



Anthony Joseph "Tony" Reilly III

May 11, 1939 - May 9, 2019

Tony Reilly (Anthony Joseph Reilly III, PhD) passed away Thursday, May 9, 2019 in his Bloomington, IN home, surrounded by family and following several weeks of hospice care. Tony was born on May 11, 1939 in Nashville, TN of Anthony Joseph Reilly, Jr and Mildred Reilly.

In addition to his wife, Maureen Biggers (Reilly), he is survived by his children: Paul, Shannon, Peter, Seth, and stepdaughter Brittany; grandchildren Grant, Trenton, Jack, and Calvin; his sister Ginger Holstein and brothers Michael and Jay Reilly. His stepson, James Biggers, predeceased him.

Tony graduated from Reitz Memorial high school, in Evansville, IN and received a B.S. from Xavier University and a MS and PhD in Organizational Psychology from the University of Iowa. Following work with Eli Lilly Corporation research and engineering teams, he spent twelve years as Senior Consultant for CA based University Associates, a publishing, consulting and training firm where he trained managers and consultants from hundreds of organizations throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico. To work more closely with line managers and executives, Tony joined the firm of Keilty, Goldsmith, and Boone and then established his own consulting practice where for the next thirty five years he excelled at establishing and nurturing strong trust-based relationships with each client he served.

Tony was a giver who never expected anything in return. He was a loving, kind, creative, heartfelt man who positively impacted lives of so many people through his supportive mentoring, coaching, workshop designs, training, facilitation, friendship, and volunteer work. One person recently described him as Mentor Sage. His most significant work prior to his recent retirement was five-plus years as an external consultant to Google, leading workshops to develop more effective people skills for their managers all over the world. Not fully retired, Tony was a virtual coach to several executives while also engaging in volunteer work with the Unitarian Universalist's Kids with Absent Parents (KAP) program where he worked with the caregivers of children whose parents are incarcerated. He also volunteered with the Community Justice and Mediation Center, was on the board for Made Up Mind (M.U.M.), a non-profit transitional program for ex-offenders who are committed to remaining out of prison, and worked with the Court Appointed Special Advocates program for children (CASA).

Since mid-March, more than 80 people from near and far came to be with him and share stories about the profound impact he made on their lives. The beauty of that was that he was actually present with them. For others who could not make it in person, they made videos, sent him letters and called him. He joked about it being an Irish wake "in reverse" because he was here to enjoy it and hear what people had to say. He considered it a great gift to be present for his own celebration of his life. A private service was held with family.

He was an avid supporter of his wife's passion/work to empower women through initiatives with the Indiana University Center of Excellence for Women in Technology and requested that memorial contributions be made to the Indiana University Center of Excellence for Women in Technology in care of the IU Foundation.

Special thanks to Nurse Jim and all the other wonderful staff at IU Hospice, the IU Health Advanced Heart Center, and Home Instead.

You Are invited to share a memory or leave an online condolence to the family at www.allencares.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ My memories of Tony were developed via my dear wonderful friend Judy Schector, who always had tremendous respect for his profound organizational insights. Judy and I had the joy of working together at MAQIN in Madison, Wisconsin in the 1990s. When Judy and I were facing a sticky organizational situation, she would warmly share a “Tony insight” or a “Tony perspective” with me. The sage wisdom and incredible thought-full-ness of Tony would help us both graciously, effectively, and confidently move forward. Thank you, Tony. You will always be missed and fondly remembered. xoxo



Cindy Schlough - August 22, 2019 at 03:16 AM

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“ I was too young to know Tony except by the stories told by his parents, my relatives and Jay. The Reilly's were a family led by Mr. Reilly. I can still remember the tone of his voice which made me know what he said was right. My parents and cousin spoke often of the time Tony stopped in for a surprise visit and my parents would use Tony for a success story of what someone could accomplish with hard work and a good education. The strong family the Reilly's are is the example for all families. Tony rest now with his mom and dad.

God bless you all
Ric Gillespie

Richard Gillespie - August 19, 2019 at 06:25 AM

BB

“Maureen, I am so sad to hear about Tony. He sounds perfect for you, and I know you had a wonderful life together. Much love and sympathy to you. --Bonnie Brant

Bonnie Brant - May 30, 2019 at 10:17 AM



“Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." was purchased for the family of Anthony Joseph "Tony" Reilly III.



May 15, 2019 at 01:24 PM

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“Our heartfelt condolences to your family. Tony was truly a kind and gifted person. He changed lives, and brought hope and happiness to those he met.

While he was very wise, he also was a kid at heart -- joking, playing, making people laugh.

Diane Legomsky

Diane Legomsky - May 13, 2019 at 12:47 PM

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So often in our thoughts ✨

Jan kohr and Haley Norwood - May 13, 2019 at 04:40 PM