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**The Arc Remembers Tim Quinn**  
*Arc Visionary Leader and Advocate For People with Disabilities*  
*April 26, 1953-January 10, 2010*



The Arc has lost a beloved member of its family. Timothy James Quinn, Executive Director of The Arc Northern Chesapeake Region, passed away after a lengthy battle with cancer. Tim served as the Executive Director of The Arc since 1990 and during his tenure he transformed the organization from facility to community based support services. Tim was a trailblazer who loved life, people, and creating change that made a difference in the lives of others. Tim was widely known and admired for his visionary leadership and commitment to community building, and because of his efforts, countless thousands of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities are leading fuller lives.

Tim was also involved with disability issues at the state and national level. He served on the Maryland Developmental Disabilities Council for 10 years, and has served as a Board member of several organizations including the Harford Leadership Academy, Family Partnership, and the Maryland Association of Resources for Families and Youth (MARFY). He was past President of The Maryland Association of Community Services (MACS) and has represented The Arc on the ADA Accessibility Guidelines Federal Advisory Committee. He was a frequent presenter at both state and national seminars and known for his quick wit and sense of humor.

In addition, Tim has been a proponent of inclusive educational opportunities for children with developmental disabilities and played an instrumental role in establishing an award winning Educational Partnership Initiative (EPI) that has served as both an educational and support group for parents designed to give them the knowledge, confidence and support to be strong advocates for their children within the public school system.

Tim was a remarkable person who leaves behind a legacy of a life well lived. He exemplified the core values of The Arc.....a life filled with integrity, respect for and responsiveness to others, team building, inclusion and self determination. He would want each of us to continue to forge ahead to carry forth these values in our own lives!

"Tim's joy of life, resilience and passion keep us going. Tim is beloved and admired by so many around the country, indeed the world," says friend and colleague, Cristy Marchand, Executive Director, The Arc of Maryland.

There will be a viewing Wednesday, Jan 13 from 2-4 pm and from 7-9 pm at:  
Ruck Towson Funeral Home  
1050 York Road  
Towson, Maryland 21204  
Phone: 410-823-1700  
Directions are available here: <http://www.ruckfuneralhomes.com/index.cfm>

The funeral will be Thursday, Jan 14 at 10 am at:  
St. Joseph Parish, Cockeysville  
100 Church Lane  
Cockeysville, Maryland 21030  
(410) 683 - 0600  
<http://www.stjoseph-parish.org/>

The family has asked in lieu of flowers that donations be made either to the:  
Tim Quinn Memorial Fund, Arc of the Northern Chesapeake, 4513 Philadelphia Road, Aberdeen, MD 21001  
or to the: Padraig Quinn Trust Fund, 239 North Main Street, Elkton, MD 21921

*The Arc offers a wide variety of services to individuals with developmental disabilities in Harford, Cecil, and Kent counties, both children and adults, to make informed choices with their lifestyles, vocations, education and recreational pursuits, and to assure stable and nurturing lives among their families and friends.*