



## Peter J. Killius

June 21, 2022

Peter J. Killius, 57, of North Syracuse and formerly of Key West, FL, passed away on Tuesday, June 21, 2022, after an extensive battle with Pancreatic Cancer. Born in Syracuse, he graduated in 1983 from Cicero High School. He attended Syracuse University, Morrisville A&T School and graduated from SUNY Albany at St. Peter's Hospital. He was a certified surgical technician until reinventing himself as a restaurateur. He owned Pete's Meats in Key West for 20 years and more recently Paradise Pizza.

Peter loved meeting people, and did so with his generous, outstanding personality and infectious smile. He never knew a stranger; everyone he met was his friend. The past several years, he spent his time in Key West and at his camp at Brennan's Beach in Pulaski, New York. Peter loved to sail and started with sailing a Hobie Cat. He belonged to Fleet 204 and taught sailing both on Oneida Lake and in Key West.

Predeceased by his father, Walter, in 2018, Peter is survived by his family members, Nancy Blair Killius, Patricia Killius, Pamela (Gary) Burket, Paul (Maria) Killius, Marguerite (Craig) Harper, Madison Pinkerton, several nieces and nephews, and his lifelong friends.

A calling hour will be from 3:00 to 4:00 pm on Tuesday, June 28th, 2022 followed by a service at Fergerson Funeral Home, 215 South Main Street, North Syracuse with a reception to follow the service. For live stream of the service, visit Peter's Tribute page at [FergersonFuneralHome.com](http://FergersonFuneralHome.com).

Graveside services have been scheduled for 10 am Saturday, September 24th

in North Syracuse Cemetery, 555 South Bay Rd.

Donations may be made to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network, 1500 Rosecrans Avenue, Suite 200, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266 or The Lustgarten Foundation for Pancreatic Cancer Research, 415 Crossways Park Drive, Suite D, Woodbury, NY 11797.

# Previous Events

## Calling Hour

JUN 28. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Ferguson Funeral Home, Inc.  
215 South Main Street  
North Syracuse, NY 13212  
(315) 458-1970  
<http://fergersonfuneralhome.com/>

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## Graveside Service

SEP 24. 10:00 AM (ET)

North Syracuse Cemetery  
555 South Bay Road  
North Syracuse , NY 13212

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fergerson Funeral Home created a Calling Hour and Service in memory of Peter J. Killius*



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**Fergerson Funeral Home** - June 28, 2022 at 02:21 PM



“ *Peter J. Killius*

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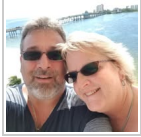
October 06, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ *It's taken me so long to gather my thoughts. That's because sometimes I deal with really hard situations by NOT dealing. But Peter, my friend, is indeed gone. Somehow, in my mind, I thought this day wouldn't come. You were such a bright light. I will miss your ridiculously contagious laugh, and big, bright smile. I will miss your hugs, so warm and strong. I will hold dear EVERY SINGLE MEMORY that I have with you: from working with you at Hoo's-to hanging out with the "Michigan Boys"-to our talks-to seeing you in Key West-to our last conversations. You positively touched the life of everyone that had the privilege of crossing your path. And you will FOREVER be greatly missed. I love you my friend.*

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**Karen Williams-deCastro** - July 02, 2022 at 06:55 AM



“Gone too soon, but that infectious smile and friendly personality will remain forever. So very sorry to the many many lives he touched, there will never be another, too say he was one in a million is a huge understatement.

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**George Pinkasiewicz** - June 29, 2022 at 05:20 AM

MP

“My thoughts and prayers are with all of Pete’s family and friends during this sad time. I went to school with Pete. I don’t think I ever encountered him without a smile on his face. Always a happy go lucky guy. I hadn’t seen him much through the years but thanks to Facebook we were able to reconnect. Rest In Peace Pete, you and your smile will surely be missed.



