



## Mr. Patrick D. "Pat" Samson

August 2, 1951 - January 1, 2021

FRANKFORT - Mr. Patrick D. "Pat" Samson, age 69, passed away on Friday, January 1, 2021 at MVHS at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Born in Utica on August 2, 1951, Patrick was the son of the late Floyd D. and Mabel (Tolley) Samson. Raised and educated in New Hartford, he was a graduate of Notre Dame High School. He went on to graduate from Utica College of Syracuse University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Urban Studies.

Pat was a man who loved to learn and he was involved in many enterprises. He was an entrepreneur and owner of several companies. At one time he lived in Milledgeville, Georgia where he worked as a saw filer. He then returned home to the Mohawk Valley and ventured into the business of importing. He established Mr. P's Imports where he would travel through the American Southwest and Mexico to search for unique goods for his store. Pat had a great respect for the people and culture of the Native Americans. Pat loved geology and became a collector of fossils and many rare specimens. Pat operated a blue stone quarry in Pennsylvania and started his last venture, Mr. P's Wall Stone Landscaping Products.

He had an inherent love for knowledge. He was well-versed in the natural world and artifacts around the world. He was a renaissance man who could hold a conversation with anyone, on a vast variety of topics. If you knew Pat, you had a friend for life. He was a loving, kind man who genuinely and generously gave of himself to help others. A highlight of his travels was

visiting the Alamo in San Antonio, TX. Pat was also an amazing cook who gained his vast knowledge of cuisine throughout his various travels.

Pat is survived by his sisters, Diane Marie Samson of Texas, and his "Irish twin," Joanne Samson of Utica; his nieces and nephews, Sabrina Lochner; Danielle (David) Fiorini; Gregory Prentice, Paul Prentice, and Katie (Robert) Boone.; great-nieces and great-nephews, Cassandra, and Jacquilyn McNally; Joseph, and Anthony Fiorini; Leihlah, and Danyael Prentice; Evalyn, Elsie, and Claire Boone; great-great-niece, Leah McNally-Guerra; many cousins and longtime friends.

The family is grateful to the staffs of the ICU and IMCU at MVHS at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, especially Dr. Arul Kannan for the care and compassion rendered to Pat; and Pat's loving niece Katie for tending to his needs and being with her uncle during his final moments.

The family will honor and celebrate Patrick's life in a private gathering. Funeral services will be held privately at the convenience of the family. Memorial contributions in Pat's honor may be made to the Navajo Water Project online at <https://www.navajowaterproject.org/donate> or by mail to Box 26779 Los Angeles, CA 90026.

During this time of social distancing that we are all experiencing, please take a moment to connect with Pat's family through the "Memories" section of his obituary. Our prayers go out to all as a sign of our continued support.

# Tribute Wall

NL

“ We are so sorry to hear Pat passed away. John known Pat for many years and sad to know that he’s gone. He was a very generous man. We will always remember all the good times. Rest In Peace Pat



Nancy and John Longo - January 15, 2021 at 07:20 PM

FJ

“ To a very dear person in my life that I respected and cherished our friendshii and all the great times that we had Pat was a very smart and knowledgeable man that taught me a lot in life I will miss him from the bottom of my heart

fFrank Aurelio Vita jr - January 11, 2021 at 10:31 PM

AV

“ Pat was a gentleman, cultured and had a big heart. He was very generous and good with many people that came across his path. It was always a pleasure to stop by and see how he was doing; he will be missed by many.

Anthony Vita - January 09, 2021 at 09:33 AM

JT

“ Sorry to hear of Pat's passing. He will always be remembered & so missed by me & others. Patrick was a great friend and was always a pleasure to be around. I found Pat to be very interesting, easy going, generous and always helpful. I loved his fossil collection among other very cool collectables. I was also intrigued by his vast caring for others, including myself. May Pat rest forever in peace... Until we meet again my friend...



JOSEPH TARTAGLIA - January 08, 2021 at 07:38 PM

DT

“ So sorry for you lost. Debora Tolley.

Debora Tolley - January 08, 2021 at 10:10 AM

MC

“ On behalf of the St. Francis di Paola Society Executive Board and all members, may I express our condolences to Pat's family. He was a wonderful man, full of intellect, and he was a friend to all of us. His presence, conversation and vast knowledge will be missed by all of us. May God bless your family during these trying times.

Martin Ciaccia - January 08, 2021 at 07:21 AM

DS

Thinking of all of you through this difficult time 🙏💕💕

Diane Shephard - January 09, 2021 at 09:02 PM

PP

So sorry for your loss, enjoyed various conversations with Pat, he was a caring loving individual, he was a friend to all, may God bless your family and Pat be held close to God, amen

peter passante - January 12, 2021 at 02:28 PM