

In Memoriam: Commissioner Edward McGaffigan Jr.

After a long battle with melanoma, NRC Commissioner Edward McGaffigan Jr. passed way at 1:30 pm on September 2, 2007. He was 58. He is survived by his Mother, Margaret; Brother, Brien; Sister, Kathleen; Son, Edward; and Daughter, Margaret. His wife of 18 years, Peggy, passed away in 2000.

Commissioner McGaffigan was first appointed to the Commission by President Clinton in 1996, and began an unprecedented third term of service in October of 2005. He lived to mark the 11th anniversary of his first swearing-in at the end of August.

NRC Chairman Dale E. Klein noted, “while many people know that Ed was the longest-serving Commissioner in the agency’s history, only those of us who were privileged to work alongside him can appreciate how devoted he was to his work and the value of public service... how much he believed in the mission of the NRC... and how much he was admired and respected the men and women who work at the NRC.”

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that donations be made to Huntington’s Disease Society of America, Washington Metro Area Chapter, 8303 Arlington Boulevard, Suite 210, Fairfax, VA 22031 (703-204-4634).

Condolence cards may be sent to the NRC address below. They will be forwarded to the McGaffigan family:

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