



Brendan Fahy Bequette

June 22, 1996 - February 28, 2022

ALBANY -- Brendan Fahy Bequette, 25, passed away on Feb. 28, 2022 after a 20-month battle with an aggressive, rare mediastinal germ cell cancer.

Brendan was born in Chicago and moved to Albany at one year of age, beginning a lifetime of travel, including his first international trip to Australia at the age of 16 months. He was a 2014 graduate of Albany High School, where he captained his cross-country team, fueled his love of math and science, and at the same time produced multiple videos, including one for his AP Calculus class when he combined number theory (series) and music -- as a parody to the song "Creep" by Radiohead (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pt8ptOYZSLc>).

He attended RPI for one year, running cross-country and majoring in physics and electrical engineering. There he found that his film-making interests outweighed that of science and engineering, so he transferred to Ithaca College to major in Cinema and Photography. At Ithaca, he truly connected his engineering and artistic skills, tying a deep knowledge of technology and equipment with insights about how to best frame a shot or scene.

After graduation in 2018, Brendan followed his cinematography dreams by moving to New York City and traveling to different locations to film a number of projects. Some memorable shoots included filming Kamala Harris for Axios

and Michael Bloomberg political campaign commercials, as well as the Coney Island Hot Dog Eating Contest in 2019. Another of his notable works was his film, *Eire* (2015), accepted into the 17th Annual Chicago Irish Film Festival, as well as his personal photography projects capturing beauty in small details around NYC, Schroon Lake, and more.

Brendan's family is truly grateful for the care he received from his medical teams at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center and Albany Med. The oncology, radiology, nurses and integrative medicine at MSKCC were deeply committed to saving Brendan, spurred on by Brendan's perseverance through eight regimens of chemotherapy, three stem cell transplants, surgery, and numerous radiation treatments.

Brendan is survived by his parents, Patricia Fahy and B. Wayne Bequette, sister Eileen Fahy Bequette, grandmother Ayleen (nee Cammack) Bequette, aunts and uncles Pam (G.W.) Walsh, Jill (Doug) Faires, Kym Bequette, Marian Fahy, Bernadette Fahy (Bob Perlstein), Eileen (Sam) Gurevitz, late Stephen (Barbara) Fahy, William (Mary) Fahy, Richard (Julie) Fahy, and Jacqueline (Christopher) Jones, best friend Musa Kanneh, girlfriend Anna Feng, as well as many Moriarty, Fahy, Cammack, and Bequette cousins. He now joins his beloved late grandparents, W.H. Bequette and Nicholas and Eileen (nee Moriarty) Fahy and godfather, Stephen Fahy. Brendan proudly received his Irish Citizenship in 2019.

Memorial contributions can be made for a scholarship in Brendan's name to the Albany Fund for Education, P.O. Box 3110, Albany, NY 12203.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Brendan's family Friday, March 4, 2022 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm at St. Vincent De Paul Church, 900 Madison Ave., Albany, NY. Please enter the church by either doorway off the parking lot marked Office Entrance or Disability Access Doors. Additional parking to the church lot is available at 923 Madison Ave. and 877-879 Madison Ave.

Funeral services Saturday, March 5, 2022 at 11:00 am at St. Vincent De Paul Church, Albany, NY where his Funeral Mass will be celebrated. The Mass can viewed at [Facebook.com/stvincentalbany/](https://www.facebook.com/stvincentalbany/)

To leave a message for the family please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com

The Rite of Committal will be held at Holy Sepulchre Catholic Cemetery, Chicago, IL Wednesday, March 9, 2022. Brendan will be interred next to his beloved maternal grandparents.

Cemetery Details

Holy Sepulchre Catholic Cemetery

6001 W. 111th Street
Alsip, IL 60803

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 4. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Church of St. Vincent De Paul Church
900 Madison Ave.
Albany, NY 12208

Service

MAR 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

Church of St. Vincent De Paul Church
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Tribute Wall



“ *Brendan Fahy Bequette*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *Dear Bequette Family,
I'm a Director of Photography and a friend of Brendans. I had the pleasure of getting to work with and getting to know him. His was phenomenally competent in his work, but we related on a deeper level than just work. His intelligence, his gentle nature, and his poise moved me. If I encountered a technical problem, he calmly solved it. When he proudly told me he was accepted into IATSE as an AC, I was pleased and proud for him. Brendan made no secret of one of his goals. He was going to be a cinematographer, and I told him outright that he'd be a great DP.*

We connected through our respective battles with cancer.

We stayed in touch after he was diagnosed. As trivial as it may seem, we followed each other in Instagram. Photography was his passion, and I was grateful that he shared his pictures.

I'll sorely miss him.

