



## John "Bud" Connery

November 26, 1940 - December 21, 2021

Schenectady-On the darkest day of the year the world got a little darker and the deer and trout of the Adirondack region all breathed a little easier with the unexpected passing of John "Bud" Connery. John was born and raised in Troy, NY and left to serve as a Seabee in the US Navy, a service he was always proud of. While in the Navy he met Helen, his wife of 57 years in Rensselaer, NY. John left the service to work for the New York State Department of Transportation until retirement, and then found a job he loved as a labor representative at the Public Employees Federation, where he happily worked until he retired a second time. An avid fisherman and in theory a hunter of deer (but more truly a fan of drinking beer and sleeping in a cabin), John was a man of uncommon moral conviction which earned him the ire of some, but the love of many. There was no fiercer friend, no better ally, and no better father. He was a protector and teacher to his children, Lorraine Ann, Mary Kathleen, and Sean Michael – did I mention he was proud of his Irish roots and a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians? He was often seen there massaging a song on either a concertina or a harmonica. His repertoire of songs, jokes – and dirty limericks – was the envy of many. He is survived by his entire immediate family, making this possibly the only time that he was the first to leave a party. His company will be sorely missed by all that knew him. In lieu of flowers, the family ask that you please donate to the Jimmy fund at the Dana Farber Cancer Institute in memory of Johns friends and family that have lost their battles with cancer.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Bud's family Monday, December 27, 2021 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm at the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany, NY 12206. Masks are required for everyone. Please only enter the funeral home from the rear parking lot entrance.

To leave a message for the family please visit [www.McveighFuneralHome.com](http://www.McveighFuneralHome.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 27. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of John "Bud" Connery*



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**McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.** - December 26, 2021 at 12:57 PM

SC

*Is there a way to download this?*

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**sean connery** - December 30, 2021 at 11:35 AM



“ *John "Bud" Connery*

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October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM

TC

“ *Connery family and friends please share my condolences.*

*Allow me to begin with "Bud" never knew this "Bud" but knew John. He entered my life as my replacement in Utica NY; for the Public Employees Federation (PEF). I was upset that he was a former management scum representative from NYS DOT. I was very misguided (as you know) he turned out to be one of the greatest teacher, mentor, and peers I ever had the pleasure to know. He taught me more about labor relations in our time together than anyone since. John additionally explained to me that there was no judgement/ wrong doing to fish any body of water on NYS Route 5 between our Field Office to our Headquarters wearing a business suit using a Popeel pocket fisherman.*

*John was a man who lite up my path and made me a better human being. And finally, you all now about his wit/humor... like trying to explain to me (a non irishman) the virtue of how Mead would be good for my soul.*

*John will always be in my heart and prayers.  
Rest easy my Brother.*

*Tom Capone*

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**Tom Capone** - December 28, 2021 at 03:03 PM

PC

“ *My condolences to the Connery family. Although I didn't know John well he was a very good friend to my brother Dan Moffett. The heavens must be full of fun Irishman these days!*  
*Patricia Moffett Chakas*

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**Patricia Chakas** - December 27, 2021 at 07:41 AM

“ 50 files added to the album Life Tributes



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - December 26, 2021 at 12:07 PM

MA

“ John was a great neighbor to my parents for many years, especially my mother as she aged. What a good man he was. Was always comforting seeing him working out in the yard and saying "hello". Rest in peace John.

Mark Audino - December 26, 2021 at 11:52 AM

JE

“ Fair Winds and Following Seas Brother Seabee

Jim Evans - December 25, 2021 at 06:56 PM

KG

“ To Lorraine and family. My condolences on the loss of Mr. Connery. May your wonderful memories comfort you always.

Love, Kathleen Gogan.

Kathleen Gogan-Nally - December 25, 2021 at 01:25 PM

JL

“ John was a 20-Year Member of the American Legion and will certainly be missed at the Monthly gathering of "Dirt-Sailors" !!!

*Lippy Lepine, American Legion Post-1450, Halfmoon*

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**john lepine** - December 25, 2021 at 10:53 AM

MH

“ I know Bud is now fishing and singing with Patrick and Eric up in heaven. They had such great times going fishing in the Adirondacks and signing around the campfire. I have so many great memories of time spent with Bud, a lifetime of memories going back 55 years! I wish I could be with you and the family during this difficult time. My prayers are with you all. Love, Midge

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**Midge Halse** - December 24, 2021 at 12:39 PM