



John "Jack" Mayo

July 26, 1925 - August 19, 2014

BOARDMAN - A prayer service will be held Saturday at 9:15 a.m. at the Higgins-Reardon Funeral Home, Boardman-Canfield Chapel, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. at St. Charles Catholic Church, Boardman, for Mr. John "Jack" Mayo, 89, who died Tuesday evening at Assumption Village.

Jack was born in Litchfield, Ill. His family moved to Youngstown when he was 12 and he considered this to be his home ever since.

Jack was a 1942 graduate of The Rayen High School and then joined the U.S. Marine Corp, serving as a Second Lieutenant. He graduated with honors from the University of Notre Dame, where he was captain of the baseball team. He was drafted by the Philadelphia Phillies and was with them from 1947 to 1956, and during this time, he was also a part of the famed Phillies "Whiz Kids" team and played in the 1950 World Series.

After his baseball career, he came back to Youngstown and started the real estate firm of Mayo & Orvets in 1959, which later became Mayo and Associates. Jack was considered the "Dean of Real Estate" throughout the area, developing thousands of homes in Applewood Acres, Tanglewood, Mount Vernon and Park Harbour, as well as many other developments. He also developed and managed several large commercial buildings mainly along Rt. 224 and South Avenue. Jack was a member of the church and was Past President of the Youngstown Board of Realtors and he was a Curbstone Hall of Fame recipient. Along with baseball, he also loved to play tennis, golf and any other sport. He will be missed by his golfing buddies at Tippecanoe.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Alice, and his wife of 49 years, the former Patricia McCabe.

Together they had four children, Dr. John (Debbie) Mayo, Susan (Richard) O'Brien, Janet (John) McCarthy and Dr. Richard (Franny) Mayo, all of Boardman; 14 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Jack also leaves his second wife, Jennifer DeChicco Mayo, and her son, William DeChicco; four grandchildren; and his sister, Alice Sinchok of Kent.

He also was preceded in death by his granddaughter, Abby Mayo, and his brother-in-law, John Sinchok.

The family would like to thank the staff of Assumption Village for taking such great care of Jack.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of the Valley or the Ursuline Sisters, in memory of Jack.

Friends may call Friday from 3 to 7 p.m. at the funeral home.

Please visit www.higgins-reardon.com to view this obituary and send condolences.

Comments



“ Dear Mayo Family and Friends,
I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your dear loved one. Please accept my family's sincere condolences. When someone you love dies, there is a sadness and a void that is excruciating and overwhelming. May it comfort you to know that our Creator hears our cries, empathizes with our broken hearts, and will soon act to rid us of this last enemy, death, forever. (Revelation 4:11, Psalms 34:18, 1 Corinthians 15:26, Acts 24:15)

Greene Family - August 27 at 08:10 PM



“ Dear Mayo, McCarthy and O'Brien Family members

We were out of town last weekend when you had the service for Jack and I am sorry we were not around to pay our condolences to you. He was a great family man, athlete, businessman and friend to many. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of you.

Pete & Aimee Morrison and Zeke Amendolara

Pete Morrison - August 27 at 01:27 PM



“ A tribute video has been added.

Higgins-Reardon Funeral Homes - August 27 at 11:08 AM



“ Dear, John, Rich and the entire Mayo family: We would like to express our deepest sympathy to you on the passing of Jack. He was a gentleman and friend who will be sadly missed. I know your fond memories of him will help you get through this difficult time. With deepest sympathy, Mike & Porkie DePerro

Mike DePerro - August 26 at 12:02 PM



“ Bassil Family lit a candle in memory of John "Jack" Mayo



Bassil Family - August 22 at 10:17 AM



“ God bless him in his new journey and rest in peace.

Bassil Family - August 23 at 10:42 AM



“ John, Rich, Susan, Janet and the entire Mayo family:
It was an honor and a pleasure to know Jack and share his friendship. His enormous zest for life was infectious and most uplifting. It was impossible to spend five minutes in his company without laughing out loud at something he said or did. Jack was so special that we have shared many of our entertaining memories of him with our kids and grandkids. Had damon Runyon know Jack, he would have written volumes about him.
We cherished his friendship which we were privileged to share for more than 45 years since he sold us a home in Applewood Acres.
May the good Lord bless him and hold him gently as he welcomes him to his heavenly home.
With our most sincere and deepest sympathies,
Marty and Sally Pallante

Martin Pallante - August 21 at 04:14 PM