



## Brian T. Fitzgerald

July 11, 1953 - March 9, 2025

Brian T. Fitzgerald, 71, of Bonita Springs, FL, passed away on Sunday, March 9, 2025, surrounded by his loving family. A former resident of Belle Harbor, NY, he had been a resident of Bonita Springs since 2018. Born on July 11, 1953, in Brooklyn, NY, he was the son of the late Hugh and Mary (McCormick) Fitzgerald.

Brian attended Franklin Pierce University in Rindge before embarking on a distinguished career as a firefighter with the New York City Fire Department. He proudly served as a first responder at the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001, where he played a vital role in the search and recovery efforts. Brian also owned Belle Harbor Pest Control and worked as a lifeguard at Rockaway Beach. He was a proud member of the Emerald Society and was an avid fan of the New York Giants. Brian enjoyed playing golf and traveling, but above all, he cherished the time spent with his family and friends.

Brian is survived by his beloved wife of 46 years, Patricia (Byrnes) Fitzgerald; his loving children, Kaitlyn Fitzgerald of Belle Harbor, NY, Kevin T. (Lauren) Fitzgerald of New Hyde Park, NY, and Brendan (Kayla) Fitzgerald of Belle Harbor, NY; his brothers, Keith (Beth) Hartmann of Gainesville, FL, and Paul Hartmann of Brooklyn, NY; and his cherished grandchildren, Juliette, Saoirse, and Ciaran.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, March 22, 2025, at 3:00 PM at Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home, 28300 Tamiami Trail South, Bonita Springs, FL 34134. The family will receive friends from 2:00 PM until the start of the service.

A Memorial Mass will be celebrated on Saturday April 26th at 10:00 am at St Francis de Sales Catholic Church, 129-16 Rockaway Beach Blvd, Belle Harbor, NY 11694.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Brian's name may be made to the Tunnel to Towers Foundation, 2361 Hylan Boulevard, Staten Island, NY 10306.

Online condolences may be offered by visiting [www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com](http://www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com).

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home, Family Owned Since 1978.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

MAR **22**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home  
28300 Tamiami Trail So.  
Bonita Springs, FL 34134  
(239) 992-4982  
bonitafhbill@comcast.net

## Memorial Service

MAR **22**. 3:00 PM (ET)

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## Memorial Mass

APR **26**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church  
129-16 Rockaway Beach Blvd.  
Belle Harbor, NY 11694

# Tribute Wall



“ 90 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home - March 21, 2025 at 11:39 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Brian T. Fitzgerald.

March 19, 2025 at 07:24 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Brian T. Fitzgerald.



March 19, 2025 at 07:24 PM