

In loving memory of

Pete O'Day

Son, Brother, Cousin, Uncle, Husband, Father, Friend, Mentor



**Rest in peace.
January 27, 2025**





Peter James O'Day
March 30, 1956 — January 27, 2025
Hyattsville

Peter James O'Day passed away on January 27, 2025, at age 68, awaiting organ transplantation. Pete was born on March 30, 1956, as the youngest of eight children to parents Francis and Kathleen O'Day and grew up in Silver Spring and Garrett Park, Maryland. Survived by his loving wife of 35 years, Carmen Parcelli, his beloved sons, Corey O'Day and Sean O'Day, and his cherished siblings, Michael O'Day, Kelly O'Day, Sean O'Day, Brian O'Day, and Kathleen O'Day O'Brien; predeceased by siblings Thomas O'Day and Margaret ("Kitty") Reilly. He was surrounded by a large circle of wonderful extended family and friends.

Pete was a high-spirited and exceptionally caring individual, always full of laughter and curiosity. He graduated from the University of Florida with a degree in Psychology. He worked for many years in residential remodeling and loved figuring out how to build things. He completely renovated his own house in Hyattsville, Maryland and then designed and constructed a spectacular addition featuring a practice studio and workshop. Pete was a voracious reader, with special interests in history and computer science. He was a life-long martial arts practitioner and a proud member of the Wudang Longmen lineage (19th generation). He also shot a mean game of pool.

Pete O'Day

Photo of O'Day family in 1956, the year Pete was born.

Frank & Kathleen O'Day, 2 girls, 6 boys.
Pete was the youngest.

O'Day kids ages when Pete was born:

Kitty: 17

Tommy: 16

Michael: 14

Kelly: 12

Sean: 8

Brian: 7

Kath: 4

Pete: Infant



Young Pete



Pete at 12 Years Old

Pete with Dad and Sean

February 1968



Pete with Mom, Kitty, Reilly Kids

Christmas- Kitty, Pete, Kath, Mom, Kitty's Kids Kathleen, Brian, and Sean
Bangor Drive



Pete with Sean, Kathleen, Brian



Kitty & Buddy, Mom & Dad, Pete, Tom & Barbara, Reilly Kids, Tim (Tom's kid)



Pete at Family Weddings

Kelly & Paula's Wedding, 1967



Pete & Kathleen were in Kelly & Paula's wedding party, September 1967.



Kath & Paul's Wedding



Pete & Sean about 1985

Kelly & Paula's house, Philadelphia



*Pete with Kath & Paul's Kids at
Kath's House – about 1987*



Pete & Paul working on Kid's Playhouse – about 1987



Pete's Sons: Corey & Sean

1983



1987



Pete & Carmen

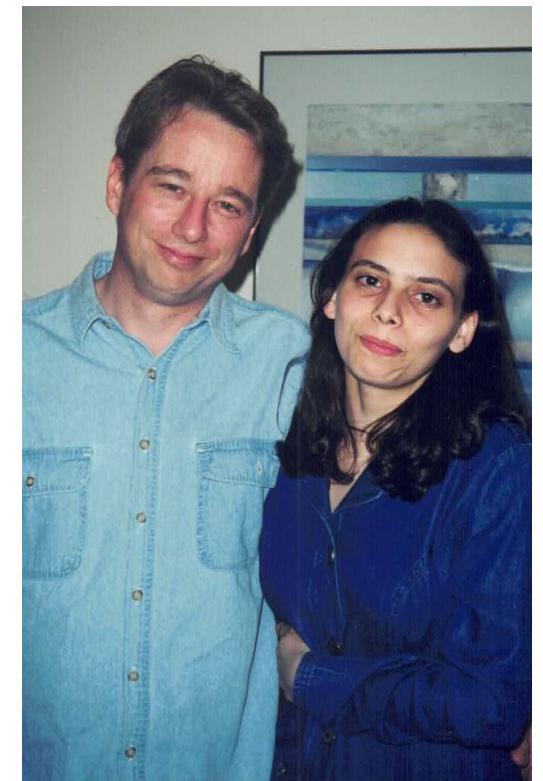
1990 @ Tuscon Cantina where Pete & Carmen Met



Mid 1990s

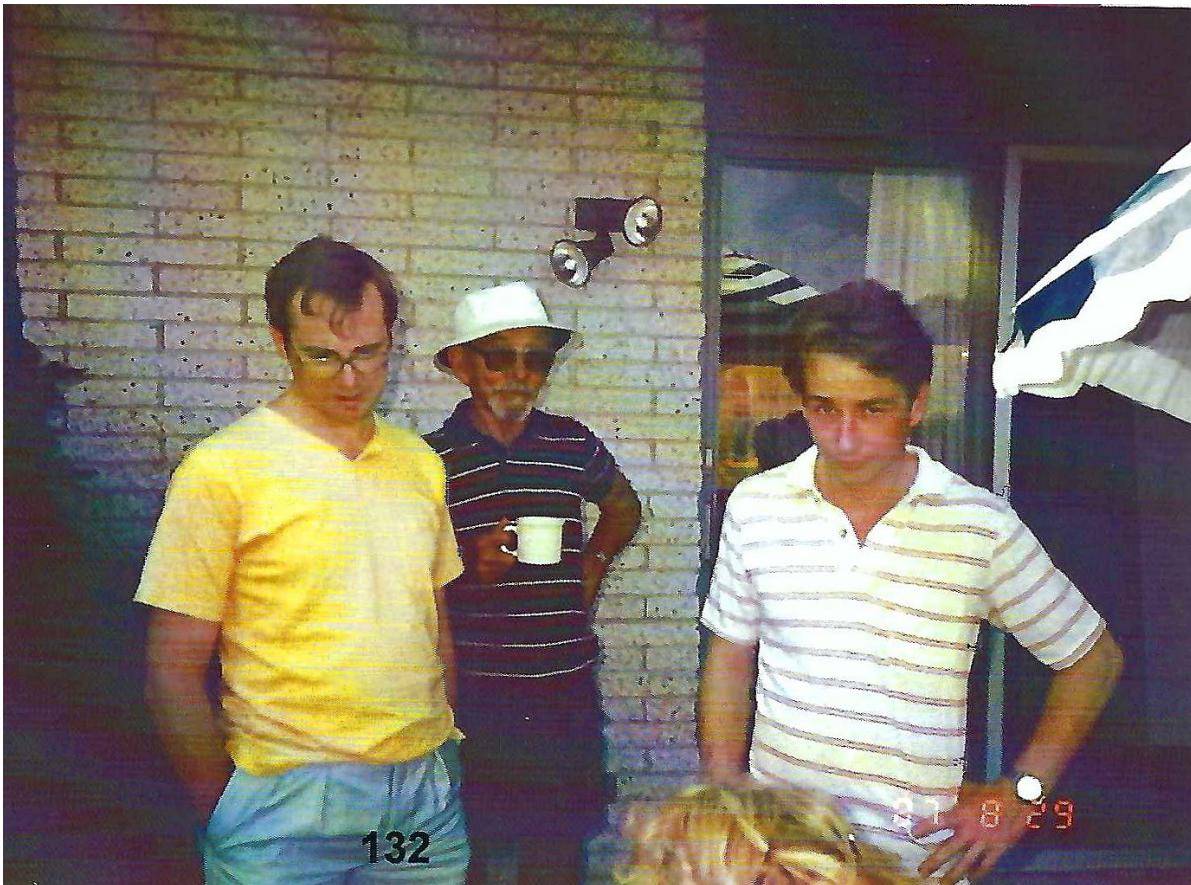


Late 1990s



Pete visiting family

Pete with Dad, Kelly at Kath's house



Pete with Dad, Sean, Linda, Jeremy, Paula at Kelly & Paula's House in Massachusetts, about 1990



Pete's Irish Roots – Kelly, Considine, O'Dea Families

Maternal Grandparents:

Thomas Kelly – Ruan

- Born 1886
- Immigrated in 1907 (age 21).

Margaret Considine – Corofin

- Born 1889
- Came through Ellis Island 1905 (age 16)

Kelly Family Grave
Ruan Cemetery,
County Clare



Paternal Ancestry:
Dysert O'Dea Castle, an Irish fortified tower house that was a stronghold for the O'Dea clan. It's located about 3 miles from Corofin, County Clare.

Ireland



Pete's September 2022 Trip to Ireland & England With Carmen, Sean, Abi, Elizabeth, Peter

Cliffs of Moher, County Clare



Sean, Abi, Elizabeth, Carmen, Pete



Pete at Kelly family grave
Ruan Co Clare

Corofin, Co Clare, former Power Family Home



Elizabeth, Abi, Pete, Sean, Carmen,

O'Dea Dysert Castle



Pete, Sean



Pete and Sean
at Tower of London

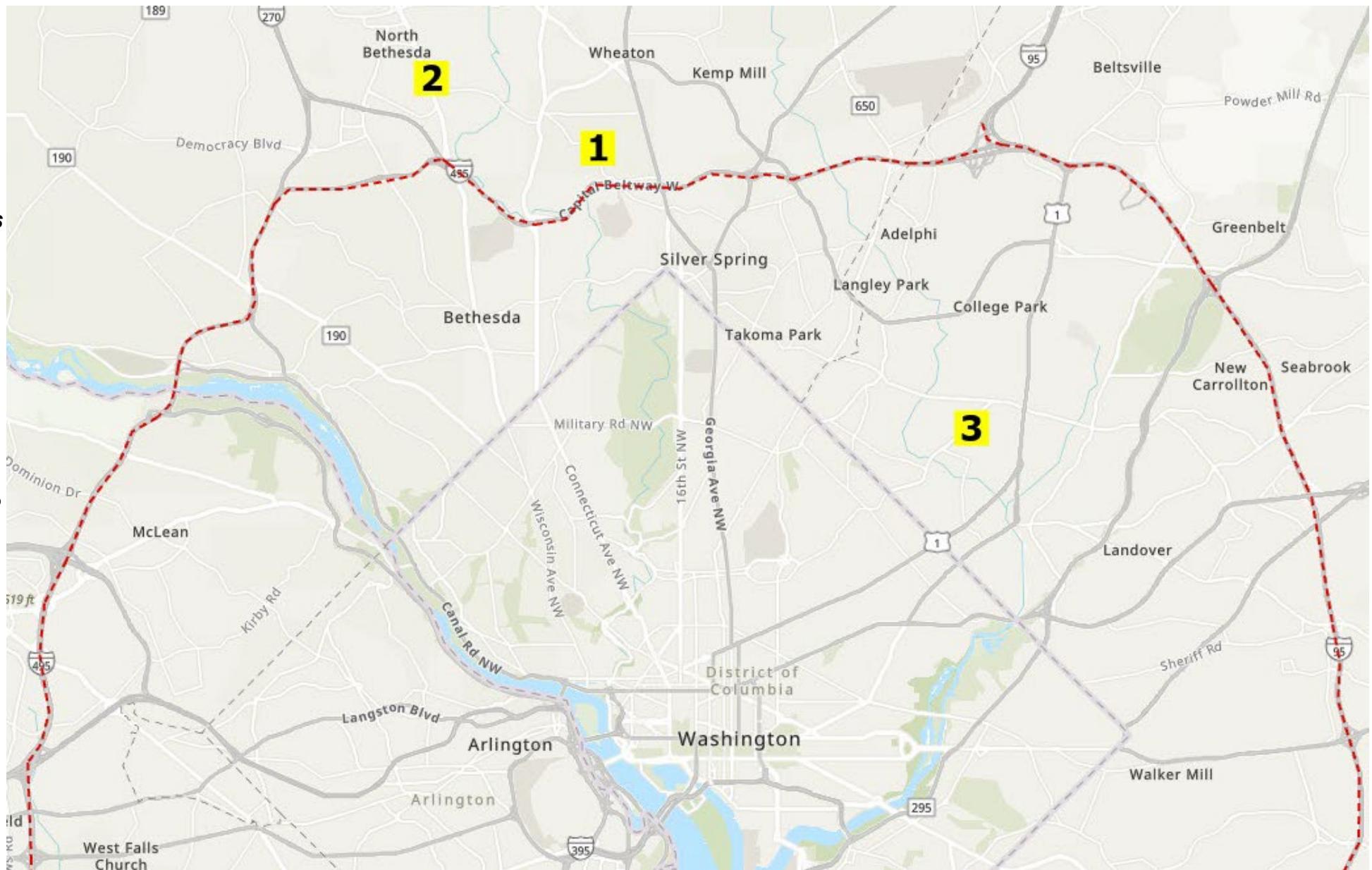
Pete lived in Maryland most of his life.

Pete's Maryland Homes

1. Grant Ave: 1956 - 1968

2. Bangor Drive: 1969 - 1980

3. Nicholson Ave: 2000 - 2025

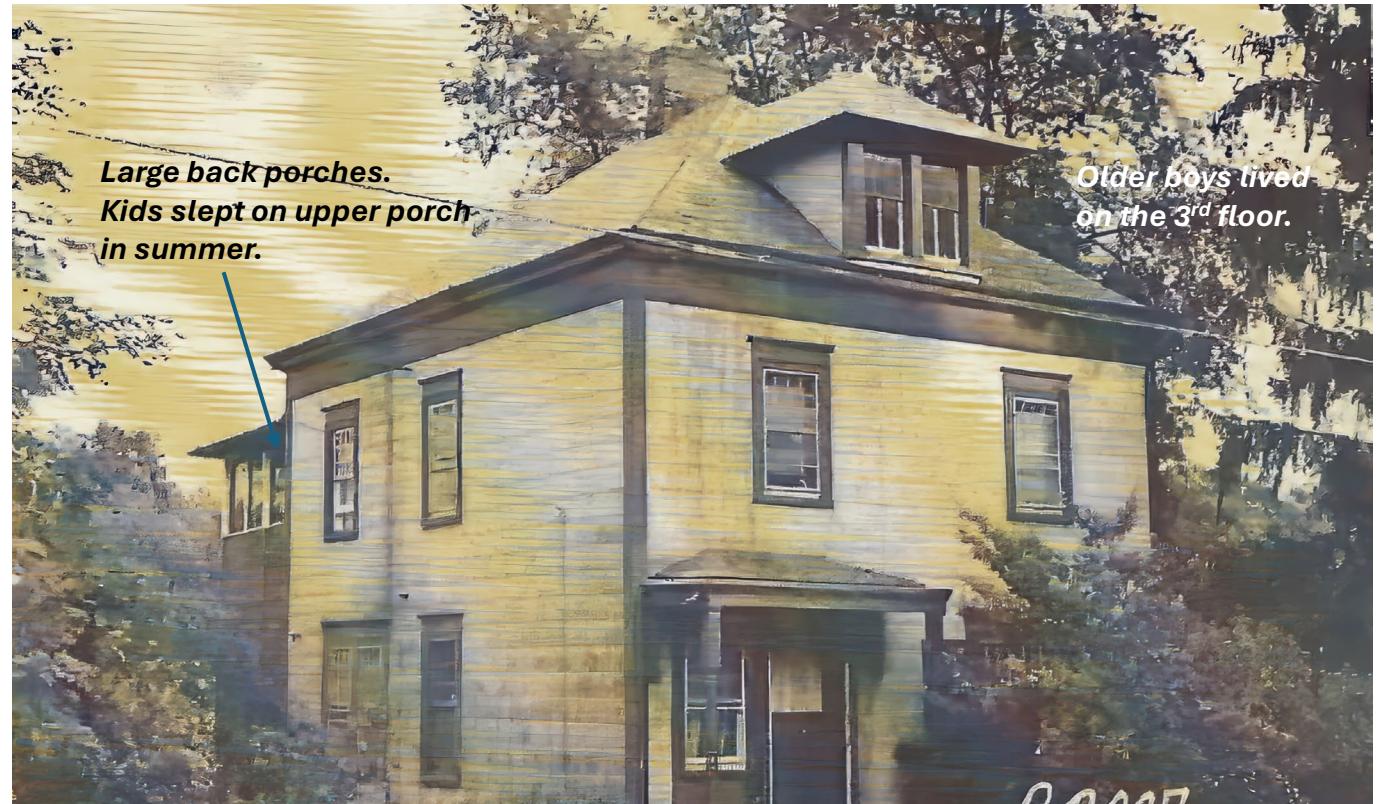
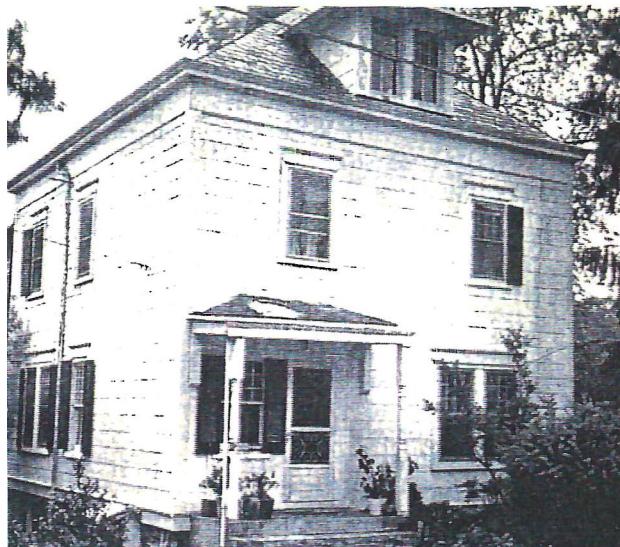


O'Day's Home on Grant Ave, Silver Spring, Md.

O'Day Family moved from Brewster, Massachusetts to Capital View part of Silver Spring Md in 1952. The house at 10109 Grant Ave was large with 2 big porches in the rear. Just right for 7 kids and then 8 when Pete came along in 1956.

This house and neighborhood were great placed for kids to grow up and play all day in the summer.

The O'Days lived in this house until about 1968.



Pete & Carmen's 1st House

6211 41st Place, Hyattsville Md. Purchased 1998



Pete & Carmen's Hyattsville, Maryland House



Carmen in Aerial Room built by Pete



Pete & Carmen's First Kittens

Davis & Sadie, about 1995



Pete & Carmen's Wedding: October 25, 2002

9:45, October 25, 2002 O DAY / PARCELLI

MARRIAGE CEREMONY

We are gathered here in the presence of these witnesses to join this man and this woman together in matrimony. The contract of marriage is a most solemn one and not to be entered into lightly, but thoughtfully and seriously and with a deep realization of its obligations and responsibilities, as well as its joys and rewards.

PETER, will you take CARMEN here present, for your lawful wife?

Answer: I will.

CARMEN, will you take PETER here present, for your lawful husband?

Answer: I will.

Bride and Groom will join hands.

Groom:

Repeat after me... I, PETER, take you, CARMEN, for my lawful wife, to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, for as long as we both shall live.

Bride:

Repeat after me... I, CARMEN, take you, PETER, for my lawful husband, to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, for as long as we both shall live.

The wedding ring is a symbol of unity, a circle unbroken, without beginning or end, and for eternity. These rings are a symbol of the vows made here today.

To be repeated by Groom as ring is placed on Bride's finger.

With this ring, I thee wed, and join my life to yours.

To be repeated by Bride as ring is placed on Groom's finger.

With this ring, I thee wed, and join my life to yours.

May the love that you share with us today continue to grow deeper and stronger. Having witnessed your vows of love and faith to each other, by the power and authority vested by law in me as Clerk of the Circuit Court for Montgomery County, Maryland, I now pronounce you husband and wife.



Pete – Early 2000s

Brian, Katie, Pete, Susie, Sean



Pete & Carmen



**Pete at Benihana,
One of his favorite restaurants**

2005, Christine (Carmen's Mother), Carmen, Pete, Elizabeth (Sean's friend) and Sean



 **BENIHANA**

Pete visiting family

Pete & Carmen with Paula & Emma – Philadelphia, June 2022



Pete at Morris Arboretum – Philadelphia, June 2022



Pete at work on his house

Pete in work vest October 2017



Pete working in kitchen – November 2018



Pete the Carpenter - Builder

Pete built an addition to Carmen and his 1911 house that nearly doubled its size.



Pete site preparation – August 2016

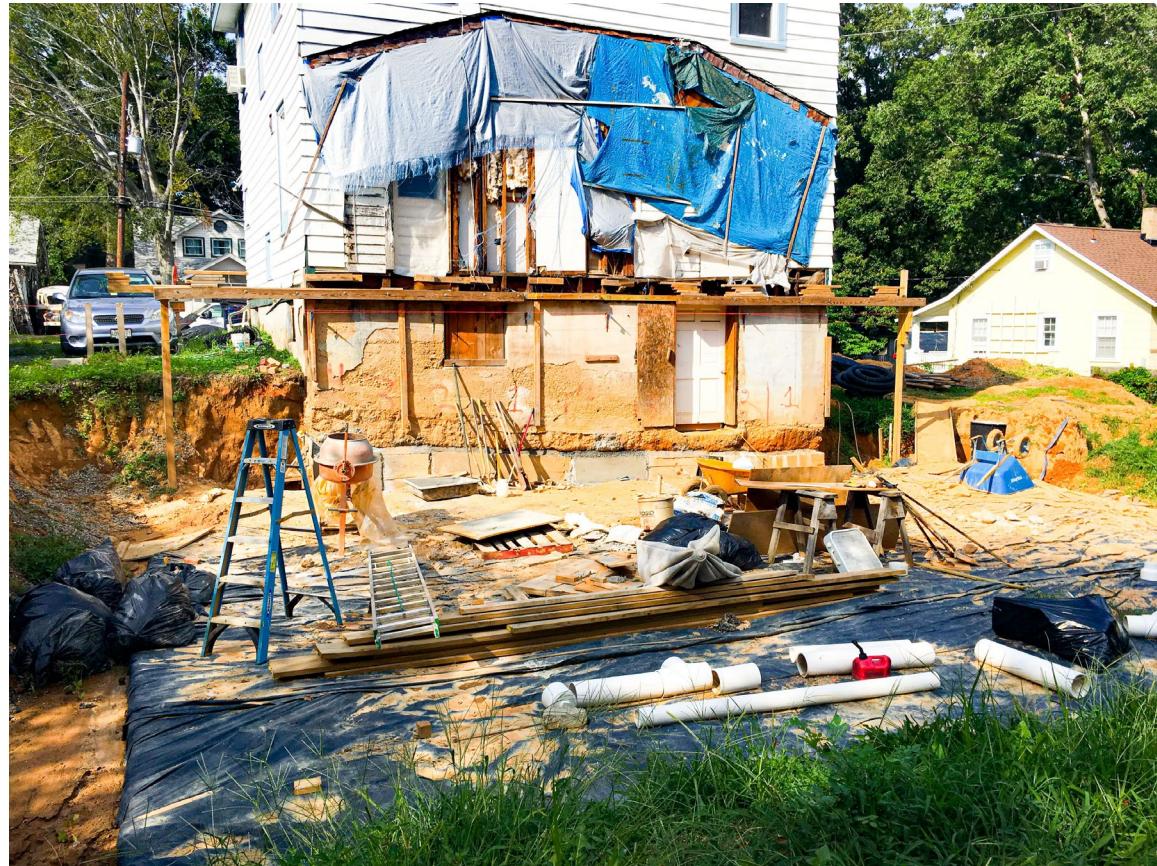


Pete foundation work – August 2017



Pete's addition

Addition beginning – August 2017



Addition – October 2017



Pete's addition

Framing for the addition



Roof for the addition



Pete's Aerial Room taking shape

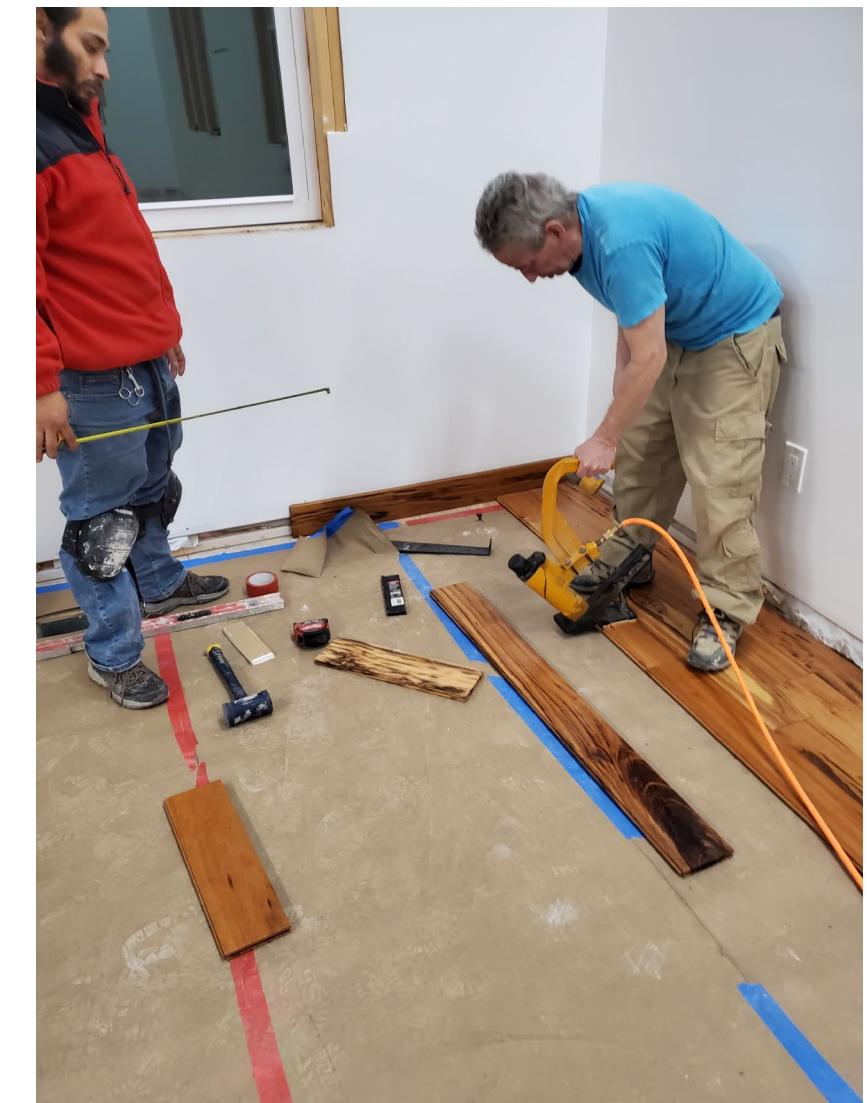
Large beam to support Aerial Room



Aerial Room nearing completion



Pete & Fredy Torres installing flooring



Pete & Carmen's Martial Arts

Pete was a life-long martial arts practitioner and a proud member of the Wudang Longmen lineage (19th generation).

Pete in the Aerial Room



Some of Pete's Martial Arts friends



Pete and Master Liu Xiao Ling, Pete & Carmen's Martial Arts Instructor

Pete practicing with Master Liu, 11/14/2021



Pete and Carmen at Master Liu's house – 2/16/2018



**Pete and Carmen made two trips to China
to attend the Liu He Ba Fa conference**
2014 and 2017

2014

Dongguan (Conference site)
Xian
Beijing
Hong Kong

China

Beijing

Xian

Shanghai

Yellow
Mountains

2017

Shanghai
Yellow Mountains (Conference site)

Dongguan
Hong Kong

Pete's 2014 & 2017 China Trips

Pete's credentials to the 2014 Liu He Ba Fa Conference,
Dongguan, China



Pete demonstrating in 2017 trip at the Yellow Mountains conference site



Pete & Carmen's 2017 China Trip

Pete & Carmen in Shanghai, 2017



Pete in Yellow Mountains, 2017



Pete at Georgetown Hospital – January 2025

Pete emailed this photo to Carmen on January 14th with this "**The king sits on his throne!**" caption. Another example of Pete's sense of humor.



Pete with his dear friends, the Torres Brothers on January 24th.
Jorge, Jose, and Fredy



Pete - A Great Family & Friends Communicator and Unifier

Zoom During COVID

During COVID, Pete organized and ran family and friends' Zoom meetings to help keep everyone connected during that difficult period.

Pete invited all branches of the Considine, Kelly, O'Brien, O'Day, Power, and Reilly families.

siblings, cousins, nieces, nephews and friends joined Pete & Carmen in these calls to help everyone stay connected.

Participants attended from Maryland, Pennsylvania, New York, Michigan, Utah, California, Portland and London.

Facebook

Pete was a prolific Facebook poster, with 3,700 friends and thousands of posts.



An Irish Blessing

*May the road rise to meet you,
may the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
the rains fall soft upon your fields.
And until we meet again,
may God hold you in the palm of his hand.*

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