



## Mr. Andrew "Lanny" Gregory

March 8, 1942 - January 5, 2014

Early in the morning of January 5, 2014, Andrew Gregory was released from his earthly body into the comfort and peace of his angels. Lanny grew up in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, the third of Al and Mickey Gregory's five children. His youth was spent playing basketball at the Boys Club, caddying at Berkshire Hills Country Club and building lifelong friendships. After graduating from St. Joseph's High School, he proudly served his country in the U.S. Marine Corps, spending part of that time in Okinawa, Japan, where he specialized in Cryptology and miraculously avoiding the customary tattoo of young American servicemen. As a young father and husband, he made the world a little greener as the Superintendent of Tedesco Country Club in Swampscott, Massachusetts, where he later established a successful lawn care service. In the mid-1980s, he finally realized his dream to move to Florida where his passion for golf was seldom interrupted by freezing temperatures and feet of snow. There he built another business, Nimbus Irrigation, further beautifying the world around him. After retiring, Lanny found a new calling with St. Lucie County Schools, providing support and assistance to young students, with a genuine kindness and complete absence of judgment that made him beloved among students and faculty alike.

Lanny was a vibrant and generous man with a great sense of humor. He loved sports, especially golf; playing the Old Course at St. Andrew's in Scotland was one of the highlights of his life. He loved the outdoors, but most of all he loved

spending time with his grandchildren. When asked how he wished to be remembered Lanny said how he loved working with children, the game of golf since age 6, and making people smile and laugh.

Lanny offers to his wife of 47 years, Mary O'Connell Gregory, a woman of remarkable intelligence, loyalty, strength and kindness, the eternal love, gratitude and appreciation that he always felt profoundly but seldom expressed adequately. He leaves behind, in the eternal embrace of his enormous loving spirit, his sisters, Judy Hollister (Valatie, NY) and Joyce Pothier (Pittsfield, MA); his brothers, Rev. Peter Gregory (Pittsfield, MA) and Christopher Gregory (Durango, CO) and their children and grandchildren, each of whom was precious to him and a source of great joy and pride. He also leaves his daughters, Kathryn Coolidge (Yarmouth, ME) and Erin DeCaprio (Arlington, VA) and his four grandchildren, Meredith, Henry, Claudia and Roman, whom he would vehemently defend as the most perfect, wonderful creatures ever to grace this planet. Finally, he thanks his good friend Bill W. and their many, many mutual friends who kept him going day-by-day.

Funeral Notice:

Funeral services for Andrew "Lanny" Gregory will be Saturday, February 15, 2014 with a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. at St. Charles Church, celebrated by his brother, Rev. A. Peter Gregory, pastor. Full military honors will be presented following the Liturgy in front of St. Charles Church. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Charles Church, care of the Dwyer Funeral Home in his memory. DONATIONS CANNOT BE MADE ON THIS WEBSITE, but may be made through the Dwyer Funeral Home.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *My prayers and condolences are sent to Father Peter and the rest of Lanny's family.*

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**Marguerite Sherman** - February 14, 2014 at 08:15 AM

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“ *Our prayers and condolences are with the family, what a wonderful man.*

*Ron & Mary Mazzeo*

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**Ronald Mazzeo** - January 21, 2014 at 10:43 AM