Robert ‘Pete’ Cahill

Pete grew up in the Erlanger, Kentucky area. He attended St. Henry High School and Villa Madonna College (now Thomas Moore), where he obtained a degree in Business.

As a child, Pete always worked and grew up around golf and Summit Hills Country Club, which had been converted from a farm into a golf course. His father served as its first superintendent, and thus Pete learned his trade the old-fashioned way – hard work and on-site education.

Pete became Superintendent in 1958, taking over from his father. Peter was married in 1963 to his wife Jinny, and they had 4 children, 2 sons - Mark and Kevin, and 2 daughters - Mary and Amy. He remained Superintendent until 1994 at which time his nephew, John Cahill, took over the reins.

Summit Hills Country Club has been maintained, groomed, and changed only under the watchful eyes of the Cahill family. It has never had anyone outside the family as Superintendent, a uniqueness to be proud of.

Pete was very involved with the post-war growth of the Greater Cincinnati Golf Course Superintendents Association and served as our President for 2 years in 1971-72. He was also involved in the formation of the Kentucky Turfgrass Council (KTC) and was a life-tie member. Summit Hills hosted many outings for KTC’s scholarship programs.

Pete was a Class A member of the national association GCSA.

Pete Cahill was elected to the GCGCSA Hall of Fame in 2020.