful without Uncle Jack. Love, Sharron Caplan

May 16 at 8:00 PM

CD

Colin & Susan Downie posted:

Susan & I are so sorry that we can't be with you all on Saturday but will be thinking of you. "Big Jack" was very much a larger than life character with a huge personality, matched only by his love for his family. His passing will leave a huge void in everyone's life. We will never forget him and the many happy and memorable occasions we were lucky enough to share. We send our love and deepest, heartfelt sympathy to the whole Hanley family. Colin & Susan Downie (Scotland)

May 16 at 8:00 PM



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JL

Janae Lee posted:

I am very sorry for your loss. May God keep and comfort you during this difficult time.

May 16 at 8:00 PM

MB

Margot Van Black posted:

Dear Jim, Sandy and the entire Hanley family -My deepest condolences on Big Jack's passing. Many prayers and thoughts are with you all during this difficult time.

May 15 at 8:00 PM

TA

Tina Romano-Austin posted:

Hanley Family,I can't tell you how sorry I am to hear about your John's passing. I was truly shocked. I worked with your Dad for many years here at the City of Wilmington. He was so funny and personable. He always made me laugh. I ran into him about 2 years ago when he was teaching a class to some of the City Water employees. He looked exactly the same from the last time I saw him. It was so good to see him. He was a great engineer and was truly one of a kind. In deepest sympathy,Tina Romano-Austin

May 15 at 8:00 PM

DS

Denise Stek posted:

I loved when Uncle Jack was at the beach. He was always a happy, funny guy. He always had a wise-cracking joke. I will miss him this summer and his yellow Volkswagon bug that he parked wherever he pleased at Sea Colony!! May he rest in peace. He will be missed.

May 15 at 8:00 PM

KM

Kim Miller posted:

I fondly remember many good times at the beach with Big Jack. Our sincere condolences to the entire Hanley family. He will be missed.

May 15 at 8:00 PM



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Fayanne Hooning posted:

Dear Hanley Family- We are so sorry for the loss of your Dad- you will all be in our prayers- Love,
The Hoonings

May 15 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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