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**Michele White Pascarella** - June 28, 2022 at 09:27 PM

KD

“To Peter’s family I send my condolences. I met Peter when first came to the Key and worked at the Hog. Peter was so much fun and I have such fond memories of him. Every time my girls and I went down to Key West they used to ask can we eat with Mr. Peter? He had even won over the second generation. As only Peter could. I send love and peace to each you and thank you for sharing Peter with us.

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**Kathy DeMay** - June 28, 2022 at 04:25 PM



“ I had so much fun with Peter in HS, great memories ❤️🙏



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**Tina Arnold** - June 28, 2022 at 04:14 PM

BW

“ To Nancy, Patty, Pam, Peggy, Paul and Madison, my deepest sympathies for Petes passing. Pete was good friend to me and many others. I was fortunate to visit with Pete a few weeks ago at his happy place at Brennan Beach before his passing and we were able to share some good memories of growing up on Hamilton Road together. Building forts on Blueberry Hill, skating on the pond, sledding at Big Tree Hill, camping, playing music and all those wonderful things we were able to do growing up. Before I left I told him I loved him and that we would see each other again in this life or the next. Although very sad, I know Pete is in a better place now without the pain he was suffering. I would also like to send a sincere thank you to Ernie Fenner who stood by Pete and helped him through all this when he needed it the most. Also to Brian Fenner, Deb, Patsy, Lauren and all the other great friends of Pete at Brennan's that helped him and comforted him through his illness. You will be missed Pete. I love you brother.

*Bill Warner*

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**Bill Warner** - June 28, 2022 at 03:45 PM

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“ *Patty Weber and the Crooks family... purchased the Garden Accent - A heart of gold stopped beating... for the family of Peter J. Killius.*



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**Patty Weber and the Crooks family...** - June 28, 2022 at 10:02 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Peter J. Killius.*



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June 27, 2022 at 03:58 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Peter J. Killius.*



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June 26, 2022 at 11:33 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Peter J. Killius.*



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June 26, 2022 at 05:17 PM

TJ

“ So sad to hear of the loss of Peter. I worked with him in the early 80's at Beefsteak Mining Company. I'll always remember him as a great guy with a smile for everyone and a nice person to work with. He led quite a life and had many interests and acquired many many friends over the course of his all too brief life. My thoughts are with those friends and his family at this sorrowful time. He will be missed.

Thomas England Jr - June 24, 2022 at 11:51 PM

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Thomas England - June 24, 2022 at 11:52 PM

CK

So sorry to here of Pete's passing... a really great guy, with a great smile everytime you met up with him. He had many many friends in key west ... so sad at this news.. he is greatly missed... RIP Pete

chad kessge - June 25, 2022 at 11:28 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Peter J. Killius.



June 24, 2022 at 06:32 PM



“ We will all miss Peter very much. He taught us how to be a good human being. Peter had special qualities that you just can't forget. He fought a good fight and is resting now. We are honored to call Peter our friend. Sue & Tom Korzeniewski

Susan Korzeniewski - June 24, 2022 at 06:08 PM

MJ

“ Pam and family - sending love and prayers for you all. Marti & Al

Marti Jenner - June 24, 2022 at 05:48 PM

SC

“ To Nancy, Pam and family,

So sorry to hear of Peter's passing. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers at this most difficult time.

Susan Wells Cleland (Dorothy Wells' daughter)

Susan Cleland - June 24, 2022 at 08:16 AM

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“ Todd purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Peter J. Killius.



Todd - June 23, 2022 at 11:41 PM

TH

“ What a Great write up. He deserved that so much. Miss you Pete. RIP MY FRIEND. Thinking of you all. So sorry.

Toni Heitkamp - June 23, 2022 at 10:19 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Peter J. Killius.*



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June 23, 2022 at 08:22 PM



“ *Some times, you meet someone that you feel so comfortable with , that even if you don't see each other for a while, it's like no time has passed, you pick up where you Left off , Pete was that kind of person, untill I see you again, we'll stay in touch.*

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**Tom Andrews** - June 23, 2022 at 12:35 PM