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Please join us for our 11th Annual Candlelight Memorial Service

Andrew J. McGann & Son invites you to attend its annual Candlelight Memorial Service on Saturday, Dec. 17, 2011.

The service will be held at the funeral home at 10727 S. Pulaski Rd., Chicago, Ill. It will begin promptly at 3 p.m. and will last about 45 minutes. Fr. John Breslin will preside over the non-denominational memorial service. He will be accompanied by soloist Myles Armor and organist Darryl Petty. Following the service, refreshments and cookies will be served by the Andrew J. McGann staff while families mingle and relax before the holidays.

The service will also feature a DVD presentation of pictures of loved ones who have passed away. If you'd like a photo

of your loved one to be included in the program, please drop one off at Andrew J. McGann & Sons by Tuesday, Dec. 12. You can take home your picture after the service. For questions and reservations, please call Joe Stubits at 773-401-2544 or Joan Costello at 773-783-7700.



Father Breslin presides over last year's service.

Pantry drive to benefit Wounded Warriors Program

Andrew J. McGann & Sons is having a Food Pantry Drive to benefit the Wounded Warriors Project. From now until Jan. 1, 2012, we ask families to drop off non-perishable food items in Andrew J. McGann & Sons' lobby.

The Wounded Warriors Project's mission is to honor and empower our nation's wounded warriors. The organization raises awareness and enlists the public's aid for the needs of injured service members. Wounded Warriors also helps injured service members aid and assist each other, and it provides unique, direct programs and services to meet the needs of injured service members.

Please help our brave heroes in need by offering them a small token of your appreciation. If you need more information, please call Joe Stubits at 773-401-2544.



Personal Milestones *Welcome home, brother!*

Andrew J. McGann & Sons Funeral Director Phil Maher celebrated the return of his brother Army Reserve Lt. Col. John Maher who came home after a 13-month deployment in Kabul, Afghanistan.

Maier, 40, supervised 15 attorneys who oversaw contract and federal budgetary compliance for approximately \$15 billion worth of construction, personal services and humanitarian projects. During his service, he has been recognized with the Bronze Star, a rarity among lawyers serving in the military, according to Maier.

Maier is a resident of Chicago's Roscoe Village community. He was a partner with Epstein Becker & Green and an associate with Mayer Brown Roe & Maw before joining Duane Morris.



Lt. Col. John Maher's family gave him a warm welcome home recently. From left are Maier, his brother and Andrew J. McGann & Sons Funeral Director Phil Maher, his sister Julia Dombrowski, his mother Marian Maher, and seated in front is his father Norm Maher.

What They are *Saying about Us*

*Dear Jeff,
I'm not able to put into words what a wonderful job you did. As usual, everything was flawless thanks to the support team behind you. Everyone had nothing but wonderful comments about the service, music, and luncheon. Thanks for suggesting the Army. It was a beautiful touch and "Em" would have loved it.*

— Arlene C.

Thank you for making a difficult time easy for us and for going above our expectations for everything else.

— Darlene M.

I just wanted to say, "Thank You So Much!" for your help. My Mom looked so beautiful and so much younger! Thank You Again.

— Loretta S.

*Dear Joe,
Thank you for all the times I have spent with you and the Grief Support Group to heal our broken hearts. Truly you are a man sent by God to give us consolation, your soothing voice, compassionate words make you special to all who come to you. Again Many Thanks.*

— RS

*Dear Chris,
"Thank You" is a simple phrase, but still it's meant to show that we appreciate your kindness more than you could know. May God bless you always.*

— Tom and Debbie F.

We're here to help *Attend one of our grief support sessions*

The Days, Weeks and Months after losing your loved one can be extremely difficult. We are always here for you to help in any way we can.

We are now in our fifth year of offering monthly Grief Support Sessions for grieving family members and friends. The community of support can help ease the pain and offer strategies and techniques to get through this difficult time. The upcoming dates are listed below. Feel free to call Joe Stubits at 773-401-2544, or email him at JStubits@stei.com for more information or to reserve your spot.

All meetings are free of charge thanks to our wonderful friends at the Oak Lawn Library at 5300 W. 95th Street, Oak Lawn, Ill., right next to Zimmerman & Sandeman Funeral Home! All meetings are held downstairs in the Rotary Room at 2 p.m. on the following dates:

- Dec. 7, 2011
- Jan. 4, 2012
- Feb. 1, 2012
- March 7, 2012
- April 4, 2012
- May 2, 2012
- June 6, 2012