



Joseph Anselm Dinan

June 19, 2010

Joseph Anselm Dinan, beloved husband, father, grandfather and uncle, died Saturday, June 19th, 2010 peacefully in his sleep. He was 64 years old. The husband of Mary Madigan Dinan and the son of Edward and Catherine Dinan of Portland, Maine. He now rejoins them in Heaven.

Joseph Dinan was born in Reading, Massachusetts on February 21st, 1946. He graduated from Cheverus High School where he was a frequent star on the cross country running team. He attended Brown University on a track scholarship. After serving in the Navy, Joseph returned home to Maine, and completed his Masters of Business Administration at the University of Maine. He also continued his education to include a Certified Public Accountant credential.

Joseph's love was his family. He met and married Mary Madigan in Saco, Maine in 1971. Lifelong partners, they shared a love of learning that they passed on to their family. They remained married until her death in December, 2003. Joseph was always by her side during the good times and through the illness that carried her away, proving his depth of character and undying love. He was devoted.

Joseph devoured books of all kinds and listened to an eclectic range of music. He would latch on to a subject and research it to its fullest extent. He had a passion for chess, becoming a master chess player and teaching the game to school children as well as his own grandchildren. Sports of all kinds fascinated him. He was a marathon runner and a lifelong fan of the Boston Red Sox.

Thankfully his loyalty paid off and he was able to enjoy a World Series win in 2004 and again in 2007.

There was nothing bigger in his life than his children, grand-children and his great-grandson. He truly enjoyed them to the fullest and they too enjoyed his company. He will be remembered as the man who always had the calm response and the right answer. He was a kind man who you could count on for anything. You could not stump him on “define the word”, and if a question ever arose about anything, he was quick to locate the answer. If one of his children or grand-children expressed an interest on any topic they would soon receive a book in the mail covering the subject completely. He too would take an interest and a meaningful conversation on that subject was sure to follow. He was a joy to be near and will be dearly missed.

Joseph is survived by his children: Gregory Dinan and wife, Marleya of Nacogdoches, Tx.; Meaghan Dinan and her husband, Carlos of Austin, Tx.; Steven Dinan of Austin, Tx. He also leaves behind seven grand-children: Ashley, Kelsey, Caitlin, Patrick, Joseph, Natalie and Elena as well as one great-grandson, Hayden Lee Zahn. He is also survived by his twin brother Edward and brothers Peter, Thomas and Christopher.

The Addison family and staff of Addison Funeral Home extend condolences to the Dinan family.

Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph Anselm Dinan*

July 20, 2022 at 05:14 PM



“ *I knew Joe when he was at Brown. He was sensitive and kind and so brilliant! He and I were in love for awhile, (or what ever it is at 19&20!) We had many wonderful adventures together; he had such an amazing imagination. I missed him in my life for many years and still think of him, which is why I went looking for him on line. Please accept my heartfelt sorrow for the lose of Joe in your lives. He was exceptional and unique. I have a whole box of letters from him which are amazing. If you would like them let me know.*

Suzanne Culbert Mehalick

8285155098

mehalick@bellsouth.net

Suzanne Mehalick - March 04, 2020 at 03:07 PM



“ *Joe and I worked side by side in 1977 in the Columbus, Ohio Gulf Oil Marketing District Office. Joe was from Maine and was naturally a huge Boston Red Sox fan and I was from Texas but also a Red Sox fan. We shared many heartbreaking stories of Red Sox*

Ron Ermel - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

RE

“ *Ron Ermel lit a candle in memory of Joseph Anselm Dinan*



Ron Ermel - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ *Aurora Gonzalez lit a candle in memory of Joseph Anselm Dinan*



Aurora Gonzalez - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ *Tom Lawson lit a candle in memory of Joseph Anselm Dinan*



Tom Lawson - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

WA

“ *I worked with Joe for almost 15 years and had some wonderful times. He was as good a friend as you could ever have. Joe always gave and never expected anything in return. I miss you Joe.*

Warren Ashworth - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

WF

“ *Warren Ashworth And Family lit a candle in memory of Joseph Anselm Dinan*



Warren Ashworth and Family - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ *As a co-worker Joe was always calm and collected and would research issues thoroughly. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.*

Srinivas Dasa-Rao - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

OW

“ *Omer Womack lit a candle in memory of Joseph Anselm Dinan*



Omer Womack - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *Joe will be remembered often. My thoughts and prayers are with his family who he talked about with great love and joy.*

Michelle Hale - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *Michelle Hale lit a candle in memory of Joseph Anselm Dinan*



Michelle Hale - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ *Gabriel Avalos lit a candle in memory of Joseph Anselm Dinan*



Gabriel Avalos - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *Don Smith lit a candle in memory of Joseph Anselm Dinan*



Don Smith - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

D&

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the Dinan Family.*

*David Paul and Family
CHS "64"*

David Paul &Family - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

D&

“ *David Paul &Family lit a candle in memory of Joseph Anselm Dinan*



David Paul &Family - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *The Ironsmith Family lit a candle in memory of Joseph Anselm Dinan*



The Ironsmith Family - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM