

Troy J. Bartley, 51, of Denville, NJ went to be with his Lord and Savior on Tuesday, December 3, 2024.

Troy was born on April 25, 1973, in New Brighton and raised in Independence Township of Beaver County, PA. He graduated Hopewell High School in 1991, and earned a Bachelor degree in Chemical Engineering from Pennsylvania State University in 1996 where he was a member of the Tau Phi Delta fraternity.

At Penn State, Troy developed a love for rugby earning two-time All-American accolades as a prop and competing in three straight final fours. After college, Troy continued his rugby career in the Super League with the San Francisco Old Blues, then with NOVA in Frederick, MD and later with the New York Athletic Club (NYAC) winning 4 club league National Championships in his career. One of Troy's goals was to earn a spot on the United States Rugby Team, The Eagles, which he accomplished.

Troy later settled in Morris County, NJ where he established a successful 18-year professional career with Titanium Fabrication Corporation garnering the admiration and respect of all his coworkers. He would attend Liquid Church regularly in Parsippany, NJ. Troy continued to play for Morris Rugby, and took up coaching in the youth program as well. He was instrumental in developing a winning culture leading several U12 – U23 teams to conference and state rugby championships.

In addition to advancing the game of rugby, Troy loved to hunt, body surf waves, and go boating with loved ones and friends. He was tremendously adored as an uncle by his five nieces and a nephew. If there was a family trip, event, or game, Troy would find a way to make it.

Troy is the son of the late Jimmy R. Bartley and survived by his mother, Betty J. Bartley. He is also survived by an older brother, Wade and wife Carie, a sister, Joy, and a younger brother, Dale and wife Kari.

Troy lived life to the fullest, brought out the best in everyone around him, and will be sorely missed by family, friends, teammates, former players, and all who knew him.

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