



Patrick "Happy" Patent

December 14, 1936 - July 9, 2015

Patrick "Happy" Patent, 78, beloved husband, father, grandfather, mentor and friend passed away suddenly on July 9, 2015. The loss to our family is beyond words, and we are all so grateful for the outpouring of caring thoughts, prayers and support.

"Happy" warmed our hearts, motivated our souls, and taught us the value of hard work - "Work smarter, not harder". He touched the lives of so many - inspired us, encouraged us, stood by us and motivated us to be the best we could be. The joy and light he brought to all was such an enormous gift, one for which we will be eternally grateful. He was truly exceptional man - one who will continue to live on in all of our hearts.

Immigrating to the United States from France in 1956, he greatly appreciated this country for all its opportunities and freedom. He enlisted in the US Air Force, where he piloted many missions. As fate would have it, he met his wife, Marie when she performed at a USO show at Pease Air Force Base.

Throughout his life, he always focused on the positive, and loved sharing time with family. He made every effort to always be present at the many celebrations of both family and those close to him, including graduations, awards ceremonies, weddings, holidays, and family dinners. Husband to Marie (Dupuis) Patent for 56 years, father of two, and grandfather of eight, he

also “adopted” many others along the way, in particular, students at NHAPA with whom he shared a special bond and close connection.

A big proponent of academics, he pursued and earned both undergraduate and master degrees in Business and Engineering, studying at Suffolk University and Harvard. His career in Aerospace Engineering took him on many travels, including Europe, South America, Guam, Indonesia, Thailand, Scandinavia and England. He loved to travel and enjoy the many different cultures, foods and always, good wine or his “drinkie-poo”. He was particularly enthused and honored to work with NASA on many of the early space launches and retrievals. Space, the stars and galaxy fascinated him, as did history, the arts, architecture and opera.

Outside of work and family, Patrick was a huge support to NHAPA, the studio founded by his wife, Marie and now in its 59th season. During the early years, Patrick could be found running lights and sound, helping to orchestrate rehearsals and shows and overseeing all operations. More recently, he came by almost daily to spend time, check in, and assist with any problem of the day, whether it was a broken fixture or fickle operating system. He was ALWAYS there.

Patrick loved life and enjoyed every moment-he took advantage of any opportunity to love and be loved. In the recent months, when much time was spent in and out of Brigham and Women’s Hospital, his outlook was always optimistic, spirit bright. The physicians, nurses and staff were exceptional and remarked on how Patrick was always the “perfect patient”-easygoing, kind and grateful.

We have chosen to honor “Happy” with a Celebration of Life gathering, Saturday, October 10, 2015 from 4-7 P.M. at the Academy of Performing Arts, 875 Lafayette Road, Seabrook, NH 03874.. Relatives and friends are

respectfully invited.

Many have asked how they can help or what they can do. Dr. Fisher's Oncology team at Dana Farber was instrumental in treating Patrick. The work and research at this most prestigious institute was admired and supported by Patrick-a big advocate of medical research. Please consider making a donation in Patrick's name to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Division of Development & The Jimmy Fund, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284-9168 or online at www.dana-farber.org. A scholarship will also be established in his honor. The Patrick "Happy" Patent scholarship will be awarded to a high school senior each year (beginning in 2016) who best exemplifies the qualities Patrick expected: work ethic, perseverance, motivation and pursuit of academic excellence. Donations to the scholarship may be made directly to: SCDC, 875 Lafayette Road, Seabrook, NH 03874.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

OCT **10**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Academy of Performing Arts
875 Lafayette Road
Seabrook, NH 03874

Tribute Wall



“ Patrick "Happy" Patent

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ Dear Mrs. Patent, Robyne, Kim and the rest of the NHAPA family,

Sending love and prayers your way during this difficult time. I feel so blessed to have known and spent time with Mr. Patent. He was like a surrogate grandpa to me - and to many others of the NHAPA family. He was certainly one of a kind, and I will never forget him. We were definitely lucky to have him, just as he was lucky to have all of you who loved him so much.

*Love Always,
Jenn Fisher*

Jenn Fisher - October 01, 2015 at 04:45 PM



“ Dear Mrs. Patent,

It is with much sorrow that I write to you today. So glad I was able to speak with Mr. Patent at the recital. He told me how he enjoyed watching the show. He was very proud of how far the two of you had come. His words "Look at it, it's a first class show." My memories are many of the early days in the small studio, probably some of the best of my childhood and young adulthood. Please know that my thoughts are with you and the girls at this terribly sad time.

Love Kathy

Kathy - October 01, 2015 at 04:42 PM

CD

“ Words can not describe how much Happy meant to me. He was one of the best, and will be dearly missed. Happy showed me such kindness throughout the years, and I am ever so grateful for that. "We repay the good in our own lives by investing in someone else's." Happy was lucky to have lived a life full of joy and love, and in return, he invested in so many others over the years, touched so many lives. I feel blessed to have been one of them. To my favorite date, third grandfather and the best CIA agent I've ever met, I miss you. Thank you for making my world a better place.

L+K,
Corinne



Corinne DiZoglio - October 01, 2015 at 04:35 PM

BM

“ Dear Mrs. Patent,

I don't even know where to begin. I am so deeply sorry for your loss. Happy was truly one of the greatest men I have ever had the pleasure of knowing. He was always so supportive of me and honestly NHAPA's number one fan. He is now an angel looking down and will always be with you every single day. Happy left an amazing legacy and will forever be remembered as the loving, kind, and caring man he was. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family at this time. I love Happy, and was so blessed to have known him.

*Love,
Brooke*

Brooke Moylan - October 01, 2015 at 04:03 PM

MM

“ Dear Mrs. Patent,

Words cannot express how sad I am to hear about the loss of your husband. Mr. Patent was a wonderful man. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

*Sincerely,
Mark*

Mark Moylan - October 01, 2015 at 03:57 PM

PM

“ Dear Mrs. Patent,

I am so very sorry for the loss of Mr. Patent. He was like a family member to us and he will be greatly missed. I know the heartache you and your family must be feeling at this time, I can only hope the thought of him being an angel in your life is a comfort.

*Love,
Patti*

Patti Moylan - October 01, 2015 at 03:53 PM

AH

“ *Wishing you strength for today and comfort in the days ahead, knowing how much your loved one meant to so many.*”

We are so sorry to hear the news about Pat. What a wonderful and special person he was in our lives! He will be dearly missed and we are grateful for the many fond memories we have to cherish! God bless!

*Love,
Aunt Hermance and Family*

Aunt Hermance - October 01, 2015 at 03:39 PM

AA

“ Dear Mrs. Patent,

Words can't express how sorry we were to hear of Mr. Patent's passing. We are all so very sorry and saddened. You are in our prayers and intentions. By God's mercy and love, we know that you will find comfort in the love and memories. If there is anything we can do, to help and comfort, please reach out to us. God bless you and watch over you. Much love.

*With deepest sympathy,
the Arcidi Family*

Ann Marie Arcidi - October 01, 2015 at 03:32 PM

KB

“ *"Life is a journey of sweetness and sorrow, of yesterday's memories and hopes for tomorrow, of pathways we choose and detours we face with patience and humor, courage and grace, of joys that we've shared and of people we've met who have touched us in ways we will never forget."*

We are so sorry to learn of the passing of Mr. Patent. He was such a special man and so good to our family. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

*Love,
Karen, Tim and Caroline Bonsaint*

Karen Bonsaint - October 01, 2015 at 03:24 PM

AB

“Honoring a life of kindness and warmth and all the love-filled memories that will now mean more than ever.”

There are no words that I can write that will ease your pain. I can only tell you that my heart aches at the thought of not having Mr. Patent at the studio. He was one of the most delightful people I had the pleasure of knowing. He touched so many hearts and lives. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

*With sympathy,
Amanda*

Amanda Black - October 01, 2015 at 03:13 PM

CA

“We are so sorry to hear of Patrick's passing. He was such a charming, warm hearted, gentle man. We were honored to know him.

*Sincerely,
Carol and Enver*

Carol - October 01, 2015 at 03:08 PM

SS

“ Dearest Mrs. Patent,

We have heard about Mr. Patent and are very sorry for your loss. We loved seeing him with his positive attitude and smile and wonderful hugs. We will always remember him going to every show and performance, getting to see him when we could was a gift in itself. Thank you for always being there for us, now it is our turn to return the favor. You and Mr. Patent have inspired us to do great things and just "be happy." We miss him very much and we have so many memories with him that will last forever. Our love, prayers, and thoughts will be with you always. Thank you and your family for being a part of our life. We love you and Mr. Patent very much.

*Love,
Sloan Strickler*

Sloan Strickler - October 01, 2015 at 03:06 PM

LS

“ Mrs. Patent,

I am truly sorry for your loss. He was an amazing man and he always brightened the days of the people around him. I loved his hugs and his words of encouragement and his bright, smiling face. He will never be forgotten by me and he will always hold a special place in my heart. I love your family so much and I will miss Mr. Patent very much. Once again, I am deeply sorry for your loss. Your family will stay in our prayers through this tough time.

*Love,
Lauren Strickler*

Lauren Strickler - October 01, 2015 at 03:00 PM

LS

“ Dear Mrs. Patent,

Words can not express the sadness we feel for your loss of Mr. Patent. We can not even begin to imagine the impact of this and what you all must be going through. Stating what has been shared so deservedly so many times before... he was a genuine and loving man, and so special in so many ways. The thing I appreciated most about him was his sincere interest in each and every person he saw. No matter what he was doing when we saw him he would take the time to stop, talk and offer a loving hug or squeeze. Just his presence made you feel better. As so many - we will miss him so very much and know he will not be forgotten. Our deepest love to you at this very tragic time.

*Love,
Linda and Tom Strickler*

Linda Strickler - October 01, 2015 at 02:52 PM

PF

“ Dear Mrs. Patent,

I was very sorry to learn of your beloved husband's passing. Though my daughter has been at NHAPA only two short years, it did not take long to appreciate the beauty of the Patent family, a beauty that can only grow out of a partnership and love such as yours and Mr. Patent's. I know you take comfort from your girls and their wonderful children. Please know the larger extended NHAPA family is thinking of you in your grief.

*Much Love to You,
The Peterson Family*

Peterson Family - October 01, 2015 at 02:41 PM

MM

“ I am so sorry for your loss! I have been thinking of you. I wanted to let you know that I really loved Mr. Patent!

Love,
Madi McMillan

Madi McMillan - October 01, 2015 at 02:22 PM

SM

“ Whatever soothes your spirit, comforts your soul, and brings you peace that's what you're wished at this sad time. You and your extended family are in our thoughts and prayers.

With Love,
The McMillan Family

Stacia McMillan - October 01, 2015 at 02:22 PM

AG

“ Dear Marie,

Happy was such a special person and touched so many lives in a very special way! He will be greatly missed! Much love to you and your family as you celebrate his very special life!

Love,
Andrea and Keith

Andrea Gaines - October 01, 2015 at 02:19 PM

DO

“ He was quite a gentleman. Our condolences.

Debra, Joe, and Katie O'Connor

Debra O'Connor - October 01, 2015 at 02:17 PM

CO

“ Dear Mrs. Patent,

I am so sorry for your loss. Mr. Patent was a gentle, caring soul who touched the lives of all who knew him. I will never forget the time I spent with him as a young girl in the living room of your old house where we would visit him before and after dance class. In later years I always looked forward to seeing him and speaking French. I will miss him greatly, he was a huge part of our NHAPA family. Thinking of you.

*Love,
Chrissy*

Chrissy O'Keefe - September 17, 2015 at 12:30 PM

LS

“ Patent Family,

We are so sorry for your loss. Caitlin and I remember Pat with smiles on our faces.

*Love,
Lynn & Caitlin Sullivan*

Lynn Sullivan - September 17, 2015 at 12:25 PM

JM

“ Marie,

Our hearts are broken for you. So sorry for your loss. I had a great bond with Patrick for all these years as neighbors with you and all the years serving on the board together.

John & Carol Morrissey

John Morrissey - September 17, 2015 at 12:23 PM

VA

“ *I can't even begin to express my sorrow for your loss & the joy he's given me. You both have taken me in as part of your family and I will always be blessed for having known him and will always treasure my talks and memories! You all are in my thoughts and prayers!*

*Love,
Val*

Val - September 17, 2015 at 12:20 PM

KK

“ Dear Marie,

I cannot imagine the loss you and the girls are feeling at this moment. Your Pat was our Pat - you shared him with all of us & therefore we all grieve with you. However, we also recognize the blessing of knowing a "GOOD" man - which in this day is very few and far between. Pat was a "Good" man!!!

May his strength of character infuse us all and give you the ability to carry on with your work and life. My heart reaches out to you as well as your family.

*Much Love,
Kathy Kopala & Family*

Kathy Kopala - September 17, 2015 at 12:15 PM

KW

“ *"Some lives are like a song we know we'll always carry with us."*

We were shocked and deeply saddened to hear about the passing of Patrick. As we remember the life of Patrick, and all the lives that he touched, may a warm smile come upon our face. He was such a kind and gentle soul, who will be truly missed, but never forgotten. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

*God Bless,
Don & Kathy Wilson*

Kathy Wilson - September 17, 2015 at 12:10 PM

JL

“ Remembering a beautiful soul who lit up our lives and whose memory will live on in our hearts forever.

*With Sympathy,
Marissa Lambert & Julie Lambert*

Julie Lambert - September 17, 2015 at 12:04 PM

SF

“ Our deepest sympathies during your time of loss. Mr. Patent was such a kind and gentle man who touched the hearts of so many. His caring presence and warm hugs would always put a smile on everyone's face, and he will truly be missed.

*Sincerely,
The Saracy Family*

Saracy Family - September 17, 2015 at 11:59 AM

LC

“ Dear Mrs. Patent,

I am so deeply saddened by your loss, but I want you to know that I have been thinking of you during this tough time. I feel so blessed to have had the opportunity to grow up with Mr. Patent in my life, and have so many fond memories of him that I will keep in my heart forever. I will miss his warm hugs and sweet smile every day. I am honored to have the chance to dance for him, and I know he is looking after us no matter what. Thank you for your never-ending love and support. I am sending you all of my love!

*Love Always,
Larissa C.
xoxo*

Larissa Claar - September 17, 2015 at 11:56 AM

CL

“ Dear Marie,

I am saddened, and so sorry for your loss. Patrick was a very special person in every sense of the word. He had the rare combination: strength of character, with a gentle soul. I'll always remember him on the night of your recital, looking so handsome and proud. His devotion to you, his family, and all you've accomplished together, is apparent.

During this difficult time, there are no words adequate to ease the depth of your personal loss. But, just know that Patrick is greatly missed by all of us here at St. Magnus.

*Love,
Claudia*

Claudia - September 17, 2015 at 11:52 AM

JR

“ Dear Mrs. Patent,

I'm so sorry to hear of your husband's passing. He was a very special person in my life, who always found time to encourage me. He was one of the kindest people I have ever met. I am thinking of you and your family.

*Sincerely,
Jen Rackley*

Jen Rackley - September 17, 2015 at 11:47 AM

HC

“ Dear Aunty,

No words I can write can truly reflect how I feel about our loss of a "one of a kind" Godfather, Husband, Uncle and friend. So many good and fond memories about our annual Thanksgiving shopping trips with Uncle Pat patiently waiting, reading a book in the middle of the mall and many others. The one thing I can remain confident about is that he is reunited with his family and is in the most 'Happy' place in the universe above. We will get through this as a family!

*With love and support and caring thoughts,
Holly, Joe, Annibel, Noelle, & Haylei*

Holly Coolican - September 17, 2015 at 11:34 AM

ND

“ Dear Mrs. Patent,

I am so sorry for your loss. You sure did choose a wonderful man to be your husband. I admire you both in so many ways. He was a kind, spirited man and had a loving, fatherly, protective nature. I feel blessed to have gotten to know him. My prayers are with you!

*With Much Love,
Nikki
xoxo*

Nikki DelliColli - September 17, 2015 at 11:25 AM

BK

“ Dear Marie,

I was so sorry to hear of "Happy's" passing. Such a tremendous loss to your family. He was such a kind and generous man. We will never forget the kindness he and your whole family showed Caitlin. Caitlin has many fond memories thanks to you and Patrick. You're in our thoughts and prayers.

*Fondly,
Barbara Kotkowski and Family*

Barbara Kotkowski - September 17, 2015 at 11:21 AM

PD

“ My thoughts are with your family,

I grew up dancing at NHAPA. My Dad passed away when I was ten years old. I was fortunate to have just a few very wonderful "dads" in my life. Mr Patent was one of them. He holds a very special place in my heart.

With love, Pam, Chris and Mia Dye

pamela dye - September 15, 2015 at 08:27 AM

MW

“ Mrs. Patent,

My thoughts are with you and your family. You and Mr. Patent received so many notes from me when Kathryn was part of your world for all of those years - I appreciated the large piece of her world you owned. I remember Mr. Patent taking Kathryn to the opera and helping to teach her to drive! The overriding memory is how kind and loving Mr. Patent was. Know you're in my heart.

*Love,
Maureen*

Maureen Wecal - September 10, 2015 at 03:44 PM

MW

“ Dear Mrs. Patent and Family,

Words cannot express the shock and sorrow that we have felt over the past seven days. Mr. Patent was taken from you, from your family, from all of us who knew him and loved him, much too suddenly and far too soon. Our hearts are broken, our thoughts are with you. Mr. Patent was the dad that everyone wanted, and his special gift was making us all feel like we were a member of his family. His warmth and humor enveloped us. He can never be replaced. Please accept the sincere condolences of the entire Witherington family.

*With Love,
Margaret and Blake*

Margaret Witherington - September 10, 2015 at 03:33 PM

AA

“ *Mr. Patent was a very special man and touched my life, along with everyone he met. I am so sorry for your loss. You have all been in my thoughts. I feel so lucky to have been a part of his life. Love you all!*

*Love,
Abby Allsopp*

Abby Allsopp - September 10, 2015 at 03:28 PM

AB

“ *Mrs Patent,*

I wanted to send a note to express my condolences for the passing of Mr. Patent. Like you, he had so much love for all of us that made NHAPA our second home. I appreciated his advice throughout the years. I enjoyed our talks about business and politics and I looked forward to his smiling face. May your memories be a comfort to you at this difficult time.

*With Love,
Alicia Buono*

Alicia Buono - September 10, 2015 at 01:13 PM

AT

“ *Dear Patent Family,*

We are so sad to hear of the loss of Mr. Patent. He was such a wonderful person, kind, loving and extended his love to our family for many years. Please know you are in our thoughts and in our hearts always.

*Love to all,
The Tinkham Family
Jerry, Ann Marie, Katherine, Megan & Shannon*

Ann Marie Tinkham - September 10, 2015 at 01:09 PM

LI

“ *I was so sorry to hear of Mr. Patent's passing. Kathy called me to let me know. I have such memories of him through the years. That impish smile! He was always so proud of you, Robyne and Kim. It was clear to me when I last saw you all, how much he reveled in the grandchildren. My thoughts and prayers are with you all!*

*Love,
Liuda*

Liuda - September 10, 2015 at 01:07 PM

BP

“ *Losing a family member is so difficult. Please know you are in our prayers.*

Bruce and Sherry Pierce

Bruce Pierce - September 10, 2015 at 12:38 PM

JC

“ Mrs. Patent,

I am so sorry to hear of Mr. Patent's sudden passing. I have always felt blessed to have known him and his very special family. He always had a huge hug and loving smile for me even when much time had passed. He had a way of making everyone feel special. It is with a heavy heart I send my love, prayers and hope that you may find peace. We all know how very special Mr. Patent was, he will be dearly missed.

*Much Love,
Jeanne Carignan*

Jeanne Carignan - September 10, 2015 at 12:37 PM

JR

“ Dear Mrs. Patent and family,

This is a very sad time for you and your family. Mr. Patent was a wonderful man who touched so many lives with his kind words and sincere caring ways. His beautiful smile is a reminder how happy his life was. We will always remember his genuine warmth when he would see us at the performances. Our heartfelt sympathy for your loss. Thoughts are with you and your loving family during this difficult time.

"God gave us memories so we may have roses in December."

*Love,
Red & Joanne*

Joanne Ratcliffe - September 10, 2015 at 12:33 PM

KC

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I have many memories of Mr. Patent joking around with all of us at the studio. "Happy" always knew how to put a smile on everyone's face! Thinking of you!

Love,
Kristin

Kristin Cutter - September 10, 2015 at 12:17 PM

TC

“ We were so sorry to hear of Mr. Patent's passing. I have many fond memories of him and his humor and encouragement during my childhood.

Warmly,
Tammy, Allison and Katie Carignan

Tammy Carignan - September 10, 2015 at 12:15 PM

 Troy
Harrison

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Troy Harrison - August 21, 2015 at 07:47 AM

Troy
Harrison

“ 1 file added to the album *Happiest*



Troy Harrison - August 04, 2015 at 04:04 PM

Troy
Harrison

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Troy Harrison - August 04, 2015 at 04:00 PM

Troy
Harrison

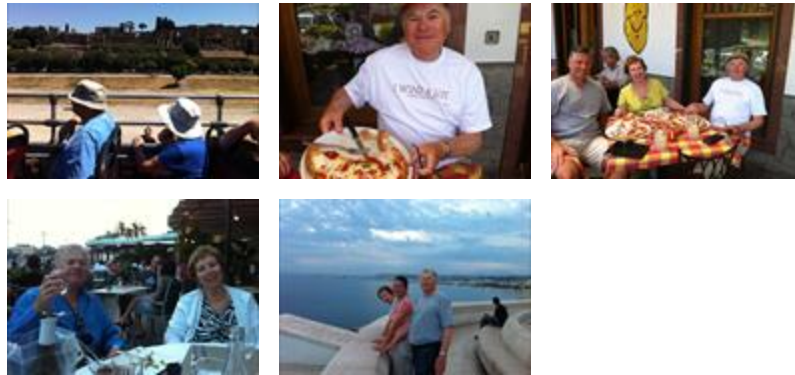
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Troy Harrison - August 04, 2015 at 08:59 AM

Troy
Harrison

“ 6 files added to the album *Happiest*



Troy Harrison - July 28, 2015 at 04:54 PM

JC

“ *For 10 years Mr. Patent was a dear, dear friend. I spent many Saturday afternoons with him. He always welcomed me into his home after practice. Always had something special for me. We often traveled to shows or classes together. I was sad when he had to travel, as I would seemingly go weeks without seeing his smile or bubbly personality. As a child, you often don't realize the people that touch your life and inspire you - but Mr. Patent was one of those people. His kindness and generosity I carry in my heart to this day - more than 25 years later.*

Jenny (Andreozzi) Clark

Jenny Andreozzi Clark - July 27, 2015 at 05:33 PM

Troy
Harrison

“ 2 files added to the album *Happiest*



Troy Harrison - July 23, 2015 at 06:03 PM

MK

“ *As a small child, Mr. Patent was part of what felt like a second home to me. After moving away when I was 11, I returned as an adult and the first person I saw when I entered the studio was Mr. P. As if no time had passed, he gave me a big bear hug, described some memories he had of me, asked about my family and made me feel like no time had passed at all. That was him. He will be missed. Sending so much love to all of his family. XO*
Marriah Kalil

Marriah Kalil - July 23, 2015 at 07:02 AM

JA

“ *My condolences to Marie, Robyn and Kim. Was shocked to hear of Pat's passing recently. My memories of Pat are from the early days (trips to Boston for dance conventions followed by stops at Putnam Pantry for those ice cream sundaes) Pat always insisted on stopping!!!!!!! We all traveled to New York for the 1964 World's Fair (what a thrill for me) Marie remember we danced together and Pat was there backstage for support. Your studio was my second home and you two were my second family!!! Be comforted in your memories-he was such a special husband, father and friend!!!*
Sincerely, Jan (Palmer) Adams

jan adams - July 18, 2015 at 05:37 AM

KB

“ I feel very blessed to know Mr. P & his family. The love, respect, loyalty & devotion they all have for each other is truly remarkable & inspiring! I remember Mr. P always had a smile & hug for everyone, never an unkind word & always making people laugh! He was adored by many & will be missed. He was one of a kind for sure! Love to the whole family.
Kathy Blais

Kathy Blais - July 17, 2015 at 06:11 PM

SA

“ There was no one quite like my grandfather. I am honored that he chose to stick with my nickname for him (Happy, as I could not pronounce Pepe) as it truly does exemplify him as a person. There are so many memories I have, it's hard to narrow down which to recall. But above all, he gave me a greater gift than any, unconditional love. As many have said, he was like a second father or grandfather to them, and I was always so proud that he was apart of my family. Thank you to the moon and back for everything Happy. I miss you so much already. Until we meet again.... number 1a.

Sarah - July 17, 2015 at 05:26 PM

TM

“ Tracey Macarty lit a candle in memory of Patrick "Happy" Patent



Tracey Macarty - July 17, 2015 at 04:03 PM



“ *I feel so blessed to have known Mr. Patent. There are many words I could use to describe him. Kind, generous, smart, and, of course, happy all come to mind. But more than anything, Mr. Patent was a constant cheerleader for myself and the rest of the NHAPA family. He cheered us on at every show, rehearsal, and competition. More so, he was a cheerleader for me in my own personal life, someone I turned to during injury and harder times when I was younger, and as I got older, someone who supported and advised me about college, jobs, and everything in between. I could always count on him for support and encouragement, and that is something I will always cherish.*

So thanks for the memories, Mr. Patent. For the Saturday morning chats, the dinner dates, the drives to pick up forgotten props, and for being the role model that you were. I'll miss you.

Sending all my love to the Patent family.



Jenn Fisher - July 17, 2015 at 03:54 PM

KL

“ *Mr. Patent was so generous to spend his time at the NHAPA studio and to know first hand all the dancers and their families. He greeted everyone with such warmth, leaving me with the impression that there couldn't be a better place to be on a Saturday morning than the studio with the NHAPA family. I am thankful that he shared many smiles and caring conversation over the years with me and my daughter Hayely. Our thoughts and prayers are with Mr. Patent and his family.*

Kathleen Lewis - July 17, 2015 at 02:25 PM

Troy
Harrison

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Troy Harrison - July 17, 2015 at 01:18 PM

RL

“ *I was recently shocked to find out that one of my dearest mentors and friends had passed away suddenly. Mr. Patent was an amazing person who always supported me through my journey into the Navy. He loved that he was the "gentleman" to my officer, and he flew all the way to Maryland to be part of my Naval Academy graduation. You will be sorely missed, we love you!*

Rachel Lessard - July 17, 2015 at 11:49 AM

AB

“ *NHAPA becomes a second family to the dancers who grow up there. Mr. & Mrs. Patent's love for us was so genuine. No matter how much time passes, Mr. P always had a smile and a hug whenever I saw him. One of my favorite memories of him was how he would stop at the studio on his way home from work just to say Hi. Then he would watch the progress of whatever dance we working on like a proud parent. You could always feel his support and encouragement. You will be missed by so many Mr. Patent-I know you will keep watching all of our progress and smiling down from heaven. Rest in Peace*

Alicia Buono - July 16, 2015 at 01:37 PM

EM

“ *Everett Moitoza sent a virtual gift in memory of Patrick "Happy" Patent*



Everett Moitoza - July 16, 2015 at 09:19 AM

EM

To Marie, Kim & Robyne - Patrick was a sweet man, a sharp business guy and, clearly, a most wonderful father and husband. His passing was a shock to me and a tremendous loss to you all. May he rest in peace and may you all manage the tremendous grief and sadness with courage and love for each other and his memory.

