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Patrick P Leneghan

Patrick P Leneghan was born in Ballycroy, County Mayo, Ireland, the youngest of the five children of Anthony Leneghan and Mary (Carty) Leneghan. When he was 15, his parents decided to move to the United States. Several months later, in 1959, he arrived in Cleveland with his father to join his mother, brother Bart, sisters Julia (Togher) and Mary Ellen (Chambers). His brother John resides in Westport, County Mayo.

Patrick Leneghan met his wife, Bridget Grealis, at the West Side Irish American Club. She, too, had been born in Ballycroy. Married in 1963, they have seven sons, all married and living in the Cleveland area, and 12 grandchildren.

Leneghan worked for 10 years in steel business for Harvard Manufacturing Co. In 1973, he purchased the Sircle Spring Company, which he still owns and operates today; its manufacturing operations are in Cleveland. In 1978, he purchased The Lab Apparatus Company and, in 1981, he and Bridget started the North Shore Strapping Company, which manufactures packaging materials from steel and plastic. In 1990, they set up a distribution center in Los Angeles for products they manufacture and purchase. In 2000, Leneghan purchased the controlling interest of a coffee roasting company, Berardi's Fresh Roast, in North Royalton, and a 150,000 square foot building off Granger Road in Brooklyn Heights.

A lover of history, Leneghan has traveled extensively throughout the U.S. and Europe. He has visited his homeland many times with his wife, children and grandchildren. He has served on the Seven Hills Charter Commission and was campaign chair for several candidates, including the mayor of Seven Hills. A member of St. Columbkille Parish, Leneghan actively participates in numerous organizations that assist those less fortunate and other organizations that benefit the humanities.

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