



Kenneth James Toomey

November 16, 1941 - September 7, 2019

Albany - Kenneth J. Toomey, 77, passed away on September 7, 2019 at St. Peter's Nursing and Rehabilitation Center after a seven year battle with Parkinson's disease.

Born in Albany on November 16, 1941, he was the son of the late William and Marion Toomey. Ken was the beloved husband of Carol Campbell Toomey for 54 years; a much loved Dad to Kevin (Kelly) Toomey of Berne, NY; Lisa Silipo of Albany, NY, Dan Toomey of Saratoga and Karen (Mike) Chenel of Voorheesville. Ken was "Grampy" to Cailyn and Quinn Toomey, Andrew and Olivia Silipo and Michael and Campbell Chenel. He is also survived by his sister Marion (Toomey)Jaquinto, brother Bill (Joanne) Toomey and sister Ann (Ray) Dwyer of Texas.

Ken was predeceased by his brother-in-law Frank Jaquinto, his nieces Kathleen Jaquinto Gilligan and Mary Beth Toomey Dunne.

Ken is also survived by his sister-in-laws Pat Campbell of Southport, CT., (Ed deceased), Connie & Bob Hurley of Peak's Island, Maine, Eleanor Campbell of Saratoga (Pete deceased), and his brother-in-law Bob Campbell of Loudonville (Janet deceased).

Ken is also survived by 33 nieces and nephews, several grandnieces and

nephews, and one great grand niece and great grand nephews. He was predeceased by his niece Joan Grady.

Ken was a graduate of St. Theresa of Avila, Albany, Christian Brothers Academy, Albany, Siena College and Albany Law School.

Ken and Carol were married just before Ken began his senior year at Albany Law School. While Ken was at Siena College he was part of the R.O.T.C. After graduation from Albany Law School, Ken and Carol spent two years at Fort. Sill, Oklahoma where their first child Kevin was born.

Upon returning to Albany, Ken began his career with New York State at first with the Department of Social Services, and then, subsequently, with the State Education and Public Employment Relations Board (PERB). He retired from PERB as Assistant Director, Public Employment Practices & Representation. After his retirement, he started his own arbitration practice with Carol as his secretary, who had a very hard time deciphering his writing.

Ken loved the fifteen years that he and his family spent at the Trout Lake Club for their summer vacation. Ken also loved the game of golf and enjoyed his years at Tall Timbers Country Club and Pinehaven Country Club. He was very proud of the 3 holes-in-ones he achieved during his golfing career.

Ken was a parishioner of Mater Christi Parish (formerly St. Catherine of Siena) for 44 years. He worked on the bazaar for many years, was on the Parish Council, and served as an usher and counter. He helped start the St. Catherine's Girls Softball League and was a coach for several years. While President of the Men's Association, he would organize a bus trip for a baseball game. The only field the bus would go to was Fenway Park to see his beloved Red Sox play.

Ken and Carol traveled to Canada, Ireland, England, Mexico, Bermuda, Nassau and 19 states during their marriage. While in San Francisco, they danced down the Lombard Street stairs (carefully).

A very special thank you to Dr. Richard Lavigne and his angel Colleen, Dr. Michael Martinelli, Dr. Jennifer Durphy and his very caring aide at home, Gayle Banks. A very special thank you to the entire staff of St. Peter's Nursing and Rehabilitation Center for their wonderful and loving care of Ken.

Those who wish to make a memorial contribution in Ken's name may do so to CBA Scholarship Fund, 12 Airline Dr., Albany, NY 12205 or Hope Soars for Parkinson's Research, Albany Medical Center Foundation, Office of Development, 43 New Scotland Ave. MC-119, Albany, NY 12208.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Ken's family Thursday, September 12, 2019 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany, N.Y. 12206.

Funeral services Friday, September 13 at 10:00 am at the Parish of Mater Christi, Albany where his Funeral Mass will be celebrated.

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

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

Cemetery Details

St. Agnes Cemetery

48 Cemetery Ave
Menands, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **12**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.
208 N Allen St
Albany, NY 12206
(518) 489-0188
info@mcveighfuneralhome.com
<http://www.McveighFuneralHome.com>

Service

SEP **13**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Parish of Mater Christi
40 Hopewell Street (Rev. Kenneth J. Doyle Way)
Albany, NY 12208

Tribute Wall



“ *Kenneth James Toomey*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *Carol and family, Ken will be missed at Swiftly's. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this most difficult time.
Maureen and Rick Nash, CBA '59*

