



Richard G McKnight

June 16, 1958 - September 15, 2016

Richard McKnight, 30-year resident of Tinton Falls, NJ, died September 15, 2016 at the age of 58.

Richard was born in Greenpoint, Brooklyn, NY to parents Jim and Ellen McKnight (nee Colbert).

Richard graduated with a degree in Business Administration from Long Island University - Brooklyn Campus in 1980. He received his M.B.A. from St. John's University in 2000. After 37 years across the Accounting and Customer Operations groups at Con Edison, he retired in February. Since his retirement, he enjoyed regularly playing golf and spending time with his new grandchildren.

Richard was predeceased by his parents Jim and Ellen; and his sister Ann. He is survived by his wife, Eileen McKnight (nee Murphy); his daughter Peggy, her husband Jerry and their two children - Sophia and Anthony; his son Stephen; his sister Margaret, her husband Eugene and their son Sean; 3 close cousins, loving in-laws, 7 nieces and nephews, and a large extended family of Friends & Neighbors.

A Memorial Gathering will be held Monday, September 19th from 4-8PM at Bongarzone Funeral Home - 2400 Shafto Road, Tinton Falls, NJ. In lieu of

flowers, donations can be made to the American Cancer Society - Making Strides (Team Margaret's Shamrocks).

Cemetery Details

All other services are private

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

SEP 19. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bongarzone Funeral Home
2400 Shafto Road
Tinton Falls, NJ 07712
(732) 918-6200

Tribute Wall

RV

“ *My condolences to the McKnight family. I worked for Rich for almost 10 years in Customer Assistance and during those years he always treated me as a co-worker and not as one of his employees. I was sorry to hear of his passing, he remains in my prayers.*

Rich Venedam

Rich Venedam - September 19, 2016 at 08:04 PM

MI

“ *As a member of the NY Public Service Commission, I had the pleasure of working with Rich for many years. While PSC Staff and utility personnel are sometimes on opposing sides, he was always a perfect gentleman, and was always true to his word. Rich excelled in his ability to balance the interests of his Company, and its customers. I was glad I had the chance to know and work with him, and I will miss him. My condolences to his family.*

Martin Insogna - September 19, 2016 at 01:28 PM

PE

“ *To the McKnight family -I am so sorry to hear about your loss- My prayers are with you in this difficult time*



Perla - September 19, 2016 at 12:11 PM

TE

“ Rich, I will always remember you stopping at he bus stop and giving me a ride to school. While there were only 3 of us from the Channel that attended Cathedral, you managed to make our day a little easier with that ride in your car. May you rest in peace my friend, Terry McMahon-Class of '77 and 10th Road Channelite.

Terry.McMahon - September 19, 2016 at 11:19 AM

WH

“ I had the opportunity to work with Rich and his staff in the early days concerning modernizing customer call centers' telecommunications systems. Rich was a professional and gentleman. I am sorry for his loss. Rich and his family will be in my thoughts and prayers.

William J. Harris

William J. Harris - September 19, 2016 at 11:13 AM

SR

“ Rich,

You were so good for our young individuals here at Con Edison. I loved how you push them to do better. You have always been a gentleman and a scholar. I will especially miss you on St. Paddy's day. You always brought us your wonderful wife's soda bread. I pray strength, and peace for your family. God Bless you Rich and do Rest in Peace

Sandy Rodriguez

Sandy Rodriguez - September 19, 2016 at 09:44 AM

NF

“Peggy and family...so sorry for your loss.. Praying that God will help you get through this hardship. Love Aunt NORMA..🙏

norma foti - September 18, 2016 at 10:43 PM

KH

“McKnight Family, your Dad was most responsible for how Con Edison communicates with Customers during emergencies. Rich was the driver of many early and emerging technology in this space. Rich McKnight really made a difference and made all the people around him better. Rich had a positive influence on me and many others. You should be very proud of Rich and the difference he made. He was a good person.

Kevin Hennelly - September 18, 2016 at 07:43 PM

JC

“ Rich



It was eight years ago I met your beautiful daughter and she asked me to go to a wedding (Chris& Kelly) where we all met at your house and I was introduced to you as well as the whole family (talk about an overwhelming situation). From there, the rest was history. Two years later I asked you if I could take your daughters hand in marriage and you said "yes take her". All the pressure leading up to that was defused with comedy and love. Fast forward another two years when we had you'r first grandchild, Sophia. I know that was one of the best days of your life. She called you poo poo for a while before she got it right and called you Papou (thank you friends and neighbors for that). Our family was blessed again when we welcomed Anthony 4 months ago marking another joyful day in your life. I could go on and on because these 8 years have been nothing but the best days of my life and I'm forever grateful for all you have meant to us and done for our family. I will miss dinner at MJ'S , trips to Delaware, spending time with you and leaning on you for advice and guidance. You always thought of me as your son and I thought as you as my father .I LOVE YOU. RIP and I know you will be looking down on the family and kids.

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Jerry Capozzi

Jerry Capozzi - September 18, 2016 at 07:10 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard G McKnight.



September 18, 2016 at 06:35 PM

TS

“ *Richie,*
It was always good seeing you over the course of years since we graduated from Cathedral. Dinners with the boys on a yearly basis was and is something I always look forward to. You will be missed, but not forgotten among all of us. You are a big part of all our lives. Thanks for being a lifelong friend. Certainly glad we had lunch at Google last year. Godspeed.

Tom Shanahan - September 18, 2016 at 10:36 AM

RD

“ *To the Family of Rich,*

May Rich RIP. I worked with Rich for many years at Con Edison and had many laughs and conversations. I was at his retirement party in February and the one thing that struck me was the diversity in the room and the many young people that admired Rich and were influenced by him.

Rich left a legacy at Con Edison and his influence will live on in others.

I am glad I got to know Rich and wish him well at his retirement party, and even sing a special song to him. May his spirit live on.

Bob D.

Robert Damato - September 18, 2016 at 07:35 AM

SE

“ Uncle Rich,
I am sad that you are gone. You taught me how to properly hold my knife and fork after watching me “saw” my meat in Kingsmill. You brought me on your family vacations when my parents were working. You beat me in the “Tour de Tinton Falls” by a mere few seconds because I showboated. We lent each other countless movies on DVD before On Demand became popular. You shared a reading at my wedding. You most recently lent me your house in Delaware for a mini vacation with Melissa. You gave me two of my best friends, my cousins Stephen and Peggy, who I consider my brother and sister. You and Aunt Eileen had a part in raising me and I want to thank you. Parties, holidays and F&F gatherings will not be the same but I know you will still always be there. Let’s go Mets! I love you

Sean - September 17, 2016 at 10:57 PM

DM

“ Our deepest condolences to the McKnight family from the Capozzi and Madison family
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Daina Madison - September 17, 2016 at 09:41 PM

DM

“ Daina Madison lit a candle in memory of Richard G McKnight



Daina Madison - September 17, 2016 at 09:09 PM

BH

“ *Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Richard G McKnight*



Bongarzone Funeral Home - September 17, 2016 at 02:23 PM

AR

“ *Rich, I was looking forward to being near you and your family and continuing to enjoy our friendship in the coming years. I always valued your opinion even though I may not have shared that with you as often as I could have. (You would have used it against me. lol) You have impacted a lot of people over the years and I can say that I know I am a better person for knowing you and your wonderful family. Your life may have been shorter than any of us wanted it to be, but your guidance, influence and love will be felt by many of us for years to come. I miss you, my friend. Rest in peace.*

A friend of Rich - September 17, 2016 at 09:17 AM