



## Patrick "Pat" Wayne Hogan

August 12, 1932 - February 18, 2026

The world has lost one of the truly great public relations masters, storytellers, and collectors of indispensable information of our time. Patrick Wayne "Pat" Hogan died February 18 at Tallahassee's Westminster Oaks Retirement Community, his home of more than 20 years. He was 93.

Pat Hogan was associated with Florida State University for 37 years, serving six presidents dating back to Doak S. Campbell in the 1950s. When he retired in 1990 as Vice President for Public Affairs, the University called him FSU's "number one friend raiser."

A 1955 journalism graduate of Florida State, he administered the University's governmental programs, community relations, alumni affairs, media relations, publications, special events, WFSU-FM and WFSU-TV. Earlier, he had served as Director of Sports Information, Public Relations, University Relations, Executive Assistant to the President, and Associate Vice President.

A native of Little Rock, AR, he was a staff writer for the oldest daily newspaper west of the Mississippi, The Arkansas Gazette. Hogan came to Tallahassee to attend FSU in 1952. Shortly thereafter, he met and married Sarah Nell Hancock. They were married 58 years before Sarah's death in 2012. Pat and Sarah welcomed a son, Wayne in 1956, who would also become an FSU graduate and work in the exact same position as his dad, Sports Information

Director, more than 30 years later.

Pat was a member of Gold Key, Alpha Phi Omega (national service fraternity), and the Circle of Gold. He received the Alumni Association's Distinguished Service Award in 1985, was honored by the national Council for the Advancement and Support of Education in 1988 for his 25 years of distinguished service and received the Faculty Senate's Mores Torch Award in 2011.

In 1990, Hogan was inducted into the FSU Athletics Hall of Fame for his significant contributions to the national prominence of the Florida State sports programs.

A Rotarian since 1963, he received the Tallahassee Rotary Club's Frederick Clifton Moor Award in 1995 and was recognized for more than 50 years of service to Rotary International. Pat was a lifelong member of the Church, worshipping for decades at the Timberlane Church of Christ.

In retirement, he was an active community volunteer, caregiver, and a certified memory coach. He was an Ambassador for the Westminster Oaks Retirement Community, and a founding member of the Westminster Alzheimer's Action Group (WAAG). WAAG was recognized in 2015 for its role in the unveiling of the Florida Dementia Care and Cure Initiative. This initiative, beginning in Tallahassee, is engaging communities across the state. Pat and his late wife, Sarah, have one son Wayne (Dawn), three grandchildren, Lindsay Elliott (Jason), Kelly Bench (Jason) and J.P. Hogan (Elizabeth), and four great grandchildren Leighton, Dayton, Knox and Sutton.

A Memorial Service will be held at 10:00AM on Friday, February 27, 2026, at the McGuire Center at Westminster Oaks.

In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be made to The Alzheimer's Project Big Bend  
301 E Tharpe St, Tallahassee, FL 32303 (850) 386-2778 (<https://alzheimersproject.org/>) or  
the Westminster Oaks Foundation.

Dayne Parker of Bevis Funeral Home (850-385-2193 or [www.bevisfh.com](http://www.bevisfh.com)) is assisting the Hogan family with their arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

FEB 27. 10:00 AM (ET)

Westminster Oaks McGuire Center  
4449 Meandering Way  
Tallahassee, FL 32308

# Tribute Wall

MB

“ I met Pat at Westminster Oaks when he lived on the same street as my parents. He knew me from my PR work with the city and I just loved getting to talk with him every chance I could get. He always had some encouraging words to share or an uplifting story or his wry smile and laugh. What a wonderful, caring, man he was. All my love and prayers to his family. He is so missed already.

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**Michelle Bono** - February 23 at 09:49 PM

TR

“ So sorry to hear this Wayne. When Mother moved to WMO, I had the opportunity to spend some time with Pat. He was a delight. Wayne, God speed and peace to you and your family.

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**Tom Roberts** - February 21 at 06:10 PM

SS

“ My sister Greta Lee and I are so sorry to hear Pat passed. Our Dad worked with him when FSU was a close family. Pat would always tell us great FSU stories. He also made us feel like part of his family. Had that big smile and just told you things that made you feel good. Bowl games always fun too with your parents around. Wayne: We will miss him! You and your parents are fantastic! Go Noles!

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**Sten T. Sliger** - February 21 at 12:43 PM

VM

“ I had the privilege of working for Dr. Hogan in 1988. Such a wealth of knowledge and always had funny stories to share every morning. My thoughts and prayers and with his children and the entire family.

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**Vicki Morrison** - February 20 at 12:47 PM

SM

“ Stephanie Marshall lit a candle in memory of Patrick "Pat" Wayne Hogan



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**Stephanie Marshall** - February 19 at 11:39 PM

SM

*I'm a CNA at Westminster Oaks and I just had a conversation with Mr. Hogan on Wednesday morning and was saddened to hear the news on today of his passing, he was a very well known and loved man and will be missed, I also had the pleasure of taking care of his wife Mrs Sarah, my deepest condolences to his family 🙏*

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**Stephanie Marshall** - February 19 at 11:44 PM

AG

*Pat and Sarah were neighbors and good friends on Parchment Cove. He called me the "mayor" of PC. Several years later we became neighbors again when he moved to Assisted Living. He had a way to make you feel good about yourself. I'm saddened, but blessed to have known him. May his family have peace as we will all miss him.*

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**Annette Greene** - February 23 at 11:33 AM