



# Joseph "Tim" Conradus Pyles

April 30, 1951 - December 19, 2024

The family of Joseph C. Pyles sadly announce his passing on December 19, 2024, at The Willows at Citation in Lexington, at the age of 73, with his wife beside him.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife Charlotte; his children, Sandra (Travis) Gardner, Robert Scott Pyles, Laura (Drew Mindell) Pyles; and grandchildren, Tyler, Shelby, Erin, Sam, Aubrey, Dominik, and Zakk. He will be deeply missed by his siblings James Leslie Pyles, Dianna Lynn (Dennis) Morrison, Robert David Pyles, and Sarah Jo (Dale) Jeffries, and a network of extended family and friends. Tim was predeceased by his parents Lt. Col. Leslie Carlisle and Elizabeth Bray Pyles, and brother Daniel Bray (Sherry) Pyles.

Joseph "Tim" Conradus Pyles was born on April 30, 1951 in Frankfort. The first of six children, Tim and his siblings spent their childhood growing up throughout Kentucky, following their father's job as a Kentucky State Police Officer. The family settled in Shelbyville when the kids got older, where Tim graduated from Shelby County High School in 1969.

Tim graduated with a Bachelor of Science, Civil Engineering in 1973 and a Master of Science, Civil Engineering in 1975, both from the University of Kentucky. Tim was proud of his 50 year career as a structural engineer, where he spent 20 years with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, 20 years with Hayworth Meyer and Boleyn, and five years with WMB, Inc. After his retirement in 2019, Tim was appointed by Governor Andy Beshear to the Kentucky Board of Engineers and Land Surveyors, contributing to the next generation of engineers. Over his career he designed bridges and oversaw projects that now connect communities in Kentucky, Indiana, West Virginia, and Tennessee. He was particularly proud of his work for the tower foundations at Maceo.

Outside of his work, Tim was most proud of helping his wife to raise their three children, and spending time with his grandchildren. He showed his love and affection for them with multiple nicknames. Tim was a lifelong learner and enjoyed sharing his wealth of knowledge. He always had a fact to share about any topic or issue. He loved to travel

across the United States and Canada with Charlotte, hike with their dog Gus, read, practice photography, and stargaze. He learned to cook later in life and took joy in cooking family recipes, especially those his mother made when he was a child.

A celebration of life will take place on Friday, December 27, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. at The Elizabeth in Frankfort.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to a charity of one's choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home & Crematory.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

DEC 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

The Elizabeth  
306 Wapping Street  
Frankfort, KY 40601

# Tribute Wall

MB

“ So sorry to here of Tim's passing. We are stuck at the house with COVID. We will keep you in our prayers during this difficult time :(

Mark Bray - December 27, 2024 at 09:11 AM

MB

“ Mark B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph "Tim" Conradus Pyles.

Mark B. - December 27, 2024 at 09:07 AM

RS

“ I met Tim at Shelby County High School in the mid sixties. We graduated together in 1969, went on to graduate from UK in '73 and worked in the same circle of civil engineers for over 50 years. During that time, we also worked on class reunions and ran into each other at various industry functions. Tim was a brilliant man, easy going, and liked by all who knew him. R.I.P, Tim.

Richard Sutherland - December 26, 2024 at 10:00 AM

BH

“ Charlotte and family-  
I was sad to read in Wednesday's paper that Tim had passed away. He was a good friend and a true professional. He patiently helped me often when I was having problems with computer design programs that we used in the Bridge Office. I talked with him often when he worked at HMB. I hope your memories of him will bring you comfort in this difficult time. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Bill Hornbeck - December 25, 2024 at 04:47 PM

RS

“ I am saddened to hear about the passing of Tim. I have always admired him for his structural knowledge and overall knowledge of the civil engineering profession. He was always there to listen and answer any questions i may have presented at the time. He was an exceptional engineer to say the least. I always enjoyed talking to him when he worked in Structural Design (old Bridge Office) when i worked in Highway Design. He would always stop what he was working on and talk to me. I will miss Tim. He was a great person and a good friend. Prayers to Charlotte and the family.

*Robert Semones*

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**robert semones** - December 23, 2024 at 09:34 PM

MR

“ Mary R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph "Tim" Conradus Pyles.

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**Mary R.** - December 20, 2024 at 08:17 PM