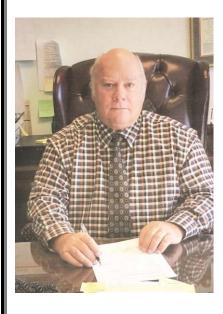
## HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

## Raymond O'Hare, '66



Ray O'Hare was born on April 7, 1948 in the Hell's Kitchen neighborhood of New York City residing at 49<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue. He was educated by the Irish Christian Brothers at Sacred Heart Grammar School, Power Memorial Academy and Iona College. After graduating from PMA in June 1966 he entered the Irish Christian Brothers seminary. He left seminary and continued his education at Iona College leaving in his junior year when he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. He completed his tour of duty and was honorably discharged on June 6, 1972.

On June 15, 1972 Ray was appointed to the Keansburg Police department as a patrolman. He moved up the ranks serving as a Detective, Sergeant, Lieutenant and was appointed Chief of Police on February 1, 1986. He served as Chief for 25 years retiring on June 30, 2010 after serving 38 years with the Keansburg PD. He currently serves the Keansburg community to this date as the Keansburg Town Administrator.

While serving with the Keansburg Police Department he received numerous commendations and citations including Policeman of the Year, Awards for Merit and Valor, meritorious service and the Silver Star from the American Police Hall of Fame.

He is a Life member of the Keansburg Policemen's Benevolent Association, a Life member of the NJ State Association of Chiefs of Police and of the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

Ray was married on August 14, 1971 to his wife Emily recently celebrating their 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary. They have four children, Raymond Michael, Bryan, Maureen and Kathleen and they have fourteen grandchildren. Ray considers his grandchildren his greatest joys.

Ray is a Communicant of St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church in Keansburg. He has been the co-chairman of the Sisters of Mercy of New Jersey annual black tie fund raising events in Atlantic City. He has also served on the Board of Directors for the Filippini Sisters of New Jersey.

Ray is also a member of the Keansburg Volunteer Fire Department joining the department in August of 1972. He is still an active member of the department today. He has served as a firefighter, Lieutenant, Captain, Assistant Chief and Chief of the department. He is a member of the New Jersey State Fire Chief's Association. He has also been elected to the Keansburg Board of Fire Commissioners several times and has served as Chairman of the Board.

Ray also served the Keansburg community as a member of the Keansburg Board of Education in addition to serving as president of the Board. He also has served on multiple committees and community boards in the town.

Ray's children have said that their father has always taught them to be loyal and true to their Community, Country and Church and that they must always remember that Christ has given the O'Hare family so much and that in turn they must give much back to others.