



## Reginald A. "Reg" Ney

January 24, 1944 - May 18, 2016

On Wednesday May 18, 2016, Reginald A. "Reg" Ney, age 72, of Debary, FL, formerly of Pleasant Hills, passed away at home with his beloved wife of 50 years, Joyce M. (Borland) Ney by his side. He is survived by 2 sisters, Carol (Rich) Usnick and Cindy (Lee) Leipold, 3 stepbrothers, Jack (Jean) Corey, Bob (Dee Dee) Corey, Jim (Ramona) Corey, a step sister-in-law Stephanie (Bill) Corey and nieces and nephews. Reg was born on January 24, 1944 to the late Marie M. (Pukansky) and Raymond W. Ney. He was a graduate of St. Elizabeth High School, Duquesne University and the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health. Upon his graduation from Duquesne, he started working there as a Laboratory Assistant at the Physics Department, advanced to teaching many Physics and Radiation Health courses and ultimately became Chairman of the Physics Department. He was an advisor to the Lambda Sigma Honor Society where he became famous for cooking his special spaghetti dinners at their annual retreat. He was active in the Health Physics Society, AAPT, AAAS, other science and computer organizations and served in the Army Reserves. He retired from Duquesne after teaching for 30 years and continued to pursue his interests in golf, travel, photography, sports and technology. He volunteered for American Diabetes Association activities, volunteered at many golf tournaments, traveled and photographed many places, especially National Parks and Disney World. In his later years he devoted all his time and energy to caring for aging parents. He will be greatly missed by all his family and friends. Friends received Thursday 2-4 and 7-9

pm at the GRIFFITH FUNERAL HOME, INC., 5636 Brownsville Road, (at 6th St.), South Park Twp. (412) 655-4600. Funeral prayer Friday 9:30 am with a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Thomas A' Becket Church at 10 am. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in Reg's memory to Duquesne University, c/o Simonetta Frittelli, 316 Fisher Hall, 600 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15282 (Designate on memo line of check: To the Physics Department in Honor of Reg Ney). Condolences may be offered for the family at [www.GriffithFH.com](http://www.GriffithFH.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY **26**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Griffith Funeral Home, Inc.  
5636 Brownsville Road  
Pittsburgh, PA 15236  
(412) 655-4600  
<https://www.griffithfh.com>

## Visitation

MAY **26**. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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5636 Brownsville Road  
Pittsburgh, PA 15236  
(412) 655-4600  
<https://www.griffithfh.com>

## Funeral Mass

MAY **27**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Thomas A' Becket Church  
139 Gill Hall Road  
Jefferson Hills, PA 15025  
(412) 655-2885  
<http://www.saintthomasabecket.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ Griffith Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Reginald A. "Reg" Ney



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Griffith Funeral Home, Inc. - May 26, 2016 at 03:05 PM

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“ Dear Joyce and family,

*you may not remember me, I am a former colleague of Reg's, I was a member of the math department at Duquesne. I just want to express my sympathy and how I remember Reg as a fun colleague and good person.*

*Kathy Taylor*

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Kathleen Taylor - May 28, 2016 at 09:30 AM

HJ

“ Reg was one of my best friends. We spent twelve years together at St. Elizabeth's School. We were altar servers at the first Mass for St. Thomas a' Becket Church in 1957. I will always be proud to say that Reg. was my friend.

*Hugh F. Mullen Jr,  
Class of 1961*

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Hugh Mullen Jr. - May 26, 2016 at 07:50 AM

JL

“Reg really was one of the “good guys.” He was always a gentleman, kind and compassionate, and a true and caring friend. Reg’s unquenchable thirst for experiencing life, for learning, and for exploring possibilities had grown exponentially. He was always looking into new “gadgets” (aka technology) and more than willing to share his wisdom. I will forever remember him with a Bluetooth in his ear, as if it had grown there. Reg and his lovely wife, Joyce, came to Florida, first to take care of Joyce’s parents and then Reg’s Dad. Without intending to, they pretty much made Florida their home for the last several years, and I was blessed with their friendship. God speed, my friend – we will miss you until we meet again.

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**Judy Lombardo** - May 21, 2016 at 11:15 AM

JK

“I am very sorry to learn about Reg Ney's passing. He was one of my Saint Elizabeth grade and high school classmates. Bright and friendly, he was always willing to help others, especially with physics experiments and problems! It was a pleasure to reacquaint with him some years ago for the planning of our high school reunion. I'll never forget the fun we had during our Class of '61 senior play "Cheaper by the Dozen" in which Reg played the lead role. So long old friend!

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**John J. Kudlik** - May 19, 2016 at 10:18 AM

JW

Reg was a St. Elizabeth fellow graduate. He was always there to help and always a friend. After graduation I didn't see him except at the class reunions. It was if we had not been separated for so many years or miles. The world is a better place because of him. He has left many positive memories.

*Janet E. Weber*

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**Janet Weber** - May 22, 2016 at 10:02 AM