



Mr. Thomas F. Conry

December 26, 1941 - May 28, 2012

Thomas F. Conry, 70, of Pittsfield, MA died at home Monday, May 28, surrounded by his family.

Born December 26, 1941 in Pittsfield, son of Thomas J. and Elizabeth W. Conry, he attended local schools, graduating from Pittsfield High School in 1959 and Boston College in 1963. He served two years in the United States Army (1st Cavalry Division) including a one year tour of duty in Korea.

Tom joined the Bradford West Company in 1966. In 1982 he purchased the company, a sales agency selling to and servicing the pulp and paper industry throughout New England and New York State. He was a longtime member of the regional and national Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry (TAPPI) and the Paper Industry Management Association (PIMA) organizations, serving in office positions, including that of chairman.

His interests included travel, hiking, biking, and kayaking (member of Berkshire Knapsackers), gardening (his gardens were a part of the 2000 tour of Concealed City Gardens – Pittsfield's Hidden Heart), local sports (a sponsor and coach in the Paul Brindle Baseball League and coach of local youth basketball), and Formula One and Sports car racing. He was an avid reader. His joy was in spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

Mr. Conry leaves his wife, the former Kathleen O'Brien, whom he married in 1968 at Our Lady of the Incarnation Church in North Adams, MA; two sons Liam and Matthew B. Conry of Pittsfield; one daughter, Bridget Q. Conry also of Pittsfield; three grandchildren – Emmanuella and Ysabella Vighi, and Benjamin Conry.

He is also survived by a brother, James M. Conry of Westford, MA; a sister Kathleen Grieve of Arlington, TX and many beloved nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a brother, Brian M. Conry.

Funeral Notice:

Funeral services for Mr. Thomas F. Conry will be Friday June 1, 2012 at 9 am from the Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North St., Pittsfield MA, with a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 10 am at St. Mark's Church, celebrated by Rev. John Salatino, pastor. A private burial will be at St. Joseph's Cemetery at the convenience of the family. Calling hours at the funeral home will be Thursday May 31, 2012 from 4 to 7 pm.

Tribute Wall

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“ Hi Kath, Liam, Matt and Bridget.

Our prayers go out to you all over the loss of Uncle Tom. I remember when we were younger maybe 8-10yrs old always being afraid of what Uncle Tom would do to us when we were misbehaving. We were all so afraid of the "Triple Monkey Bite" that we were doomed for if we got caught when we were up to no good. Until the day I got caught. I remember I was walked upstairs at our house in Westford on Blue Ridge Rd when you all were visiting. I was so scared. I threw a toy at Jay's head and he walked into to room at the moment it left my hand. So upstairs we went to recived my "Triple Monkey Bite" . To my surprise and delight when we got there he said "Now listen here. here's what we need to do." "I'm gonna say Here We go real loud" "And you need to screem as loud as you can" I was relieved and now as a parent realize what a softie Tom was. He loved his family and we loved coming out for visits. Love you guys.

Ali and Nick

Ali Fitzpatrick - May 31, 2012 at 09:50 AM

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“ Dear Aunt Kathy, Liam, Matt and Bridget,

We are sending you lots of love and hugs.

Casey and I will never forget our “short” bike ride with Uncle Tom. As we headed out of your driveway, I looked ahead at Tom, grabbed Casey and said, “We are in so much trouble! Look at how huge his calves are and we aren’t even near the bike rail trail! Where is he taking us?” Forty miles later, we made it to Brian’s house. Uncle Tom was barely sweating and I most certainly had heat stroke. We never did get that, “I survived a bike trip with Uncle Tom” t-shirt. I’m sure you guys have closets full of them.

We love you!

Casey, Christina, Cayden and Caiomhe

Christina Conry - May 30, 2012 at 09:05 AM