



Timothy "Timmy" Patrick Petro

January 21, 1965 - November 13, 2015

In loving memory of Timothy Patrick Petro, (Timmy), age 50, of Willoughby, formerly of Mentor, who entered into eternal rest on November 13, 2015 at Lake West Medical Center in Willoughby. He was born January 21, 1965 in Euclid.

Timothy was a 1983 graduate of Mentor High School. Employed for 30 years by the Mentor Public School system he retired in 2012 as a Head Custodian. Many knew him as an accomplished silk screener and gifted airbrush artist. Timmy was a passionate fan of Ed Roth (creator of Rat Fink character) and was an active member of the Rat Fink community. In his spare time he always enjoyed being with his nieces and nephews, he was always about the kids.

Survivors include his mother, Cynthia Petro; siblings, Beverly (Steve) Wallace, Vincetta (Timothy) Paytosh, Anthony (Kim) Petro, James (Carol) Petro, Pamela (Keith) Giles and Michael (Carla) Petro; nieces and nephews, Christopher (Kimberly) Wallace, Lindsey Wallace, Tara (Matt) Meineke, Hannah Paytosh, Emily (Kyle) St. Julian, Dana (Jamie) Schwendeman, Kaitlyn & Brittany Petro, Austin (Ashley) Giles, Meagan & Amber Giles, Vincent & Antoinette Petro; 9 great nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Vincent Petro

Funeral Mass will be 10 am Thursday at St Mary of the Assumption Church, 8560 Mentor Avenue, Mentor, Ohio 44060. Please meet at the Church.

The family will receive friends 4-8 pm Wednesday at Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Avenue, Mentor, Ohio 44060.

Interment will be in Mentor Cemetery following the mass.

Offer flowers and condolences at www.brunners.com

Cemetery Details

Mentor Cemetery

6881 Hopkins Rd.
Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 974-5733

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 18. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center
8466 Mentor Avenue
Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 255-3401
ajs@brunners.com
<https://www.brunners.com/>

Funeral Mass

NOV 19. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary Of The Assumption Church
8560 Mentor Avenue
Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 255-3404
<https://stmarysmentor.org/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Timothy "Timmy" Patrick Petro.*



November 18, 2015 at 02:50 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Timothy "Timmy" Patrick Petro.*



November 18, 2015 at 02:18 PM

DB

“ *Deb Boyd lit a candle in memory of Timothy "Timmy" Patrick Petro*



Deb Boyd - November 17, 2015 at 05:13 PM



“ *Fruits and Blooms Basket was purchased for the family of Timothy "Timmy" Patrick Petro.*



November 17, 2015 at 12:11 PM

GE

“ *We will always remember Timmy as a kind and genuine friend who was always smiling. So glad we got to see Timmy at Ilene's Rat Fink Reunion last June! Our condolences to the Petro family.*



Geet & Ellen - November 17, 2015 at 11:18 AM

RS

“Where to begin? Not sure exactly what year I met Tim but I do remember it was at one of Shane Syx's car show.panel jams.I do remember we had a great time talking shop and recounting some of our experiences in the business. One of the things we used to do was when my wife and I were driving out to Massachusetts in our vintage Pontiac wagon as we were driving by Willoughby Jan would call Tim on the phone and say:"Did you see us wave as we went by?" It always got a laugh from Tim and an invitation to stop by on the way back. Sadly we never did.

One August Tim and I drove to a car show in Pontiac Illinois. Tim had just bought a new Chevrolet Suburban(all black)which I had promised to pinstripe when we got to the show. Somehow we took a wrong turn on I-80 and wound up heading into downtown Chicago about 4pm on a Friday afternoon.

As we were bogged down on the Pulaski Skyway the air conditioner decided to quit! If you have ever been stuck in traffic in a black car with no a/c in August you will understand that we were a bit less than happy.In the only time I ever saw Tim angry,he was about ready to put it in 4WD and drive up over the cars in front of us and back to the dealership and drive it right through the showroom window.

Anyway we finally pulled into the hotel about 2am and after getting checked in I spent the rest of the night striping the truck.

I have in my possession two items that Tim had made for me.One is a plaque he made to celebrate my being in the striping business for 50 years.It hangs proudly above the entrance to my shop.

The other is a birthday card he drew up and painted to celebrate my 65th birthday.It is framed and in my shop as well.

I am happy that I got to talk to him about a month ago. My phone had ceased to function and I had to buy a new one and was loading it up with numbers of friends. When I came to his I realized I hadn't talked with him in a long time and gave him a call. We probably talked about an hour about good times. That was Tim;always upbeat and positive.

I'm gonna miss you buddy;save me a spot.

Ray "el Vago" Smith and his bride Jan.

Ray Smith - November 16, 2015 at 09:32 PM

LS

“My husband Joe Sulpy and I met Tim at a car show in Bloomington, Illinois. My husband had a medical problem and was taken to the hospital, Tim came to the hospital to pick us up. Tim always went out of his way to help and always had a smile on his face. He definitely touched our lives.



Linda Sulpy - November 16, 2015 at 07:45 PM



“ Tim was hands down one of the most genuine people I have ever known. From the time I was a little kid I always looked forward to seeing "Uncle Flash" at the Rat Fink Reunion. This last year my daughter got the pleasure of meeting Tim I am so grateful that he was able to touch her life the same way he touched all of ours. My sincere condolences go out to the Petro family. Thank you for sharing Tim with all of us. The reunion will never be the same without you. Love you dearly, miss you always.
 Kate, Ryleigh, Heather, Collin Sr. and Collin Jr.

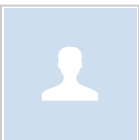
Kate Laney - November 16, 2015 at 07:24 PM



“ I also offer my condolences and blessings to the Petro family & friends. Tim was also like a brother to me! We participated together at many Rat Fink and car show panel jam events over the last 14 years. Tim, Shane and I always had a good time together no matter what! Our times together always ended up being like a three stooges show. We all have laughed till we cried together many times, Laughed so much that our ribs hurt.
 Tim was a kind and caring gentleman, he loved kids and always took the time to teach them the craft, paint shirts for them or show them how to do it there self , not only the kids but adults too. He cared about the people he was around. I am truly thankful that I had the opportunity to know him and be his friend.
 Tim, I will always have the great memories of the times we spent together, You are and will be always missed my friend!



Wendell Burnett - November 16, 2015 at 02:23 PM



“ Amazing Arboricola was purchased for the family of Timothy "Timmy" Patrick Petro.



November 16, 2015 at 12:43 PM

SS

“ my condolences and blessings to the Petro family and friends . Tim was a great close friend and fellow airbrush artist . we traveled allot together to shows and he always supported the charity shows that I put on and some wild adventures across the country . he was like a brother to me and I will miss him greatly but he will always be in my heart with the great memories. he was always kind to me and my daughter Brianna , 'Breezy " and feel he was a big part of our lives . thank you Flash !! for being such an awesome and fun loving guy . bless you for all you have done my friend . miss you already . love , Shane Syx

Shane Syx - November 16, 2015 at 09:28 AM



“ Johnny Ray Price lit a candle in memory of Timothy "Timmy" Patrick Petro



Johnny Ray Price - November 16, 2015 at 09:16 AM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Timothy "Timmy" Patrick Petro.



November 15, 2015 at 07:01 PM