



William “Patrick” Johnson, age 77, of Waxhaw NC (previously of Beaver creek OH) passed away on September 30, 2020. Patrick, son of Ed & Ruth (Crocker) Johnson, was born on February 24, 1943 in Middletown OH. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Karen (Beverly) Johnson, his daughter Shelley, and son Ryan. He is preceded in death by his first-born son, Robbie. Patrick was the proud grandfather of 6

Jackson, Sam, & Owen while Ryan & Nicole (Rife) gave him Evan, Sammi, & Benny.

Patrick grew up in a rambunctious house of boys with his older brother Tim and younger brothers Mike and Dick. He was a proud Navy veteran and life-long patriot who worked over 30 years at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio. In retirement, he pursued his lifelong love of cooking. He attended culinary school at Sinclair Community College in Dayton OH and worked for a caterer and an Italian restaurant. He loved grilling and cooking for his family and there isn't anything he wouldn't have done for his loved ones.

Patrick loved his wife Karen dearly and they enjoyed nearly 54 years of marriage. They met at the Base, were engaged, and married all in 1966. Aside from being proud of his family and his food, he fondly spoke of his years of Navy service in Hawaii, swimming in Waimea Bay, and his 50th wedding anniversary trip back to the islands. He developed a love of the neighborhood bluebirds and spoke of protecting democracy and serving his country until his final day. Patrick should be remembered most as a loving husband, father, grandfather, friend, and brother. His family is forever grateful for the time spent with him and all that he provided for them.

Visitation will be held at Heritage Funeral Home-Weddington Chapel on Sunday, October 4th, from 1-2 PM, with celebration of Patrick's life at 2. Service will be livestreamed starting at 1:55 PM and can be accessed through this obituary. Burial will be held at Beaver Cemetery in Beaver creek, OH at a later date