It is with great sadness that we announce the peaceful passing of our beloved father Denis O’Brien on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 at the age of 90 years. Denis is survived by his sons Jerry (Jaye) and Michael; his daughters Mary Margaret, Eileen, Teresa (Brian) and Sheila; his grandchildren Meagan (Shawn), Marissa, Jeremy, Ellen and Evelyn; his great grandchildren Daniel and James; his brother Jeremiah (Beckie) in Ireland; and relatives in Ireland, England, Canada and the United States. Denis was predeceased by his loving wife of 49 years, Ellen Mary, his parents Jeremiah and Margaret, brothers Sean and Michael, and sisters Nellie and Margaret. Denis emigrated to Canada in 1950 to join his brother Sean and Uncle Dan. In 1954, on a visit home to Ireland, he met his one true love, Ellen “Mary” O’Donovan. Mary emigrated to Canada and they were wed at St. Joseph’s Catholic Church on November 26, 1955. They remained a devoted loving couple until Mary’s passing in 2004. Denis was an active member of the Knights of Columbus since 1951 and was proud to have been on the Honour Guard for Pope John Paul II in 1984. Denis was an amazingly accomplished man who deeply loved his wife, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. He had many friends and enjoyed telling stories of his life, his family, his travels and his early years in Ireland.

Prayers
Canadian Martyrs Catholic Church
Monday, April 9, 2018 at 7:00 pm

Reader: Michael O’Brien
Prayer of the Faithful: Mary Margaret O’Brien
Tributes: Martin Cowman

Funeral Mass
Canadian Martyrs Catholic Church
Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 11:00 am

Presider: The Rev. Vincent Tuan Ha
Tributes: Anne Cowman

Readers
Martin Cowman Lisa Lindquist
Prayer of the Faithful: Walter Muscoby
Musician: Katherine Burko

Eternal rest grant unto your servant Denis, O Lord, and let eternal light shine upon him.

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Musical Selections
Canadian Martyrs Resurrection Choir
Members of the Irish Cultural Society Choir

Offertory Bearers
Jeremy O’Brien Daniel Delorme-O’Brien
James McConnell Meagan O’Brien
Evelyn O’Brien Ellen O’Brien Marissa O’Brien

Honour Guard
Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus

Honorary Pallbearers
James McConnell Meagan O’Brien
Evelyn O’Brien Ellen O’Brien
Marissa O’Brien Daniel Delorme-O’Brien

Pallbearers
Shawn McConnell David Mohr
Brian Sereda Jeremy O’Brien
Sean Collins Ed Waite

Bagpiper: Ken McTavish

Photo Memories: Prepared by Denis’ Family

Reception
Immediately following the Funeral Mass, relatives and friends are invited to meet with the family in the Canadian Martyrs Parish Hall.

Graveside Service
Queen’s Park Cemetery