



William F. Conaway

May 23, 1944 - April 21, 2020

TOWNSEND: William F. Conaway, Sr., 75, of Townsend, died Tuesday, April 21, 2020 at Southern New Hampshire Medical Center in Nashua.

He was born in Wheeling, WV on May 23, 1944, a son of the late Isadore A., Sr. and Anna Conaway. He resided in Townsend for the past 49 years.

Bill was a decorated Vietnam veteran having served in the U.S. Army for 23 years retiring as a Master Sergeant in 1984.

Following his retirement from the Army Bill went to work in the computer security industry starting at RCA/GE and retiring in 2003 from Genuity (previously GTE/BBN) as the Director of Network Security. During his career, Bill was most proud of his work at BBN Technologies, founders of the internet. He held a bachelor's degree from Franklin Pierce University in Computer Science.

Besides his computers, Bill enjoyed gardening, fishing, woodcraft, and camping. He will be remembered by anyone that met him by his outgoing personality and ability to share his stories.

He leaves his wife of 54 years, Carol Conaway of Townsend; a son William F. Conaway, Jr., and his wife Amanda of Brookline, NH; three daughters, Elizabeth A. Hines and her husband Richard Czajkowski of Venice, FL, Katrina M. Balcher and her husband Patrick James of Townsend and Stephanie A. Ham and her husband Steven of Biddeford, ME; and his 17 grandchildren, Makayla, Ian, Cameron, Megan, Hannah, Liam, Stephen, Margaret, Lauren, Shaleigh, Brady, Patterson, Madison, Keelyn, Grace,

Katelyn, Jamison, and Paige who was born on May 14th, their wedding anniversary.

He is predeceased by his brother, Isadore A. Conaway, Jr., and his sister Anna Virginia Conaway.

His funeral Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, June 27, at 10AM in St John the Evangelist Church, 1 School St., Townsend. Burial with full military honors will be held in the Hillside Cemetery in Townsend.

In lieu flowers memorial contributions may be made to the VFW Santa Fund. P.O. Box 328, Townsend, MA 01469. attention Betty Mae Tenney.

Cemetery Details

Hillside Cemetery

Highland Street
Townsend, MA

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

JUN 27. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. John the Evangelist Church
1 School Street
Townsend, MA 01469

Tribute Wall

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“ *My deepest condolences to Bill's family.*

Bill was my manager at Genuity. He was the best manager I have worked for. Because of Bill I would look forward to going to work and give my best. He was always there for me. During my difficult pregnancy, Bill would frequently check on me that I was not getting stressed out at work.

His presence was larger than life and generosity boundless. I consider myself lucky to have worked in Bill's group.

Rest in peace Bill.

Ritu Chadha

Ritu Chadha - June 28, 2020 at 04:44 PM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of William F. Conaway.*



May 19, 2020 at 07:20 PM

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“ *So sorry for your loss.*



Brenda Rodgers - April 29, 2020 at 11:38 PM

EM

“ Bill, my friend and extended family. I am so so sorry to see you go off to a new and peaceful place. We'll all meet again. I have enjoyed all your visits along with Carol and Mom Mom. We have shared a few wonderful meals and especially the chicken feet. That will always be in my memory. I am saddened for your family and will keep them always in my thoughts and prayers. Kiss Mom Mom for me. See you soon my cuzz....❤️

elizabeth mastrangelo - April 29, 2020 at 10:44 PM

 RETIRED

“ It was a shock to hear of Bill's passing, our thoughts and prayers are with you. We will certainly miss him camping. Jim & Sue Hamel

Jim Hamel - April 28, 2020 at 01:27 PM

DL

“ Sending love, hugs and prayers to my friend Carol and her family on the loss of Bill. We camped together for many years and always enjoyed their company and help. I know family was always #1 for them and I'm sure they will get thru this helping each other, especially Carol.

Doris Lewis - April 28, 2020 at 11:00 AM