Please accept deepest condolences,

Eddie Marritz

Eddie Marritz - March 28, 2022 at 06:45 PM



“ *Mark Richardson lit a candle in memory of
Brendan Fahy Bequette*



Mark Richardson - March 10, 2022 at 04:58 PM

AS

“ *Pat and family,
I was heartbroken to have learned of Brendan’s passing. This handsome young man has accomplished more in his short time on earth than most people. He was amazing. My prayer for you all is for you to feel some measure of God’s comfort during this painful journey. Please know I grieve with you and send my love. Amy Sheldon (Zuchelkowski)*

Amy Sheldon - March 08, 2022 at 06:03 AM

JN

“ *Our Sympathy, love, hugs go out to cousins
Patty, Wayne and Eileen.
We are heart broken will miss Bredan. Feel
blessed that he enthusiastically shared his
God given talent the world viewed thru his
eyes. Now he has the Best view in the house.
Condolences Kevin and Joyce Coughlin*



Joyce nowak - March 06, 2022 at 10:54 AM

LI

“ I was lucky to run XC with Brendan at Albany High where he was the team captain.

I remember a pasta party that Brendan hosted the night before a race where we played "Slenderman", a scary computer game and had a ton of laughs.

Brendan was a great filmmaker and I loved watching his movies. He was very generous with his talent too. I remember that he came and filmed a "music festival" that I hosted in my backyard back in 2016.

My heart goes out to Brendan`s family.

With Love,

Livio Fasullo

Livio - March 06, 2022 at 01:09 AM

MC

“ Deepest sympathy to Pat, Wayne , Eileen and extended family on the heart breaking loss of Brendan. Thinking of you all at this very sad time May his gentle soul rest in peace. From Mary Fahy O Connor and family, Galway.

Mary O Connor - March 05, 2022 at 03:03 PM

RK

“ So sorry to hear about the news of Brendan, Thinking of you during this time❤️ From all of us here in Ballindooley/Galway x



Rachel Keady - March 05, 2022 at 12:34 PM

AK

“ Dearest Pat Wayne and Eileen we are so very sorry for the loss of your beloved Brendan may his sweet and gentle soul rest in eternal peace
From Anne Fahy Keady and family Galway
Thinking of you all



anne fahy keady - March 05, 2022 at 12:34 PM

EW

“ Dear Pat,

Our deepest sympathies to you and your family. While words are totally inadequate to capture this unfathomable loss, know that we are thinking of you and sending our thoughts and prayers for your continued strength and perseverance during this incredibly difficult time. Edward Wassermann and Karen Murtagh

Edward H Wassermann - March 05, 2022 at 11:52 AM

BT

“ Pat, Wayne and Eileen, thinking of you all especially today as you share not only your deepest ‘grief’ but a great legacy and spirit that Brendan has given to you forever.
Bernie (Tummon) Galway 🇮🇪 Ireland

Bernie Tummon - March 05, 2022 at 09:36 AM

RW

“ I'm so sorry, can't even imagine what it's like to lose a child, absolutely heartbreaking news. Don't know what to say at a time like this other than you're in the thoughts of your whole Schroon family.

-Ryan W

Ryan W - March 04, 2022 at 10:20 PM

MG

“ *I am sorry to learn of your loss. Please take comfort in how much we are all thinking of you. Take care*
Marjorie Geiger

m. geiger - March 04, 2022 at 09:14 PM

 Cody
McEneny
Ingraham

“ *Dear Pat and Family,*

My heart breaks learning of Brendan's passing. He was so kind and talented. I will always hold onto my memories of hanging out at campaign events during your first run for Assembly. I remember fondly at the reception following your swearing-in ceremony showing Brendan and a couple friends around parts of the Capitol. Such fun! It was awesome sharing an interest in cinematography and seeing him create such meaningful projects. His photography was wonderful and his talents have certainly made a positive impact on everyone he encountered. His memory is a blessing.



Our family sends hugs, thoughts, and prayers to you. We are so deeply sorry for your loss.

Cody McEneny Ingraham and the McEneny~Ingraham family

Cody McEneny Ingraham - March 04, 2022 at 08:01 PM

PS

“ Dear Pat and family:

Your son is truly amazing in all that he has accomplished. I remember many years ago when we were walking in Guilderland, you shared that he wanted to pursue a career cinematography. He was still in high school at that time. I am truly sorry for your loss and sending condolences and prayers.

*Sincerely,
Pat Slavick*

Pat Slavick - March 04, 2022 at 06:25 PM

RR

“ Rebecca Rasmussen lit a candle in memory of Brendan Fahy Bequette



Rebecca Rasmussen - March 04, 2022 at 02:51 PM

DG

“ Dear Pat, Wayne and your entire family,
There are few words of comfort to offer when a smart and talented young man with so much to offer loses his life so young. May the memories of the shared fun and the excitement of his many successes stay with you and sustain you at this impossibly difficult time. His generosity of spirit was clearly a reflection of the love and support you gave him throughout his life. May his memory be for a blessing forever. Deborah Glick

Deborah Glick - March 04, 2022 at 12:11 PM

JG

“ Dear Pat, Wayne & Eileen,
Our hearts are with you, offering our deepest sympathy on
Brendan's passing. He certainly sounds like he was a remarkable
young man who made a difference in our world. Wishing you peace
and the comfort of your beautiful, loving memories.
Warmest regards,
Jill Goodman & Artie Malkin

