



Christopher John Madden

August 26, 1955 - June 11, 2026

ALBANY – Christopher John Madden, 70, died peacefully on June 11, 2026, the 40-year anniversary of his father’s passing. He was surrounded by those he loved most, his wife of 41 years, Carleen, and his three daughters, Katharine, Elizabeth and Sarah.

A New Hartford native, born August 26, 1955, Chris was predeceased by his devoted parents Jerome K. and Joan Frank Madden and was the first of their five children. Everyone was always welcome at the infamous Madden house on Genesee Street, where Chris was raised and where his father, Jerome, had grown up before him – a home that remained a gathering place for family and friends for generations. He attended St. John the Evangelist Elementary School and graduated from New Hartford High School in 1973. In true Madden tradition, Chris was an exceptional athlete and played football, basketball and baseball in high school. Chris loved to win. He also loved the camaraderie of sports and continued many of his friendships with his teammates and coaches throughout his entire life.

Chris went on to Siena College to play basketball and get his Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting. He was co-captain of the basketball team for Siena’s very first season competing at the NCAA Division 1 level. This year will be the 50th Anniversary of Division 1 Basketball at Siena. To Chris, Siena was more than a college – the friendships and opportunities that

began there laid the foundation for the life and family he went on to build.

After Chris graduated from Siena in 1977, he had a 40-year executive career at Callanan Industries and Oldcastle Materials Group. While Chris had a relentless work ethic, discipline and respect that helped him excel in everything he did, he credits most of his success at Callanan and Oldcastle to the outstanding employees he was able to lead.

Chris' positive attitude and enthusiasm for life gave him a presence which made people want to be around him. He had a natural ability to connect with others and create meaningful, lifelong friendships and memories. He often brought people together from many different parts of his life through his passion for golf...always in search of majors. Nothing brought him greater pride or fulfillment than his family. Chris and his family enjoyed many incredible trips together - skiing out West, weekend sports trips, several trips abroad, and countless family trips to Florida. His enduring love, generosity, and commitment to those closest to him will be profoundly missed and remembered always.

He will be greatly missed by his four siblings Jerome (Susan), Andrew (Cynthia), Kathleen (Steven) and Stephen, his nieces and nephews, and his many lifelong friends, all of whom he genuinely cherished.

The family would like to express their gratitude to Dr. Raval, Dr. Soiffer, Dr. DeAngelo, the entire staff at Albany Medical Center and New York Oncology Hematology, and the staff at Dana-Farber who provided Chris with excellent care and compassion.

The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at Siena University on Friday, June 19. Beginning at 10:00 am, people are welcome to join Chris' family at the Grotto on campus for the Reception of the Body and to light a candle. All are then invited to join the procession walking to the Maloney Great Room in

the Sarazen Student Union for the celebration of the Mass of the Resurrection. Those who are unable to join the procession may gather in the Sarazen Student Union at 10:15 am.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to either Wicklund Warriors or Dr. Soiffer's Research Fund at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in honor of Chris. Wicklund Warriors is a charity that serves families battling blood cancers and facing financial difficulty in the Capital Region. Gifts may be made, indicating that they are in honor of Chris, at: Wicklund Warriors P.O. Box 11152 Loudonville, NY 12211; Dana-Farber Cancer Institute P.O. Box 849168 Boston, MA 02284 or via dana-farber.org/gift

Upcoming Events

Funeral Mass

JUN **19**. 10:15 AM (ET)

Siena College Grotto
515 Loudon Road
Loudonville, NY 12211