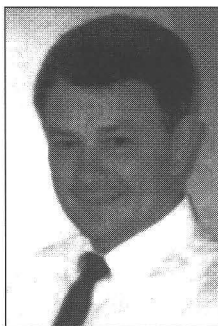


## An appreciation Padraig O'Halloron 1952-1995



The sudden death of Padraig shocked and saddened his many colleagues.

Padraig was born 5 miles from Ennistimon, Co. Clare. After National School, he attended Ennistimon CBS and later, the agricultural college at Mountbellew. He joined forestry in 1971 and was appointed Assistant Forester to Lough Gill Forest in 1974. He later served in both Kilkenny and Wicklow before returning to his native Clare in the mid-80s. Padraig spent the latter part of his career on research, in which he had a keen interest. Just shortly before his death, Padraig led a very successful field day on hardwood establishment and management at Ballygar Forest.

His calm and relaxed manner and good sense of humour enabled Padraig to form great friendships with those he worked with, all of whom will miss him greatly.

Padraig was very artistic, testimony of such is the interior decorations which he himself carried out in his beautiful house at Ennis, and the landscape and patios which he laid down with great taste. He also loved music and was a very talented singer, entertaining us on many occasions with his great collection of songs.

Since his marriage in 1988, Padraig's total devotion was to his wife and family.

Those of us who were so privileged to know Padraig will never forget his light-hearted sense of humour and that permanent smile which we will always miss. Of course, those who will miss him most are his wife Ann, his young children Anthony, Edel and Orla, and his mother, brothers and sisters, to all of whom we extend our deepest sympathy. May he rest in peace.

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