



## Brian Kelly

September 11, 1963 - June 7, 2021

Brian Patrick Kelly, 57 of Tolland, CT, passed away at home on Monday, June 7, 2021. In his final days, he was surrounded with love and friendship, just as he had been throughout his life.

His two children Robert and Savannah were his greatest joy and his loving advocates during his eleven months of illness, which he fought on his own terms.

Brian is survived by his brother Dennis of Newington, numerous extended family members whom he loved dearly, and his faithful dog Samson and two cats Timon and Pumba who will miss him, too.

His beloved mother Mary (Sheehan) and brother William predeceased Brian.

Brian proudly served his country in the United States Marine Corps, worked for the United States Postal Service, and completed his life of service as a Lieutenant in the State of Connecticut Department of Corrections. He was cited for his bravery, job performance, and was a member of the tactical emergency response team.

All who know Brian will never forget his blue eyes, ready smile, stubborn streak, and sense of humor. He loved animals and cheered for the underdog every time; big Red Sox fan.

All are welcome to attend a graveside service with military honors at Rose Hill Memorial Park, 580 Elm St. Rocky Hill, CT on Monday, June 14th at 12pm. In lieu of flowers please offer a donation to the CT Humane Society or to Big Brother Big Sisters of America.

Semper Fi, Kelly.

# Cemetery

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## Rose Hill Memorial Park

580 Elm Street

Rocky Hill, CT, 06067

# Events

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**JUN** **Graveside Service** 12:00PM - 01:00PM

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Rose Hill Memorial Park

580 Elm Street, Rocky Hill, CT, US, 06067

# Comments

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D. Morgan - June 20 at 03:20 PM

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“ Brian was one of the good ones, and one of the best I've had the privilege of working with or for. He was always able to keep it all in perspective when work got stupid and had a knack for brining the tension level down. My younger brother passed unexpectedly last year and I heard from Brian almost immediately, checking in on me, despite the fact that we'd been at different facilities for almost two years. He has said much to me in our last year of conversations that will stay with me forever, words for which I will always be grateful. My deepest sympathies and most heartfelt condolences go out to his family and loved ones. Big Kels, I hope you're enjoying an ice cold Treehouse right now my friend, you deserve it. You are and always will be missed. Until we meet again, Semper Fi and rest easy brother.

Mike Rossi - June 13 at 06:15 PM



“ Thank you for sharing this with us. We are also very sorry for your loss.  
The Kelly Family

B. Kelly - June 23 at 08:38 AM

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“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Brian Kelly.



June 12 at 08:09 PM

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“ First time I met Brian Kelly, he had transferred in from Bergin. He says “hey kid who’s Officer Mangual” and I point over to where she is standing, and then he says to me “huh so you’re a finger pointer” I broke down in laughter but he was straight faced serious. So when he noticed me get serious he then started laughing at me. Brian was an Officer’s Lieutenant, he was there for you when you needed him. He didn’t let things you did wrong go unchecked but educated you in becoming better. I will miss you Brian Rest easy my friend and continue to watch over us LT!!



**Josem Rivera** - June 10 at 04:39 PM

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“ Rest in peace Brian. You were a good friend and co-worker. You were the person I always turned to when seeking advice, always just a phone call away and willing to help. We both left WCCI at the same time, I went to Brooklyn 3rd shift and you went to Uconn 3rd shift..I'll miss your nightly calls to check in to see how I was doing. I remember always joking with you and letting you know I started back in the 90's at Somers, you were always quick to put me in my place saying "It was late 99 and it was Osborn kid"..Miss you buddy.

**Kevin Griffin** - June 09 at 06:01 PM



“ Brian I will miss you until the day it’s my turn to go. I remember many times we got together.We would talk about things.  
Brian will always say Cavin you’re not causing any trouble are you and I say no just keeping everything straight he would smile always had that contagious smile.Didn’t like trouble,Wasn’t afraid of it.He always enjoy peaceful surroundings.I Love you my brother.  
God calls you to his side.

**Robert Cavin** - June 09 at 07:01 PM



“ Brian was the best of the best

**Robert Cavin** - June 09 at 07:15 PM

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“ My friend and partner at work for CT DOC. I remember when Brian first transferred in to the same facility I worked at; we became instant friends. I think it was because we both had the same, cynical sense of humor. A pleasure to work with and a salt of the earth guy. Rest in Peace my friend.

**Jack Cupka** - June 09 at 03:44 PM

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“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Brian Kelly.



June 09 at 02:45 PM

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“ I met Brian 21 years ago, we started the Dept. about 4 months apart. Always enjoyed hearing his voice if it was working a housing unit together or later on once he was a supervisor busting each other's stones. No matter what kind of day we were having we always laughed. It is times like this that you reflect back on someone's words and I so appreciate that Brian always thanked me for being his friend. Rest easy my friend!! I'll miss you.....

**Ryan Rawlinitis** - June 09 at 01:27 PM

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“ Working any shift as a fellow Lieutenant with Brian was always an adventure.. Whether it was at Bergin or Willard-Cybulski he was a good partner.. Our styles didn't usually match but there was always mutual respect & plenty of laughs.. Rest peacefully old friend..

**Dan Leone** - June 09 at 12:28 PM



“ Lt. Kelly was a great role model and friend. Many third shift nights we spent hours in the control center talking about life, that was after he harassed me for opening the door for him. I also remember the banter he recieved when he first came to Bergin . All senior staff were calling him rookie and the like and he took it like a champHe will be missed dearly

**Robyn Wass** - June 09 at 12:48 PM



“ I met Brian back in the bicycle/mini-bike days. We both ended up buying similar first bikes and riding together whenever we could. You are missed, Brian, RIP

**Phil Fleming** - June 09 at 08:36 PM



“ Thank you Brian for the laughs we shared while working together as Lieutenants at Bergin CI. Definitely gone way too soon.... RIP buddy...

**Idette Thompson** - June 09 at 08:54 PM