



Diane Conroy

February 15, 2026

Diane Conroy (née McLaughlin), a woman defined by her kindness, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by her loving family on Sunday, February 15, 2026. Born on June 11, 1943, in Jamaica, Queens, to the late Stasia and Bernard McLaughlin, Diane was raised in Richmond Hill, Queens, alongside her brothers, Jim and Bruce. After graduating from Bishop McDonnell Memorial High School, she followed her calling into healthcare, earning her nursing degree from the Queens Hospital Center School of Nursing. It was during these formative years that she met and fell in love with the late Bernard (Barney) Conroy.

Diane and Barney married in 1965, beginning their life together in Woodhaven, Queens, before eventually settling in River Edge, New Jersey. For nearly sixty years, Diane was a dedicated resident of River Edge and a faithful parishioner of St. Peter the Apostle. She balanced her commitment to her community with a distinguished 30-plus year career as a nurse at Holy Name Hospital in Teaneck, where her compassion touched countless lives before her retirement.

Above all, Diane embraced the joy of connection. Whether she was maintaining her 70-year tradition of vacationing at Yanders in Pennsylvania, traveling to new places, or enjoying a meal and a movie with friends, she cherished every moment. She was a constant, warm presence at nursing reunions, neighborhood gatherings, and church celebrations, always ready for a long conversation with a lifelong friend.

Her greatest pride, however, was her family. She is survived by her children: Bern (Gail), Tim (Denise), Maureen, and Colleen, and her three beloved granddaughters, Emma, Olivia, and Samantha, who were the lights of her life.

Diane was famously known for never missing an occasion to send a card. In honor of her thoughtful legacy, the family requests that in lieu of flowers, you send a card to someone in your life to share a positive wish or a simple hello—continuing the gentle tradition of kindness she maintained throughout her life.

Visitation: Family will receive friends on Wednesday, February 18, 2026, from 4:00pm to 8:00pm at the Volk Leber Funeral Home at 268 Kinderkamack Road, Oradell, NJ
Funeral Mass: Thursday, February 19, 2026, 10:00am at St. Peter the Apostle, 445 Fifth

Avenue, River Edge, NJ

Interment immediately following the funeral mass: at George Washington Memorial Park
Mausoleum, 234 Paramus Road, Paramus, NJ

Cemetery Details

George Washington Memorial Park

234 Paramus Road
Paramus, NJ 07652

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 18. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Volk Leber Funeral Home
268 Kinderkamack Road
Oradell, NJ 07649
info@volkleber.com
<http://volkleberfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Mass

FEB 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Peter the Apostle
445 5th Avenue
River Edge, NJ 07661

Tribute Wall



“ *Volk Leber Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Diane Conroy*



Volk Leber Funeral Home - February 18 at 03:27 PM



“ *55 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Volk Leber Funeral Home - February 18 at 03:14 PM

LD

“ *My sincerest condolences to Colleen and her family. May your mom rest in peace.*

Laura Delgado - February 17 at 10:28 AM

CM

“ *We can confirm that Aunt Diane never missed a birthday or anniversary! Much love to all from NC.*

Chris McLaughlin - February 16 at 04:20 PM

KR

“ *May you find eternal peace with your beloved Barney. You will surely be missed by all. Your optimism, warmth and care will never be forgotten Aunt Diane. Always sending a card, thoughtful message and email jokes. I remember going into my parents' kitchen and mom would be on the phone for at least an hour. I never had to ask who she was talking with. And they would be laughing. Pleasant memories. Deepest condolences to her family. May the happy memories bring you comfort.*

Kathleen Ryan - February 16 at 04:07 PM

KR

“ *Kathleen Ryan lit a candle in memory of Diane Conroy*



Kathleen Ryan - February 16 at 03:54 PM

JO

“ *Dear Bern, Tim, Maureen and Colleen: So very sorry that Mom has passed, but she is now out of her pain and resting at peace. I will miss her greatly; she was a wonderful, courageous woman, never complaining with all she went through. She was my close friend, and we shared many memories, especially at the lake with all of you kids growing up. Heaven has gained a GREAT woman. Keep those memories alive. Rest in Peace, Diane. Love you! Jane*

Jane O'Connor - February 16 at 01:49 PM

CH

“ *She was the kindest, sweetest, honorary Aunt! Even though we didn't get to see her too often, she was always there up at the lake with a smile. Love you, Mrs. C (Aunt Diane). May you rest in peace. 🙏❤️ Sending love and hugs to Bern, Tim, Moe and Col. 💜*



Cathy Holt - February 16 at 10:31 AM