



Peter Leahy

August 4, 1936 - August 12, 2024

Peter Leahy, a man of faith and integrity, passed into the hands of God at home on August 12th, 2024 after a long illness. He was 88 and passed with loving family surrounding him. Pete is survived by his devoted wife Carol, his children Lisa Wiemert, Laura Molnar (David) and Kevin Leahy (Laurie); also mourning is his sister Mary Lee DeBisschop. Born in Fair Haven, CT to Vera and Christopher Leahy on 8/4/1936, Pete attended St. Francis School, St. Mary's High School and Southern Connecticut State University (SCSU). He excelled at sports in high school and played three years of football at SCSU; some of his career achievements include being named the MVP of the 1955 New Haven Park Recreations Football League and being elected to the New Haven Grid Iron Hall of Fame in 1991. He played golf his entire life, having played mostly at Southington Country Club, but also across the United States and in Ireland and Scotland.

After graduating SCSU, he became a teacher at Eli Whitney Technical School and in 1959, he married Patricia Lyons. Together, they travelled, engaged in sports and created lasting family traditions enjoyed by all. They were married for 54 years until Patricia's death in 2013 and were blessed with 10 grandchildren. They are Kara Venus (Matt), Katy Bouchard (Tyler), Kristin Wiemert, Nicholas and Delaney Molnar, Molly Debacher (Brian), Connor Leahy (Sam) and Ryan, John and Paul Leahy, and great grandchildren Harper Venus and Adelaide Bouchard. All have special memories of "Poppy." Pete transferred to Platt Tech in 1982 where he ultimately became Director before

retiring in 1992. Since then, Pete spent 28 years as Volunteer Chairperson of the Development Committee at St. Francis and edited the school's periodicals each year for alumni. For 25 years he organized and ran a golf tournament which benefitted St Francis School. For all his community work, he received the Catholic School Volunteer of the Year award in 2001. Pete and Carol Cassidy Murphy, both classmates of the St. Mary's High School Class of 1954, reunited in 2014 and married later that year at the age of 78. They had 10 wonderful years together. Carol brought to the marriage 5 children, 12 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren. Pete is loved and will be mourned by all on all sides of his family. Pete was faithful to his God, his family, his lifelong friends, his beginnings, and of course, GOLF. Well done, good and faithful servant. A special thanks to Smilow 7N nurses, aides and staff especially Errin who skillfully and lovingly treated him.

There will be a Mass of Christian Burial for Pete on Monday August 19th at St Francis Church (397 Ferry St, New Haven, CT) at 10:30am. Friends are asked to go directly to church. Burial in All Saints Cemetery Calling hours will be held at Sisk Brothers Funeral Home 3105 Whitney Avenue Hamden on Sunday from 3-6pm. In lieu of flowers, donations made in Pete's memory to All Saints Academy (formerly St Francis School) at 423 Ferry St, New Haven, CT 06513 will be greatly appreciated. To leave an online condolence please visit www.siskbrothers.com

Cemetery Details

All Saints Cemetery

700 Middletown Ave.
North Haven, CT

Previous Events

Calling hours

AUG 18. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Sisk Brothers Funeral Home
3105 Whitney Ave.
Hamden, CT 06518
(203) 288-7114
siskfuneral@sbcglobal.net

Mass of Christian Burial

AUG 19. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Francis Church
397 Ferry St.
New Haven, CT

Tribute Wall

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“ Our heartfelt condolences to out to Pete's family. He and his lovely wife, Carol, were good friends of ours. He was always delightful company, ever positive and uplifting, never boastful despite all of his accomplishments in life. He would politely smile when I told him of my score on the golf course! It gives us peace to know that he is now in the arms of the Lord whom he loved.

- Eldo and Pat Maschio

Eldo and Pat Maschio - August 16, 2024 at 12:04 PM

DG

“ Our heartfelt prayers and condolences to the entire Leahy family on Pete's transition. His legacy is a beautiful gift, a wonderful family. May he rest in eternal peace...

*Much Love,
Deb & Paul Francis*

Deborah Glassford - August 15, 2024 at 06:42 PM

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“ Pete was my gym teacher at Eli Whitney Tech (class of 1964). I must admit I was not one of his better students . Spent many hours after school shagging golf balls for him on the soccer field. Sending my condolences to the entire Leahey family:

Lou Mascola

Lou Mascola - August 15, 2024 at 11:55 AM

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“ We send our deepest condolences to Pete’s family. Pete was our high school gym teacher and Al’s basketball coach at Eli Whitney from 1959 -1964. We both have many memories of those years. Rest in Peace.
Annette and Al (Butch) Milone.

Annette and Al Milone - August 14, 2024 at 05:53 PM