Everett Moitoza - July 16, 2015 at 09:23 AM

KT

“ *No matter how much time went by, Mr Patent always remembered you and made you welcome with a smile. He was simply one of the kindest nicest men ever. I'm so sorry to hear of this. He will be so missed.*

Kristen Tanzer Teixeira - July 16, 2015 at 06:25 AM

HK

“ I have so many great memories of my Uncle. He was truly a joy to be around as he was one of the most positive people I have ever met. He was nicknamed Happy for a reason as he was always smiling and full of life. We should remember his words, "Don't worry about it!" Or No problem. He was so cool! I am sharing a video and photo of a nice celebration we had on June 18th. This will be a special night to remember.

I know Happy is over the mountaintop in a peaceful, loving place wrapped in Gods arms. We must now follow in his footsteps. I love and will miss you, Heidi



hkjanson@yahoo.com - July 15, 2015 at 10:46 PM

EG

“ My heart and thoughts go out to Mrs.Patent, Robyn and Kim and families of the passing of Mr.Patent. He was always had a smile for you and a kind, warm energy about him. May the pain of his loss pass abs be filled with vibrant memories.-Erin

erin gamble - July 15, 2015 at 09:08 PM

CC

“ A MESSAGE OF DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO
THE FAMILY OF PATRICK "HAPPY"
PATENT
CAROLE CAMPOBASSO- .



CAROLE CAMPOBASSO - July 15, 2015 at 08:17 PM



“ *Maureen Shea lit a candle in memory of Patrick "Happy" Patent*



Maureen Shea - July 15, 2015 at 03:25 PM



Sending my heartfelt condolences to the Patrick's family. I was a student in the dance school for a few years and recall vividly how the stage came to life because of Patrick. Because of those experiences, I learned the arts are so very important, but not as important as the people involved in them. When my daughter was old enough, I was able to pass on these important lessons to her. Thank you for teaching these life lessons... and may God bless you now in Heaven and your family always. Maureen Shea (Hampton / Lakenheath England

Maureen Shea - July 15, 2015 at 03:30 PM



“ *My Dearest Happy!*

How do I even begin to express my gratitude for "taking me in as one of your own". You have been the greatest "father" a girl could have and I am truly grateful and blessed for having known you. I will never forget our time spent and the many conversations we've had that have helped shaped me into the person I am today. Some of my greatest memories are with you. My love an condolences to the entire family.

Val

Valerie Pontbriand - July 15, 2015 at 12:01 PM

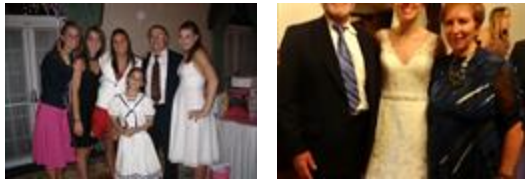
CH

“ *My Dear Happy,*

You have touched my heart and the lives of so many! I can't thank you enough for welcoming me into your family and for your continuous motivation and support. You truly were always happy and it is so easy to visualize your smiling face. I have so many fond memories of our opera trips and dinners out. I feel so blessed that I was invited on these special occasions. You always filled our conversations with so much wisdom and taught me the importance of good company. Your spirit will always be with me and I'm sure every other NHAPA dancer.

Sending all of my love to the family!

<3 Caitlin (Kotty)



Caitlin Hanacek - July 15, 2015 at 10:56 AM

SI

“ My every memory of Mr. P is a “happy” one. I can’t think of a time where he wasn’t smiling, wasn’t encouraging and wasn’t genuinely interested in hearing all the little goings on of my family. His support and generosity were endless and I consider myself so very fortunate to have him as part of my extended NHAPA family. He will be missed but always remembered with such great joy.

Sending all my love to the entire Patent Family.

*Always,
SB*



Sarah Ingram - July 15, 2015 at 10:17 AM

KG

“ Dear Happy,
I feel so blessed to have been able to know you. Even though Andrea and I were not part of your true extended family, you always made us feel as if we were. I could always count on a warm smile, hearty handshake, and witty conversation whenever we met. You always had a mischievous twinkle in your eye, kind of like you knew a secret that the rest of us didn’t. Actually upon reflection, I think you did. Your joyful approach to life, no matter what the adversity, is something we all should try to emulate. Thank you for all of your unwavering support for Andrea through her battle with cancer. It meant the world to us.

