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**Patrick J Carey '55**

Patrick Joseph Carey was born in Philadelphia on May 23, 1937 to the late Mary Boland and Dominick Carey. He died in Las Vegas, Nevada on April 3, 2011 at the age of 73. He attended Most Blessed Sacrament and St. Francis De Sales elementary schools before graduating from West Catholic High School for Boys in 1955. He loved playing basketball wherever he could – the Southwest Philly playgrounds, the Narberth summer league and for his alma mater. He was named to Philadelphia's All Catholic Basketball Team and held the Catholic league scoring record of (47) points per game after passing Joe Ryan of St. Joe Prep who was at (45) PPG. Pat attended Villanova University on an athletic scholarship before marrying Helen Redding (Notre Dame, 1953). Together they had four children, Patricia (Bill Fisher), Patrick, Michael (Sharon) and Linda (Pete Romano, Jr.). He is also survived by his brother, Richard M. "Barry" Carey (West Catholic, 1958), his grandchildren, Lauren and Brian Hayworth; Patrick, Will, Michael and Katie Fisher; Ryan and Eric Carey; and Patrick (P.J.) Carey and friend and caregiver, Lora Lynn Brady. His early career included working at GE and competing against the Harlem Globetrotters as a player with the Washington Generals. In his later career, he worked in the transportation industry with Trail mobile and Transport International Pool as Sales Manager and Vice President. Next to the pride he took in the accomplishments of his children and grandchildren, he was most proud of being welcomed into West Catholic's Sports Hall of Fame in 2009. At his induction, in his typical fashion, he thanked all his teammates who had passed him the ball and apologized for never giving it back! After traveling around the world and living in many places – California, Hawaii, Georgia, Florida, Utah, Pennsylvania and Nevada - he will be coming home to rest in peace, nearer to his family and those who loved him. Pat's memorial Mass will be held at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Morton, PA on Saturday, April 30, 2010 (visitation 10-11 AM; Mass at 11 AM) followed by burial with his parents at Holy Cross Cemetery, Yeadon PA.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to West Catholic Alumni Association, Post Office Box 889 Ardmore, PA 19003, and In Memory of Pat Carey '55 or to Odyssey Vista Care Hospice Foundation, c/o Foundation, 4011 McLeod Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89121



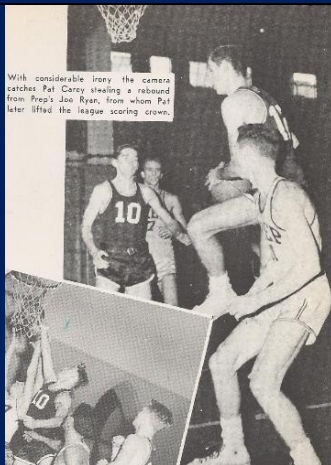
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Pat Carey, '55 Inducted to the West Catholic Sports Hall of Fame in 2009 for Basketball has passed away in Las Vegas Nevada. His passing came in the last week, as provided by his daughter, Trish. Details regarding Pat's Funeral are being held up because he died out of state; most likely the service will be following Easter at Our Lady Of Perpetual Help Church in Morton Pa. The Alumni Association will list this information, when made available on our Web site: [www.westcatholicalumni.org](http://www.westcatholicalumni.org)

Pat was an important part of the 1955 West Catholic High School Catholic League Basketball Championship team coached by Mr. Jim Usilton. His game high 47 points during the 1955 season moved him ahead of Joe Ryan of St. Joe Prep, who had previously held the single scoring record of 45 points in a single game.

Please see all pages that focus on Pat and his Teammates as well as his Coach and Team Managers and the competition. Pat Carey is #12 in the Photo with the Caption RE: 47 Points in One game against Roman Catholic.



**Pat Carey of West Catholic lifts a rebound from Joe Ryan.**

**Pat's 47 points against Roman Catholic helped him to lift the Single Points per game recognition from Joe who had scored 45.**



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First row: Jim Duna, Ed McCafferty, Gerry Donaghy, Captain Joe Spratt, Bob Frank, Ray Brown. Second row: Jack Rowan, Pat Carey, Jim McNichol, Joe Driscoll, Rick Clane, Joe McGinn.

Pat Carey, #12 with his teammates...The 1955 Philadelphia Catholic League Basketball Champions.



Glancing over memorabilia given are Dave Bean (mgr.), Brother Aloysius (moderator), Joe Rao (mgr.), Jimmy Galton (coach) and Bob Ritter (mgr.).



Pat Carey #12 competes against the eventual City Champs for 1955, Overbrook High School, led by Wilt Chamberlain and teammates.