



Robert Charles Conner

July 5, 1940 - June 24, 2025

Robert Charles Conner, born on July 5, 1940 in Brooklyn, NY, passed away peacefully on June 24, 2025, at the age of 84. A dedicated public servant, Robert served honorably as a police officer with the New York City Police Department. His commitment to duty extended beyond his law enforcement career, as he was also an active member of the Kings Park Fire Department, exemplifying his dedication to the community throughout his life.

As a proud veteran of the U.S. Army Reserves, Robert served from 1963-1975 and earned the rank of "Technical Sergeant". In 1977 he enlisted in the 106th Air National Guard, serving in the Crash Rescue Unit at West Hampton Beach Airport where he earned the rank of "Master Sergeant" until his honorable discharge in 1988. His time in service instilled in him values of integrity, discipline, and unwavering commitment, traits which shaped his character and influenced him personally and professionally.

Robert was a devoted family man, cherished by his wife, Mary Conner, and lovingly remembered by his children, Michael Conner and Beth Fierstien (David) of Virginia. He also leaves behind five beautiful grandchildren, Kaitlyn, Max, Skylar, Sierra, and Savannah. Step children: Jesse, Patrick(Courtney), Melva(Michael), James(Rachel) and eight step grandchildren. Robert is also survived by his brother, Dennis Conner of Tennessee and four nieces, Erin, Meredith, Susan and Shannon.

Robert was preceded in death by: His parents Charles and Mary Conner and his loving wife of 56 years, Gail Conner.

A visitation will be held at Sellers Funeral Home on July 7, 2025, at 5:00 PM, followed by a funeral service on July 8, 2025, at 9:00 AM. Robert will be laid to rest at Indiantown Gap National Cemetery in Annville, PA, with burial taking place at 1:00 PM. He leaves behind a legacy of service, love, and commitment that will be forever cherished by those who knew him.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, <https://www.stjude.org>

Cemetery Details

Fort Indiantown Gap National Cemetery

Indiantown Gap Road
Anville, PA 17003

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 7. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Sellers Funeral Home
297 Philadelphia Avenue
Chambersburg, PA 17201

Funeral Service

JUL 8. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

PB

“ Bob was a very dear friend, despite being 26 years my senior. He was my sponsor when I joined the Kings Park Fire Department and my mentor while I was an active member. I remember how proud he was when I was elected and served five terms as Department President. In that time, I could always turn to him for advice and considered him to be my "consigliere". When thinking of him, the strongest personal traits that come to mind was honest, ethical and always reliable. If he said he was going to do something for you, he always followed through. I don't believe he attended university, however, he was one of the most learned self educated Renaissance men I ever knew. He was well versed and well read in a host of topics, to the point of becoming a veritable authority in anything he took an interest in. We spoke frequently on the phone after he left New York; and it was always a great pleasure to see him in person whenever he came up North. He hated to say goodbye and preferred to use the German phrase "Auf Wiedersehen", meaning "until we meet again" . With that in mind, "God Bless you Bob until we meet again in the next life". Your friend always.---- Phil Battaglia

Philip Battaglia - July 08, 2025 at 09:17 PM

DC

“ Bob was the BEST Brother a guy could have. He'll always will be remembered . Rest in Peace until we meet again.

DENNIS CONNER - July 07, 2025 at 11:51 AM



“ *Bob Conner was my neighbor, my friend, co-worker, and supporter above all he was loyal and giving. He is someone who will be sorely missed by all who knew him. God speed Bob.*
Richard M. Garland, Sr.



Richard Garland - July 06, 2025 at 02:57 PM

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“ *I met Bob in September 1954 when we both began as Freshmen at La Salle Academy in NYC and have been fast friends ever since. My wife, Gerri, knew Bob even longer having been his classmate through Grammar School We lived in the same Ridgewood (NY) area for years and then were neighbors in Kings Park (NY) for another 25 years*

Bob and his family were like our family as well sharing Holidays, Birthdays and dozens of other annual get togethers, One Christmas was especially memorable. Bob liked fire engines and had acquired an old (I believe an American LaFrance) engine he was restoring. I had been asked to play Santa for another friend's children and interrupted our celebration to play my part. On hearing that, Bob immediately volunteered to drive me, but in his Fire Engine. Santa's cold ride in an open cab, the enthusiastic waving from cars and pedestrians and the astonishment of the children seeing Santa arrive in a Fire Engine, siren wailing and driven by Bob in his Fire Chief hat can simply not be forgotten.

There are many dozens of memories and stories I could relate of our 70 year friendship, but they can all be summed by saying that he was a TRUE friend and a remarkable person, He will be missed.

Val Lehr

Valentine Lehr - July 04, 2025 at 03:24 PM

RH

“ Bob and I had a Special bond. He was like my 2nd father, I talked to Bob more than anyone besides my immediate family. We talked often for 20 years, shared special get togethers, hunting with my husband or just talking.

We've exchanged tons of stories, him more than me...of course. We all know how Bob enjoyed talking and giving advice to anyone he thought might benefit. He had a insurmountable sense of love and commitment to what he saw needed his attention or those he loved.

I got to know about his past, his whole family, his past friends, and some that weren't so good of friends...lol

Bob could tell you and I don't know how, but he knew the name on his note book from 3rd grade. Remarkable memory of his past.

I just want to send to all his family my deepest condolences and love. His passing has left a hole in my heart.

From Green eyes 

Robin Herr - July 03, 2025 at 02:09 PM