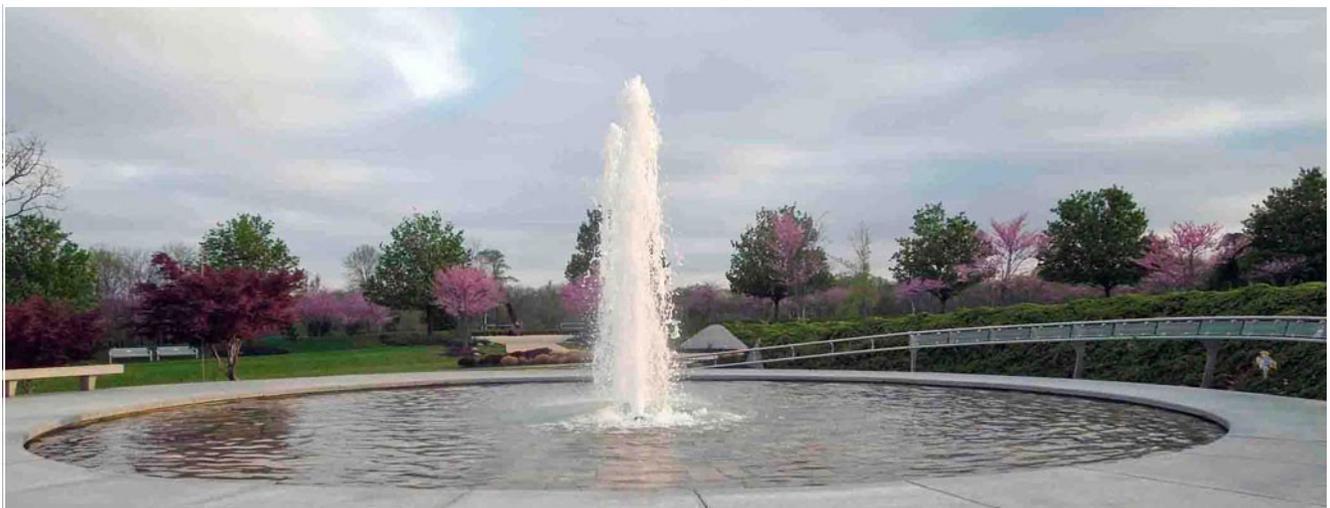


# WE WILL NEVER FORGET September 11, 2001



The Garden of Reflection 9-11 Memorial



United We Stand In God We Trust

## “Sacred Ground,” the final resting place of the heroes of Flight 93

Administered by the National Park Service and encompassing more than 2,220 acres, the memorial includes a visitor center; walking paths including the 40 Memorial Groves; and The Tower of Voices, a 93-foot tower with a wind chime representing each person who perished on board. Visitors can walk through Memorial Plaza to the Wall of Names, where the names of every passenger of Flight 93 are recorded, before proceeding to the crash site itself, known as .

### Patrick Joseph Driscoll



Patrick Joseph Driscoll  
NPS photo

**Age:** 70

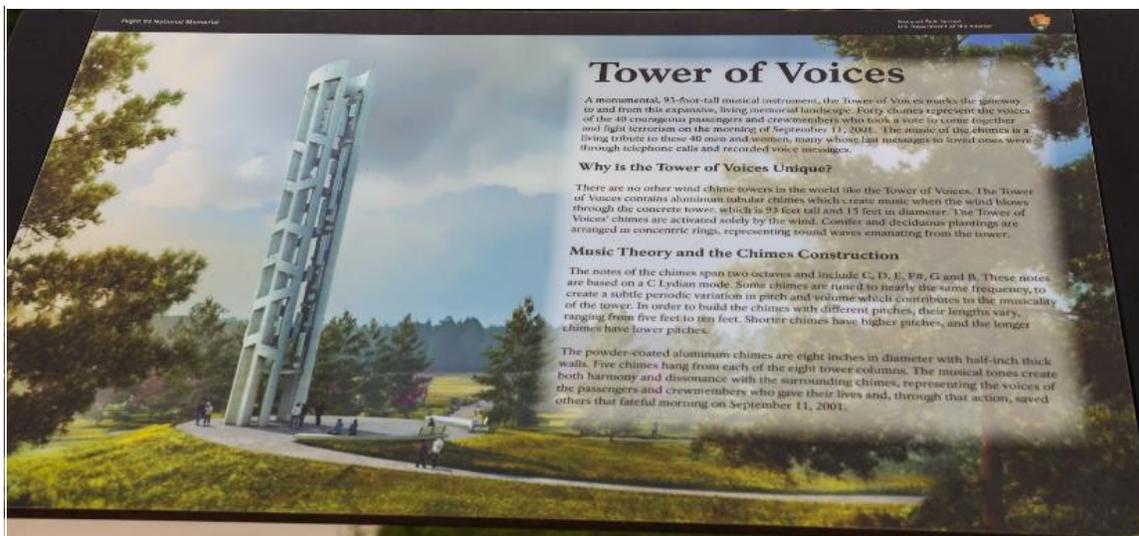
**Hometown:** Manalapan, New Jersey

**Occupation:** Retired Executive Director of Software Development, Bell Communications

**Reason for travel:** Hiking trip

When Patrick Joseph Driscoll reached the summit on a challenging hiking trail, he described it as a spiritual experience. On September 11, he and his long-time friend, William Cashman, were traveling to hike in Yosemite National Park. The Manalapan, New Jersey resident was the son of Irish immigrants, grew up in Manhattan, and served four years aboard a U.S. Navy destroyer during the Korean War. He earned an engineering degree from New York University and a master's degree in computer science from Rutgers University. Joe, as most people called him, retired as the Executive Director of Software Development for Bell Communications and then devoted himself to his church and his community. He and his wife were married for 42 years and had four children.

Patrick served aboard the USS POWER DD 839 During the Korean War





Beyond the mission at hand, there wasn't much else on First Lieutenant Heather Penney's mind. She had accepted the fate of Flight 93's passengers, believing whether she succeeded or not, they were going to die. She briefly toyed with the idea of ejecting from her plane just before impact, but quickly dismissed the idea, knowing she had only one shot and didn't want to miss. It didn't even cross her mind that there was a possibility the pilot of United Flight 93 was her father, who often flew out of East Coast cities. As it turned out, he wasn't. For the next 90 minutes, Penney and Sasseville made ever-increasing sweeps of D.C. airspace, looking for the fourth airliner. "We never found anything," Penney told HISTORY. After about an hour into their mission, Penney and Sasseville heard that the Flight 93 had crashed in a field in Pennsylvania. Passengers on the flight had heroically prevented the hijackers from reaching their target. Now the mission changed from intercept to sanitizing the airspace. Not every aircraft aloft that morning was aware the FAA had ordered a national ban on takeoffs of all civilian aircraft regardless of destination. With the assistance of civilian air traffic controllers, Penney and Sasseville began to divert any aircraft away from the D.C. area and ordered them to land as soon as they could. They also identified the first-responding aircraft assisting the rescue at the Pentagon.



USS New York (LPD-21), the fifth San Antonio -class amphibious transport dock, is the fifth ship of the United States Navy to be named after the state of New York. New York has a crew of 360 and can carry up to 700 Marines. It is notable for using a symbolic amount of steel salvaged from the World Trade Center after it was destroyed in the September 11, 2001