

RICHARD PATRICK WHALEN
1939–2015

FAMILY HISTORY:

Richard Patrick Whalen was born in Hoosick Falls, New York on March 22, 1939 to parents Patrick and Marie (McDonough) Whalen. He was an only child.

EDUCATION:

Dick attended schools in Hoosick Falls and attended Hudson Valley Community College for 1 ½ years.

HISTORY:

Dick enlisted in the United States Air Force on June 29, 1962 in Albany, New York. He received his training in Illinois and New Jersey and became an Aircraft Instrument Mechanic. He was honorable discharged June 28, 1966. For his brave and honorable service to his country, Airman First Class Richard P. Whalen was awarded the Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon and the Good Conduct Medal.

PERSONAL:

Dick married Joyce (McCarty) Whalen on September 24, 1966 at St. Patrick's Church in Cambridge, NY. They were blessed with one son, Kevin Patrick.

WORK EXPERIENCE:

He formerly was employed at Zak Incorporated in Troy, New York and retired from Flomatic Valve Company in North Hoosick, New York.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES/ORGANIZATIONS:

Dick served as a Judge for the Town of Hoosick from January 2004 until his passing, Assessor for the Village of Hoosick Falls from September 1993 to December 2003, member of the American Legion Post 40, and a VFW member, member of the Center for Nursing & Rehabilitation Board of Directors and a member of the Kiwanis Club in Hoosick Falls. He enjoyed watching Fox News, golfing, fishing, Saratoga Race Track and delivering doughnuts to friends around the village. Sadly, Richard Patrick Whalen passed away on February 1, 2015 and was buried at St. Mary's Cemetery in Hoosick Falls, NY.