Jill Goodman - March 04, 2022 at 09:40 AM

DC

“ Dear Patricia, Eileen, and Wayne,
I happily remember teaching Brendan Art at School 19 Elementary /
NSES in Albany. Brendan was such a sweet boy. Always willing to
help others while creating such beautiful artwork of his own. Even at
such a young age, he was kind, calm, and intuitive. It was such a joy
to teach him and I wish a world of peace to you and your family.
Sincerely, Mrs. Debbie Cronin

Deborah Cronin - March 04, 2022 at 08:32 AM

TA

“ Dear Pat, Wayne and Eileen,
Our heartfelt condolences for Brendan's passing. We are fortunate
that our children can lead rich and rewarding lives even though they
end prematurely. You are in our thoughts,

George Benson, Michele Atallah, Tarek AtallahBenson, Leila
AtallahBenson

The AtallahBensons - March 04, 2022 at 06:42 AM

ME

“ Dear Pat,
So very sorry to learn about your son's battle with cancer. He sounds as if he inherited your feistiness. May you find comfort in the memories of his life filled with curiosity, achievement and cherished friends.

Marla Eglowstein - March 04, 2022 at 01:05 AM

CT

“ Pat, Wayne and Eileen and family,
I am so sorry for your loss. My heart aches for all of you. You are in my thoughts and sending my condolences.

CeCe Tkaczyk

Cecilia Tkaczyk - March 03, 2022 at 06:40 PM

KS

“ Dear Pat, Wayne and Eileen,
We are so sorry for your loss. We remember Brendan from back in the Pine Hills Montessori days, and we're thinking of you and sending love and deepest sympathy from our family to yours.

Karen Scharff and Jim Coe

Karen Scharff - March 03, 2022 at 02:13 PM

RS

“ Brendan was a very special and smart young man! My entire women's committee loved the video he produced for Women's History Month. Our love to each member of his family and his special Mom, Pat! Love, Rebecca



Rebecca Seawright - March 03, 2022 at 12:58 PM

SB

“ I am so sorry. We are thinking about you in this sad time. Sue and Chris Brunner

Susan Brunner - March 03, 2022 at 11:41 AM

KE

“ I didn't know Brendan, but his obituary was so touching. I feel like the world has lost an amazing person. May I offer my very deepest sympathy at such a difficult time.



Kelley - March 03, 2022 at 10:02 AM

ML

“ With his family and friends, we mourn Brendan's passing, and we mourn the loss to the larger community of his creative energies and artistic sensibilities. We will remember Brendan for the times when he “danced up and down the street” (reflecting the reference to his Irish writer namesake Brendan Behan in a song about Irish immigrants to the US).

Martha and Leo Levy - March 03, 2022 at 09:19 AM

GL

“ From our family to yours, deepest condolences. We offer our prayers of support during this time.

Gary Lipinski
Mary Kilmer

Gary Lipinski - March 03, 2022 at 09:13 AM

GS

“ Oh no! I am at a loss for words. Pat and family, I know by talking with Pat, all of the pride and support you gave Brendan. Raising a child is not easy and you walked next to him, letting him craft his own way and explore the world. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. May his memory be a blessing.

Gail Sacco - March 03, 2022 at 09:00 AM

PR

“ Paul Rockenstyre lit a candle in memory of Brendan Fahy Bequette



Paul Rockenstyre - March 03, 2022 at 08:25 AM

PR

“ Pat, Wayne, and Eileen,

We are so sorry to learn of Brendan's passing. We have wonderful memories of Brendan and Eileen at the lake.

Our thoughts and prayers are with during this difficult time.

Doreen and Paul Rockenstyre

Paul Rockenstyre - March 03, 2022 at 08:24 AM

DD

“ Dale Dosz lit a candle in memory of Brendan Fahy Bequette



Dale Dosz - March 03, 2022 at 05:26 AM

AB

“ Abi sent a virtual gift in memory of Brendan Fahy Bequette



Abi - March 02, 2022 at 10:33 PM

AB

“ RIP Dear Brendan, definitely a VIP. One in a million.



Abi - March 02, 2022 at 10:32 PM

DO

“ We are so sorry for your loss. What a vibrant life Brendan lived.
-Daniel and Sheena O'Connell

Dan O'Connell - March 02, 2022 at 05:44 PM

SF

“ So very sad to hear about Brendan passing he really did fight the good fight.... When last in Ireland with his family Patty, Wayne and Eileen he was already growing into a beautiful young man pursuing his great love of all things photography and film
We had lots of fun on that trip and have loving and lasting memories which we will keep close to our hearts ❤️
He is now at peace and reunited with his family who have gone before him May his gentle Soul Rest in Peace
Lots of love 💕
Sally Fahy

sally Fahy - March 02, 2022 at 12:58 PM