



John "Jay" J. Quackenbush Jr.

August 29, 1949 - March 5, 2026

Latham- John "Jay" J. Quackenbush, Jr., 76, entered Eternal Life, Thursday, March 5, 2026 at Samaritan Hospital surrounded by his family. Jay was born and raised in North Albany with a family of five children to the late John J. and Marion Kinley Quackenbush.

At a young age Jay worked alongside his dad as a draftsman with Lux & Quackenbush. Jay then went on as a licensed Architect for over forty years in New York State. Jay finished his career as a Court Facilities Architect for Albany County, retiring in 2014.

He was a supporting loving husband to his wife Judy, cherished and loving father to his children and was enamored with his five grandchildren who meant the world to him.

Jay is survived by his wife of 53 years Judith Pawlows Quackenbush; children John Quackenbush (Allyson), Kelly Cochran (Dan) and Daniel Quackenbush; grandchildren Zoe, Mason, Penelope and Bree Cochran and Mary Quackenbush; brother of Frank (Kathy), William "Billy" (Ellen) Quackenbush and Jill Ryan (Terry); also survived by several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parent's, he was predeceased by his sister Gail Q. Harris.

Jay enjoyed golfing and socializing with friends and family at Wolfert's Roost. Jay also liked to travel all over the world especially in countries where his children and grandchildren were stationed by the Navy; Japan, Germany and Bahran. He also liked to go to his homeland roots of Ireland for golf and leisure.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Jay's family, Monday, March 9, 2026 at McVeigh Funeral Home 208 N. Allen St., Albany, NY 12206 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Please enter the funeral home from the rear parking lot entrance only.

Funeral Services will be held Tuesday, March 10, 2026 at St. Ambrose Church, 347 Old Loudon Rd, Latham, NY 12110 at 10:30 am where his funeral Mass will be celebrated.

The Rite of Committal will be held in St. Agnes Cemetery, Menands, NY immediately following the Mass.

Donations may be made in Jay's Memory to St. Jude's Children Research Hospital P.O. Box 1999, Memphis, TN 38101.

To leave a message for the family or view other helpful services please visit www.mcveighfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Agnes Cemetery

48 Cemetery Ave
Menands, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **9**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.
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Funeral Mass

MAR **10**. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Ambrose Church
347 Old Loudon Road
Latham, NY

Tribute Wall



“ McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of John "Jay" J. Quackenbush Jr.



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - March 07 at 02:36 PM

BS

*Judy & family...
So sorry for your loss. Our sincere sympathy to all of you!! May Jay rest in peace!
Barb & Jim Sherman*

Barbara Sherman - March 17 at 05:58 PM

BS

Our condolences!

Barbara Sherman - March 17 at 05:59 PM

JM

“ Jay and I were very good friends back in our days at Vincentian Institute and Cal's tavern. Many happy memories indeed. And I also remember that at anytime very late in the night he could call his dad for a ride home. When Mr. Quackenbush showed up he would always offer to any available friend of Jay's a much appreciated ride as well ! A awfully nice family. May God Bless and keep the John Q's in His hand. Unfortunately I am in Florida and missed Jay's service.

John McGuirk - March 19 at 01:21 PM

TF

“ *The Cain Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of John "Jay" J. Quackenbush Jr..*



The Cain Family - March 09 at 12:10 PM

DT

“ *Debbie Trombly planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John "Jay" J. Quackenbush Jr..*

Debbie Trombly - March 09 at 10:32 AM

DT

“ *Debbie Trombly purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of John "Jay" J. Quackenbush Jr..*



Debbie Trombly - March 09 at 10:32 AM

AK

“ *Andy and Jeri Kissner planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John "Jay" J. Quackenbush Jr..*

Andy and Jeri Kissner - March 08 at 10:01 PM

AK

“ Andy and Jeri Kissner purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John "Jay" J. Quackenbush Jr..



Andy and Jeri Kissner - March 08 at 10:01 PM

KK

“ Judy and Family - We are very sorry to hear of Jay/your dad's passing. He was a very nice person, the best neighbor and friend for 36 years. You are all in our prayers. May God bless all of you during this time. He will be missed by all.
Love, Tim, Theresa, Meighan and Katherine McGan

Katherine (McGan) King - March 08 at 04:14 PM

JP

“ Judy and family, so sorry to hear of your loss. John and Marykay Pawlows

john pawlows - March 08 at 12:00 PM

SD

“ Sara and Danielle planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John "Jay" J. Quackenbush Jr..

Sara and Danielle - March 08 at 10:59 AM

SD

“ Sara and Danielle purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of John "Jay" J. Quackenbush Jr..



Sara and Danielle - March 08 at 10:59 AM

JM

“ I will always remember Jay's support as a parent and his amazing sense of humor. His lovely wife Judy always spoke so lovingly about him many years ago when we taught Kindergarten at Latham Ridge. Prayers for Jay and his wonderful family.

Julie (Stumbaugh) Marion - March 08 at 09:59 AM

WZ

“ Dear John, Quackenbush, and Cochran families. My sincerest condolences. Mr. Q was a great man....many great memories. RIP Mr. Q. Billy Ziegler

William Ziegler - March 08 at 04:07 AM

JF

“ Joan, Frank, Mark, Lori and families purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of John "Jay" J. Quackenbush Jr..



Joan, Frank, Mark, Lori and families - March 07 at 02:47 PM

RH

“ Rob H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John "Jay" J. Quackenbush Jr..

Rob H. - March 07 at 09:59 AM

RH

“ Rob H. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John "Jay" J. Quackenbush Jr..



Rob H. - March 07 at 09:59 AM

RQ

“ Ryan & Jess Quackenbush purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of John "Jay" J. Quackenbush Jr..



Ryan & Jess Quackenbush - March 07 at 08:59 AM

CB

“ Judy, my deepest condolences to you and your family. I have special memories of you both.
Christina Bodner (Crandall)

Christina R Bodner - March 07 at 08:16 AM

MB

“ My heart breaks to learn about Jay’s passing! He was like a second dad to me for much of my life! I will always cherish the memories I have of him. My deepest condolences to my other mom, Kelly, John, Daniel and all of Jay’s other family members. The world lost an incredible man.

Marisa Beeble - March 06 at 11:15 PM

MB

*Dear Judy,
I am so sorry to hear of your husband’s passing. My deepest sympathy to you and your family.
Mary Ann Borlawsky
(From Judy’s exercise class)*

Mary Ann Borlawsky - March 07 at 06:34 PM

RF

“ Ryan Menzel and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John "Jay" J. Quackenbush Jr..

Ryan Menzel and family - March 06 at 10:31 PM

RF

“ Ryan Menzel and family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of John "Jay" J. Quackenbush Jr..



Ryan Menzel and family - March 06 at 10:31 PM