



John J. McHugh

John "Jack" McHugh was born in Pennsylvania and moved to New Jersey in 1944. He graduated from the Clifford J. Scott High School, East Orange in 1949 and received his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Upsala College in 1954. Jack joined the U.S. Army and was on active duty from 1955 to 1957. One day in 1958 at Newark College he read a note on the bulletin board for teachers in Point Pleasant, NJ. This led to eight years as a sixth grade teacher at Ocean Road School, with some of those years teaching at a local fire house due to over crowding.



Jack liked new things and became Vice Principal of the new Point Pleasant High School in 1963 and after receiving his Masters Degree in Administration and Supervision from Rutgers in 1964, he became Principal of the new Nellie F. Bennett School in 1969. He later returned to the new Ocean Road School as Principal in 1991 and retired in 1992. After he retired he became a Student Teacher Supervisor for Georgian Court College. Jack is a member of the National Education Association, the New Jersey Education Association, and the New Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association.

Mr. McHugh has always been known for his warmth and concern for every student that attended his schools, never forgetting a name or the parents for years to come. To many he epitomizes the father figure, a role model for any new teacher or administrator.

Jack has been married 43 years to Irene McHugh, a retired kindergarten teacher for the Point Pleasant Schools, and his children, John Jr., Thomas, and Kristin are graduates of Point Pleasant High School.