*Love,
Keith Gaines*

Keith Gaines - July 15, 2015 at 07:41 AM

AG

“ Dearest Happy, thank you for being a very special and loving person who was always “happy” and upbeat with a big smile and always ready to have a fun time! You touched everyone’s lives in a very positive and special way. I personally felt a special bond between us with both being patients at Dana-Farber and being treated by the same physician. You always offered me a special kind of support during all my treatments. You will be greatly missed by all!! Sending my deepest sympathy to your family along with my love and big hugs as they celebrate your very special life!
With love and very fond memories, Andrea Gaines



Andrea Gaines - July 15, 2015 at 07:22 AM

LL

“ Thank you Happy for all you have done for your family. Not just your immediate but the global family. Happy is such a fitting name. You always inspired and taught young people to believe in themselves. You believed in me and supported me. I will always be grateful.
Rest in peace Lars

lars lundgren - July 14, 2015 at 10:46 PM

TL

“ Happy touched the lives of each and every student that walked through those doors at NHAPA. He smile was infectious and he lit up the room every time he walked in. I will always have the fondest of memories of Happy, we all loved him as our own. Sending condolences, much love and warm hugs to all! Xo



Tiffany Battles LeBlanc - July 14, 2015 at 09:37 PM

ND

“ Nikki DelliColli lit a candle in memory of Patrick "Happy" Patent



Nikki DelliColli - July 14, 2015 at 09:27 PM

 Emily Mohr

“ Emily Mohr lit a candle in memory of Patrick "Happy" Patent



Emily Mohr - July 14, 2015 at 09:07 PM

MC

“ Michele Dupuis Castner sent a virtual gift in memory of Patrick "Happy" Patent



Michele Dupuis Castner - July 14, 2015 at 07:53 PM

DG

“ Thinking of all of you at this time. Mr. Patent was like my "second father" growing up. Always smiling, never seemed to worry about a thing! So glad I was able to see him this past recital! Thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time. I found a picture of him dating back to the seventies behind the scenes at the old Winnacunnet stage! Not sure if it will be clear enough! Love, Deb Gendron xxxxx



Deb Gendron - July 14, 2015 at 07:28 PM

MC

“ Michele Dupuis Castner lit a candle in memory of Patrick "Happy" Patent



Michele Dupuis Castner - July 14, 2015 at 07:24 PM

MC

Oh how Pat will be sorley missed by all of us! He was a magnificent person! We will cherish all of the wonderful memories we have made through the years! Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this sad time! Truly a life to celebrate! Love and condolences! Aunt Hermance Dupuis and family. RIP Pat XOXO

Michele Dupuis Castner - July 14, 2015 at 07:45 PM

MC

Michele Dupuis

Michele Dupuis Castner - July 14, 2015 at 07:48 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Happy Video



Matthew Rodriguez - July 14, 2015 at 05:13 PM

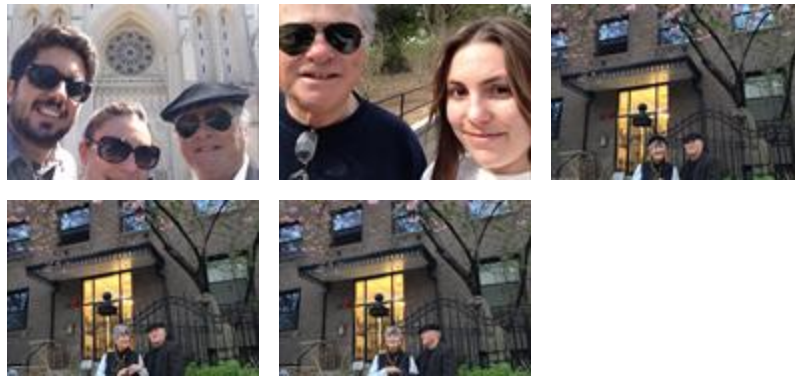
RM

I just love this video. I recall Marcus struggling for hours with technology to show it to us at our last family reunion, and how much Henri was ribbing him as he persevered. Thank you, Marcus! It was so worth all your labour

Rose-Anne Manns - July 14, 2015 at 05:41 PM

SL

“ 20 files added to the tribute wall



Sarah Lundgren - July 14, 2015 at 02:25 PM

RH

“ 50 files added to the album "Happy Days"



Robyne Harrison - July 14, 2015 at 01:33 PM