Rick Nash - September 19, 2019 at 05:55 PM



“ *Kevin and Lisa,
Three cheers for the distinguished gentleman and scholar from the great St. Catherine of Siena / Mater Chriti Parish. It was an honor knowing your Dad. We shared many laughs and good times together when I young and a classmate of Kevin. Celebrate his life and embrace the great memories dear to your heart. He is in heaven now. My thoughts and prayers are with your family now. Farewell to a great man! All the love...*

Eddie Schultz and the Schultz Family - September 13, 2019 at 06:18 PM



“ *Toomey/Campbell family
So sorry to read of Ken's death although i know in some ways its a relief. I'm thinking of you all.
Hugs
Gayle Faughnan*

gayle faughnan - September 13, 2019 at 08:20 AM

MC

“ *Very sorry about your loss of Ken. I knew him for years at Mater Christi parish. He was a great guy and we shared many laughs. All of you are in my prayers. Mike Coffey*

Mike Coffey - September 12, 2019 at 06:20 PM

MB

“ *On behalf of the Parkinson's community we mourn the loss of our fallen warrior and brother. A true fighter, we will miss him so very much.*

Mark Burek - September 12, 2019 at 07:49 AM

GS

“ *Ken Toomey----FUN GUY,GREAT COMPETITOR, CLASS ACT, A REAL GENTLEMEN-----YOU WILL BE MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW YOU----GOD BLESS----GREG SPENCER*

GREGORY F SPENCER - September 12, 2019 at 06:13 AM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Kenneth James Toomey.*



September 11, 2019 at 10:03 PM

MW

“ Carol,
Sue and I are very saddened at Ken's passing and so very sorry that we can't be there to pay our respects in person to you as well as honor my fallen Brother Ken.
You, your family and Ken are in our prayers.
From California,
Mike White

Mike White - September 11, 2019 at 03:49 PM

PS

“ Carol and family.

Betsy and I send our condolences to you on this sad occasion.

We always were delighted to converse with Ken when we visited my mom. CBA football always came up as he would explain the shortcomings of VI. We had many laughs.

He was a fine man and well respected lawyer, but his smile grew broadest when he spoke of you and your children.

We will keep him and each of you in our prayers.

Paul Sullivan

Paul Sullivan - September 11, 2019 at 10:55 AM

RB

“ Dear Carol and family; We were saddened to hear of Ken's passing. We remember happy times at St. Catherine's and wish you God's grace to bear this loss. Fondly, Rose Mary and Steve Bailly

Rose Mary Bailly - September 11, 2019 at 08:25 AM

MG

“ Carol and Family,
Mark and I were saddened to hear of Ken’s
passing. We were neighbors on Colonial Ave
for over 25 years. He was avid walker and we
attended Fighting Parkinson’s boxing at Schott’s
Gym together . Our deepest sympathy to you
and your family.

Regards,
Mary and Mark Goldfarb

Mary C Goldfarb - September 11, 2019 at 06:07 AM

KB

“ Mr. Toomey was like a second father to me growing up...he was
truly a great man. Warm, kind, strong and welcoming. I am sure that
he and my dad, Ky are sharing stories of the good old days on
Colonial Ave in heaven with a cold drink.

Mrs. Toomey, (Crazy Carol ;) Kevin, Lisa, Dan and Karen...I am so
sorry for your loss.

I will keep all of you in my thoughts and prayers.

Kristin Barnes - September 10, 2019 at 08:34 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for
the family of Kenneth James Toomey.



September 10, 2019 at 12:03 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Kenneth James Toomey.*



September 10, 2019 at 11:44 AM



“ *Kenny and I were neighbors growing up on Pinewood Ave. Many years later we connected again at Pinehaven Country Club. For those wanting to know, Ken was a heck of a good golfer. More importantly he was a good person, always a gentleman. I'm sure he will be dearly missed by his family and friends. My sincere condolences on your loss.*

Steve Jackson

Steve Jackson - September 10, 2019 at 08:56 AM



“ *What a wonderful man who was very wise in his selection of his bride. They made a glorious couple and it never was more apparent than the devotion and care that Carol and her family gave to Ken during this long siege. She lovingly became his caregiver without ever complaining. It was all about “ the love”.*

Jean Mosher

jean mosher - September 10, 2019 at 07:35 AM

JS

Carol, I am so sorry to hear about Ken's passing though I know he struggled so much. And I'm sure his struggle was magnified in your own and in your family's. I may not be able to be with you in person because I fell and have a mild concussion and frontal skull fracture but please know that you will be in my prayers. Having lost my Wrenn 13 yrs. ago this Saturday, I can truly say I understand. Love you much!
Joan

Joan Sherwood - September 11, 2019 at 06:15 PM