



Mr. Anthony "Jack" Pires

April 14, 1938 - November 18, 2020

Mr. Anthony "Jack" J. Pires, 82, of Pittsfield, passed away on Wednesday, November 18, 2020. Born in Pittsfield, MA, on April 14, 1938, the son of the late Alexander and Josephine Prendergast Pires, he was educated in Pittsfield schools and was a 1957 graduate of Pittsfield High School.

Anthony was a veteran of the United States Navy, where worked as a machinist. He proudly served his country from 1958 to 1962.

Following his time in the service Anthony continued his education then became a detective in the Pittsfield Police Department, then worked as Captain of Detectives and was acting Chief of Police for a period before retiring. He worked on the force for 30 years before retiring in 1994.

In Jack's earlier years he enjoyed playing golf, vacationing on Cape Cod and enjoyed collecting and watching military history movies. He was a member of American Legion Post 155 for many years. He was also a member of the National Association of Destroyer Veterans.

Anthony is survived by his siblings, Douglas F. Pires of Pittsfield, and Marjorie Meleca of Daytona Beach, FL. He also leaves behind several nieces, nephews, grand nieces and nephews. Besides his parents, Anthony was predeceased by 2 sisters Mary S. Scoco and Eileen Harrington, as well as 2 brothers, Alfred J. Pires and Joseph A. Pires

Funeral Notice:

A graveside service with full military honors for Mr. Anthony "Jack" J. Pires will be on Friday, November 27, 2020 at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Cemetery with the

Rev. A. Peter Gregory, Pastor Emeritus of St. Charles Church, officiating. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Dana Farber or the Sonsini Animal Shelter in care of the Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North St., Pittsfield, MA 01201 in his memory. Donations CANNOT be made online, but may be made through the Dwyer Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Cemetery

222 Peck's Rd.
Pittsfield, MA 01201

Previous Events

Service

NOV 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *What a great guy Captain Jack was.
I have many fond memories of him from the courthouse.*

Chico Martin - November 28, 2020 at 05:31 PM

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“ *I worked with Captain Jack for over 26 years. He was a great Detective and Captain. We had a great many laughs together. He will be missed.*

Captain John T. O'Neil (Ret.)

John O'Neil - November 26, 2020 at 03:27 PM

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“ *Karen Shepard lit a candle in memory of Mr. Anthony "Jack" Pires*



Karen Shepard - November 26, 2020 at 04:44 AM

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“ *I'm going to miss the stories and laughs we shared that we could write a book about. In the meantime, say hi to mom, dad, Sis, Masie, Laddie and I'll see you when I see you.
Love, Marge*

Marge Meleca - November 24, 2020 at 03:54 PM

LP

I worked with Jack on the PPD from '71-'84 when he retired. Probably one of the greatest, if not the greatest "no-nonsense" cops I ever worked with. We also had a lot of laughs and a "few" adult beverages from time to time. What a great guy!

Lenny Pruyne - December 24, 2020 at 03:45 PM

MM

“ *Goodbye Uncle Jack, you will be missed. Too many memories to share but I will hold them close to my heart. Now don't go making a "spectacle" of yourself in heaven.
Love you always, Marci*

Marci Meleca - November 24, 2020 at 03:49 PM

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“ *Marci Meleca lit a candle in memory of Mr. Anthony "Jack" Pires*



Marci Meleca - November 24, 2020 at 03:45 PM