



## Ambassador James Nolan,

January 7, 2016

Ambassador Nolan was born in Washington, DC on December 2, 1931 to James E. Nolan MD and Helen Sheehan Nolan. He attended the Priory School, now St. Anselm's Abbey School, and graduated from the Catholic University. He was also a graduate of the Defense Language School and the National Defense College. After service in the Army, he joined the FBI where he served for nearly 25 years. His last position was as Deputy Assistant Director in the Intelligence Division where he was responsible for all FBI Foreign Counterintelligence Operations. He was twice awarded the National Intelligence Distinguished Service Medal. Following his retirement from the FBI he was the first Director of the Office of Foreign Missions of the Department of State in 1986, President Reagan, with the advice and consent of the Senate awarded him the rank of Ambassador. In retirement he moved to the Shenandoah Valley. He served as Chairman of the Board of the Association of Former Intelligence Officers; as President of the Shenandoah Valley Music Festival and as a Trustee of Belle Grove Plantation. He is survived by his wife, Mary Bosley Nolan and numerous nieces and nephews. His sister, Joan Nolan O'Donnell predeceased him. Ambassador Nolan had served for many years as a Lector and Eucharistic Minister at Our Lady of the Shenandoah Church in Basye, Virginia and was an active member of St. John Bosco Roman Catholic Church in Woodstock. In lieu of flowers memorial donations can be made to, Belle Grove Plantation 336 Belle Grove Road Middletown, Virginia 22645 or St. Anselm's Abbey School 4501 South Dakota

Ave NE Washington DC 20017-2753. A Funeral Mass will be held Saturday, January 9, 2016 at 1:00 P.M. at the St. John Bosco Roman Catholic Church. Father Michael Dobbins will officiate. Burial will be private.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Jim Nolan was a colleague, occasional partner and a genuine friend of mine when both of us served as FBI Agents in the New York Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He was a dedicated FBI investigator and most skilled in his duties. The news of his passing was a shock to hear but brought back memories of his indulging in the smoking of his beloved tobacco pipe. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family. May Jim "Requiescat in Pace/ Rest in Peace".

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**Andrew J. Soltys, Jr.** - January 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM