

## Peter M. Conway

October 8, 1952 - September 22, 2023

Peter Michael Conway, 70, was born into eternal life on Friday, September 22, 2023, with his wife and children by his side. Born in Albany, he was the eldest son of W. Robert Conway and Rosemary (Garry) Conway. Peter graduated from Vincentian Institute, SUNY Cobleskill (A.A.S.), Cornell University (B.A.), and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (M.S.). He was a Registered Landscape Architect.

Peter was a partner at the design firm of Clough, Harbour & Associates (CHA). During his 40 year career, he made many lasting contributions to the Capital District and beyond. His notable projects include Tricentennial Park, Hudson River Pedestrian Bridge, Jennings Landing at the Corning Preserve, and the Albany Capital Center.

He served faithfully on various boards, including the Albany Board of Zoning Appeals (Chairman), Capital Region Chamber of Commerce, The Friendly Sons of St. Patrick (President), and LaSalle School for Boys. He was a parishioner of St. Teresa of Avila, now Mater Christi Parish, where he coached CYO basketball and volunteered at the food pantry for many years.

Peter was an avid Yankees fan, voracious reader, coin collector, and history buff, but golf was his true passion. He was an active member of Wolferts Roost Country Club for 30 years and served on the Board of Governors. His foursome, known as the “dew sweepers,” was legendary for their good-natured competitiveness. As a member of Kensington Golf & Country Club in Naples, FL, Peter enjoyed countless rounds as the captain of the “Naples Guys” golf group. He loved being in Florida and shared many happy times there with his family.

Peter was the beloved husband of Patricia (Raffetto) Conway, with whom he recently celebrated 46 years of marriage. He was the loving father of Lauren (Martin) Modahl and Ryan (Molly) Conway. Of all of Peter’s accomplishments, his greatest joy was his granddaughters: Aerin Elizabeth, Norah Rose, and Siobhan Phillips. He is survived by his siblings Robert (Linda) Conway, Garry (Patty) Conway, Susan (Frederick) Prince, and Timothy (Deirdre) Conway, his brother-in-law Edward (Kathy) Raffetto, several nieces and nephews, his loyal pup Benji, a large extended family, and many dear friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, in-laws Harold and Rose Mary Raffetto, and granddaughter, Lenoir Faith.

The family would like to extend a special thanks to Dr. Lawrence Garbo, Dr. Mark Rubin, the staff at NCH Baker Hospital in Naples, FL, and St. Peter's Hospital (McAuley Unit). Relatives and friends are invited to join the Conway family on Friday, September 29 at Mater Christi, 40 Hopewell St., Albany, NY 12208. Calling hours will be from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and funeral services will follow at 11 a.m.

Those wishing to remember Peter in a special way, in lieu of flowers, may send a contribution in Peter's name to The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Northeast, P.O. Box 22470, New York, NY 10087. To leave a message for the family, please visit <https://www.maginandkeeganfuneralhome.com/>.

# Tribute Wall

MH

“ I just went to lunch w/friend Landscape architect& heard the terrible news of Peter's passing. I'm so sorry for Patricia and Tim; I'm heart broken too. Such a Great Landscape Architect and friend. His great works of Tricentennial Park where he made it possible to initiate Alive@5 and Hudson River Pedestrian Bridge& Jennings Landing at the Corning Preserve which was even more spectacular! Peter will be Greatly missed and loved by Albany residents that fill these spaces & are able to enjoy the Summers and falls on the Hudson River because of him. THANK YOU PETER for your Gift of Design and Love for Albany.

Melanie Hiris - October 21, 2024 at 02:28 PM

DC

“ Prayers and Deepest Condolences To You Trish Conway and Family. David A Catinella Filenes Friend and Coworker.

David Catinella - October 11, 2023 at 06:41 PM

JA

“ Pete, was a kind man and a generous mentor. When my wife and I had our first daughter, he took me to the side and explained, “You know, now it’s two against one.” Pete was also a very wise man.

*I am so glad to read about his family that remembers him.*

Jay - October 06, 2023 at 11:20 AM

RE

“ Peter was an accomplished engineer and a man of great integrity. His humor, joy and empathy made him a person you just loved being with. As a commercial real estate lawyer, I was privileged to work with him over many years. He just made everyone around him a better person. My deepest condolences to his family. Robert G. Wakeman, Esq.

Robert G. Wakeman, Esq. - October 03, 2023 at 10:26 AM

AW

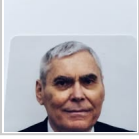
“ So sad to hear of Pete's passing. I hadn't seen him for many years. We were landscape classmates at Cornell. I remember his good nature and sense of humor in studio and the frisbee games on the Ag Quad. May he rest in peace. My deepest condolences to his wife and family. Amy Wildey-McGill

Amy Wildey-McGill - September 30, 2023 at 08:25 PM

JH

“ So sorry for your loss. Cancer really sucks. Now three are gone way too soon. Peter, Ralph Stento and Chuck Cole. There are such great memories from SUNY Cobleskill. Young Peter as he was called..

John Halloran - September 29, 2023 at 06:49 PM



“ My deepest condolences to you all. Peter and I were roommates at the ranch when he started working there. I can't remember what year it was?? Those staff houses were awful, but brought us together with one purpose; to serve the guests at the "Hospitality" resort. Dam cancer! I'm sorry that I won't be able to come to the service due Tony own health issues 🙏  
💔 I will be with you in Spirit. Johnnie



John Garry - September 28, 2023 at 08:26 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Peter M. Conway.



September 28, 2023 at 07:11 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Peter M. Conway.

September 28, 2023 at 07:11 PM

JT

“ Conway Family  
So sorry to hear of Pete's passing. My high school classmate and person I dealt with for a number of years professionally. I always enjoyed running into him socially. He was a great guy. Please know he will be in my prayers. I will be out of state and not able to attend his services.  
Jim Tuffey.

Jim Tuffey - September 28, 2023 at 05:16 PM

KF

“ *My sincere sympathy to the entire Conway family.  
RIP to my Holy Cross and Vincentian Institute schoolmate.*

*Kevin Farley  
Murphy NC*

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**Kevin M. Farley** - September 28, 2023 at 01:58 PM

JV

“ *Our deepest sympathies to Trish and Peter’s lovely family. His tribute page exemplifies what a special person he was. We were blessed to know Peter as part of the Kensington community, and he will be truly missed. Rest In Peace, Peter.....Jean and Al Vanasco*

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**Jean and Al Vanasco** - September 28, 2023 at 10:17 AM

JY

“ *My sincere condolences to Pat and family. RIP Peter*

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**Jim Yanni** - September 27, 2023 at 05:53 PM

BH

“ *Pete was one of the nicest guys I ever met. A true gentleman with many friends and a loving family. I will miss him.  
Bruce Hoffman*

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**Bruce Hoffman** - September 27, 2023 at 04:00 PM

MS

“ *Peter was one of the nicest men I have had the pleasure of knowing. He was always there when you needed a helping hand. It was very sad to learn of his passing. I will never forget all he did for me and our Kensington golf group. He will truly be missed by all of us.*

*Mike Swartz*

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**Michael Swartz** - September 27, 2023 at 02:32 PM

SC

“ *So sorry to hear about Pete. I worked for him at times during my 11 years at CHA, he was wonderful to all of us "Administrative Assistant's". He was a wonderful person. My thoughts and prayers are with his family. Fondly, Suzanne Christopher*

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**Suzanne Christopher** - September 27, 2023 at 02:23 PM

DS

“ My sincere condolences to the Family. I always enjoyed the interaction with Peter while at CHA. Definitely one of the Good Guys!

David Standinger - September 27, 2023 at 01:06 PM

DS

“ Conway Family-  
Please accept my prayers upon the passing of Peter. I knew Peter for years at WRCC and golfed with him on several occasions. I also interacted with Peter regarding business/sports related projects at Siena. He was a fine, upstanding man; honest, pleasant and a wonderful family man. Today I will go the Siena Grotto to light a candle and say a prayer. Pax Et Bonum!  
Dave Smith

david smith - September 27, 2023 at 10:43 AM

BB

“ It was sad to read of Pete's passing. Although I had not seen Pete in many years he will always be remembered as a great VI classmate and an even better friend. Rest in peace Pete. You lived a great life. Brian Burke

Brian Burke - September 27, 2023 at 09:40 AM

JK

“ Bob, I was saddened to read of Peter's passing, but wanted to leave a note to remind you and your family that you can take solace knowing that Peter is now with loved ones who have been waiting for him with open arms. My deepest condolences, Jamie Kallner

Jamie Kallner - September 27, 2023 at 06:25 AM



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