



**Joseph Richard Brady**, 63, of Newport, RI passed away peacefully at Newport Hospital surrounded by his family on Saturday, July 2, 2016.

He was predeceased by his wife of 28 years, **Ellen S. Brady** (Caswell). They were married in Newport at St. Mary’s Church.

Born in Jersey City, NJ on November 21st, 1952, he was the son of **Dolores Grace Brady** of Bogota, NJ and the late **Joseph Richard Brady**.

Joseph received a Bachelor’s Degree from the **University of Rhode Island** in 1975.

Joseph served as an administrative aide in the US Congress. He was the Chief of Staff to the RI Senate Majority Leader. He was the **Director of Constituent Services** to the Rhode Island House of Representatives. Joseph was also the Assistant to the Director of the **Department of Transportation of Rhode Island**.

Joseph was elected by the Rhode Island Senate to serve as the **Secretary of the Rhode Island Senate**, a constitutionally appointed position.

Joseph was a man devoted to service and volunteerism in the local community. He was a Director of the Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship fund. He was a past president of St. Joseph’s Parish Council. He faithfully attended mass at St. Joseph’s Church for over thirty years. He served as past president of Gooseberry Beach. Joseph was a member of the Knights of Columbus.

He was a board member of the **Museum of Newport Irish History** and a founding member of the **Kinsale, Ireland – Newport Twinning**.

Joseph was a member of the **St. Patrick’s Day Parade Committee** and was a proud parade marshal.

**Joseph R. 'Joe' Brady**

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Joseph was a member of the **Ancient Order of Hibernians** for the last 35 years. Within the AOH, he served as **Rhode Island State President, National Director** and the **Anti-Defamation chair**.

Joe was the recipient of **Fenian Award in 2010**. He truly embodied the motto of "Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity".

Joe loved to sing and was a founding member of "**The Whiskey Tenors**" and the **Newport Ancient Order of Hibernians Men Singers**.

He is predeceased by his father, **Joseph Brady Sr.**

Joseph is survived by his mother, **Dolores Brady** of Bogota, NJ,  
his sisters:

**Eileen Brady** of Bogota, NJ, and

**Jane Ledingham** and her husband **Richard** of Bogota, NJ,

his brother,

**Stephen** and his wife **Pamela** of Newport, RI,

his daughters,

**Amy Hansen** and her husband **LCDR John Hansen** and their four children of Jacksonville, FL, and

**Kathryn Brady** of Jacksonville, FL,

his son,

**Joseph Brady III** and his wife, **Jennifer** of Middletown, RI.

He also leaves his long-time companion **Sheila Dunn** and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

*Visiting hours was held from 4-7pm on Tuesday July 5, 2016, in the O'Neill-Hayes Funeral Home, 465 Spring Street Newport, RI.*

*A Mass of Christian burial was held on Wednesday July 6, 2016 at 10 am at St. Joseph's Church on Broadway and Mann Avenue, in Newport. Burial followed at St. Columba Cemetery, 465 Brown's Lane, Middletown, RI.*

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*In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Ellen S. Brady Nursing Scholarship, PO Box 573, Newport, RI, 02840.*