

Peter Convery, Putnam undersheriff, dies at 65

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Putnam County Sheriff Donald Smith said the department is 'absolutely heartbroken.'



(Photo: Putnam County Sheriff's department)

Putnam County Undersheriff Peter H. Convery died Tuesday at his home in Mahopac.

The cause was an apparent heart attack, Sheriff Donald B. Smith said.

Convery, 65, collapsed about 8:30 a.m. and — despite efforts to revive him — was pronounced dead about an hour later at Putnam Hospital Center, Smith said.

“We are all absolutely heartbroken,” said Smith in a statement announcing Convery's death. “Peter was a loving and devoted family man, who adored his wife Luanne and their children Caitlin, Courtney, Kerry, Tara and Connor, and their children's families. And he was a very good friend to me.”

“Peter spent most of his adult life giving of himself in conscientious public service to the community and in volunteer activities for many worthy causes. So many, many people liked Peter and loved Peter and we will all miss him very, very much,” Smith added.

Convery joined the Putnam County Sheriff's Office in 2002, after retiring as a captain from the Westchester County Department of Corrections. His entire law enforcement career spanned over 40 years, Smith said.

Convery also was a longtime member of the Mahopac Volunteer Fire Department, an active Rotarian and a parishioner of St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church in Mahopac.

His funeral arrangements are pending.

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