



## Patrick R. Dwyer

April 30, 1920 - September 21, 2016

Dwyer, Patrick R., age 96, a resident of Royal Oak since 1948, passed away peacefully September 21, 2016. He was born April 30, 1920 in Detroit to the late Daniel and Anastasia. Patrick grew up in Highland Park, attended Visitation High School, and went on to graduate from the University of Detroit in 1941 with a degree in Electrical Engineering. Following his graduation from college, he attended the U.S. Navy's Officer Candidate School at Columbia University in New York and proudly served in the Asian Pacific Theatre during World War II.

Subsequent to his discharge from the Navy, Patrick worked in the Power Sales Department of the Detroit Edison Company for 37 years until his retirement in 1983. Even in his retirement he explored new careers, first in building operations for the Detroit Public Library and then as a lecturer to the architecture students at Lawrence Technological University. In addition, Patrick was a former Post Commander for the American Legion (Detroit Edison Chapter), a volunteer for Junior Achievement, and a member of the National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica for over 65 years. In his spare time, he enjoyed traveling the United States, reading, studying the Civil War, gardening, and having a cold beer with friends. Patrick diligently monitored the stock market as a "hobby" and continued to read the Wall Street Journal up until his passing.

Patrick married his high school sweetheart, Mary Loretta, on June 8, 1946 and remained devoted to her throughout their 67 years of marriage until her death on October 1, 2013. He was the loving, wonderful father of two daughters, Patricia and Mary (Daniel) Leary, both of Royal Oak. Patrick also was the dear brother of the late Mary Chesterfield and is survived by nine nieces and nephews.

Visitation Sunday, September 25, 2-8 p.m. with a 7 p.m. scripture service at the Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 705 W. 11 Mile Road (4 blocks E of Woodward), Royal Oak, In state Monday 9:30 a.m. until the time of Mass at 10:00 a.m. at the National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica, Royal Oak. Burial Monday 1:30 p.m. at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. In lieu of flowers, memorials to U of D Mercy, Children's Hospital of Michigan, or Jesuit Midwest ([www.jesuitsmidwest.org](http://www.jesuitsmidwest.org)) are appreciated. Share your memories at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

25800 W. 10 Mile Road  
10 Mile Road @ Beech Road  
Southfield, MI 48033

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **25**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak  
705 W. Eleven Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48067  
(248) 541-7000  
royal@sullivanfh.com  
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

## Scripture Service

SEP **25**. 7:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Mass

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SEP **26.** 10:00 AM (ET)

National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica  
2100 W. 12 Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48073

## Burial

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SEP **26.** 1:30 PM (ET)

Holy Sepulchre Cemetery  
25800 W. 10 Mile Road  
Southfield, MI 48033

# Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Patrick R. Dwyer.*



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September 25, 2016 at 11:59 AM



“ *To Tisha and Liz-*

*May knowing that your dad, such a good man, lived such a long and full life be of comfort. We are so sorry for your loss.*

*Maggie and John Evans*

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**Margaret Evans** - September 25, 2016 at 11:05 AM



“ *For me, Pat will always be "The fan man"! May God rest his soul and my condolences to his family, Esteban Cabello.*

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**esteban cabello** - September 25, 2016 at 10:33 AM

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“ Although I only knew Patrick Dwyer for a few months, his infectious smile and captivating connection between dad and daughters Patricia and Mary was spiritually rejuvenating to all he encountered. That permanent joy he emblazoned in even brief moments will be a everlasting legacy of his indelible imprint of his admirable and distinguished life. Such magnificent memories will no doubt nurture Patricia and Mary at this time. Love, Bailie Rosenthal

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**Bailie Rosenthal** - September 24, 2016 at 05:42 AM

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“ Diane and Kelly Mahoney, Susan and Steve Howard purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Patrick R. Dwyer.



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**Diane and Kelly Mahoney, Susan and Steve Howard** -  
September 22, 2016 at 04:09 PM