



Liam Honan

January 15, 1932 - April 3, 2024

Liam Honan, 92, passed away on Wednesday, April 3rd, surrounded by his loved ones. He was born January 15th, 1932 to Bridget and Michael Honan in Kilrush, County Clare, Ireland.

Liam is survived by his loving wife of 62 years Teresa “Tess” Honan; brother Mick Honan; five children Maura McGuinness (spouse Seamus McGuinness), Geri Robinson (spouse Frank Robinson), John Honan (spouse Diane Honan), Tara McCormack (spouse Tom McCormack), and William Honan (spouse Karen Honan); eleven grandchildren Ashling, Bevin, Meghan, Ben, Erin, Kerry, Liam, Morgan, Brenna, Charlie, and Kaleigh; and countless nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

He is predeceased by his brothers, P.J. Honan, Flan Honan, John Honan, and sister Maureen Coghlan.

The phrase "To know him is to love him" often feels overused, but there are no truer words to describe Liam Honan. Liam was a radiant presence, the funniest man in the room, and a born host known for the way he refused to sit down until everyone had a seat at the table.

At 18, Liam immigrated to America, where he served in the United States Army before making his home in New York City. On a trip home to Ireland, he crossed paths with Tess Morrissey. They eventually fell in love, got married,

and raised their five children in Clifton, New Jersey. Years later, they purchased a family home in Red Bank, New Jersey, where Liam frequently hosted his family and friends. He was a skilled carpenter and worked in the New York City Carpenters Union for many years.

As the cherished patriarch of his family, affectionately called "Papa," Liam's dedication to his family was boundless and his greatest joy was his grandchildren.

In 1999, Liam and Tess retired to Surfside Beach, South Carolina, where they made wonderful memories with their loved ones. In retirement, Liam became an avid golfer and purchased a fishing boat. He deepened his love for cooking through the "Papa Breakfasts" that he crafted for his grandchildren on the weekends. His neighbors were always welcome for a beer in the garage, where he loved to sit with his family and watch the sunset.

His generosity and desire to serve his loved ones extended without bounds. He embodied selflessness by consistently going the extra mile without expecting anything in return, and acting before being asked. A rare man, his legacy is carried on through the lives he touched, inspiring us all to show love unconditionally and act with kindness unprompted.

A funeral mass will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 10th at St. Michaels Church in Murrels Inlet, South Carolina.

Please sign the guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

APR **10**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Michael's Catholic Church
542 Cypress Ave
Murrells Inlet, SC 29576
(843) 651-3737

Tribute Wall

OH

“ *Deepest sympathy to Tess and all the family on the loss of your beloved Liam. He made the world a more beautiful place
Suaimhneas siorai Love Liam Oonagh Luca and Tara*

Oonagh Honan - April 10, 2024 at 10:03 AM

MC

“ *Deepest sympathies to Tess and family on the loss of Uncle Liam. We have many fond memories of his visits to Kilrush. You are in our thoughts and prayers. May he rest in peace. Love from Michael Mary Máire Coghlan*

Michael Coghlan - April 09, 2024 at 04:25 AM

MC

“ *Deepest sympathy on the loss of Uncle Liam. He was a character and will be sadly missed. Martin Coghlan*

Martin Coghlan - April 07, 2024 at 01:06 PM

NO

“ *Sincerest condolences to all the family on the loss of Liam. He was one of Tom's best friends and one of our groomsmen at our wedding. So sad to hear of his passing.*

Nora O'Brien - April 07, 2024 at 10:59 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Liam Honan.*



April 07, 2024 at 10:02 AM



“ *The Harvey, Powers & Ring Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Liam Honan.*

The Harvey, Powers & Ring Families - April 07, 2024 at 10:02 AM



“ *Deepest sympathy, my prayers and thoughts are with you all .love from aunt Mona*

Mona Honan - April 07, 2024 at 07:46 AM



“ *Condolences to all the family on the loss of Liam. Well remember the house in NJ where they looked after me as a teen now and then. Harvey O'Briem, Dublin.*

Harvey O'Brien - April 07, 2024 at 05:58 AM



“ *My deepest and most heartfelt condolences to Tess and the family. Liam was a God send in my father's final days, staying up with him and allowing me to rest. You don't come across people like Liam and Tess often. I am so glad to have known you. Rest in eternal peace.*

Eileen Fennell - April 06, 2024 at 06:47 PM

MM

“ Liam was a great friend of our father Michael T Glynn both being from Pella Rd. And both coming out to New York in the 1950s & remain friends throughout there lives New York - Boston & Surfside SC. May Liam R.I.P

Michael & Maureen Glynn Pembroke Massach - April 06, 2024 at 06:29 PM

HM

“ Liam made our 1st trip to Ireland very special. He graciously opened a room for us to stay with the family in beautiful County Clare. He introduced us to his fabulous cooking, especially those exceptional full Irish breakfasts, in addition to walking the Cliffs of Moher and enjoying a pint or 2 at the local pub.

Harry and Corrie Morrison - April 06, 2024 at 12:01 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Liam Honan.



April 06, 2024 at 10:16 AM

EM

“ Liam's family invites you to please share a memory.

Erin McGuinness - April 06, 2024 at 09:06 AM

DD

“ *Dane Couch, Rob, Gina, Izzy, Riley Dill purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Liam Honan.*



Dane Couch, Rob, Gina, Izzy, Riley Dill - April 05, 2024 at 05:22 PM

NS

“ *Niamh Mc Guinness and Peter Sylvester purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Liam Honan.*



Niamh Mc Guinness and Peter Sylvester - April 05, 2024 at 01:01 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Liam Honan.*



April 05, 2024 at 12:52 PM