



## Sherry K. Kalish

June 30, 1956 - June 30, 2016

Seabrook, NH — Sherry Kalish, a long time New Hampshire resident and a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and sister, died on Thursday the 30th of June on her 60th birthday, surrounded by family at her home in Seabrook after a lengthy battle with cancer.

She was born in 1956 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, the daughter of the late William Richard and LaVonne Barbara (Vanourney) Bird. Sherry served her country in the U.S. Navy for 4 years after graduating from Regis High School in Cedar Rapids. She left the Navy in 1979 to start a family.

Sherry was a teacher of hairdressing for many years before working for the town of Merrimack, NH Parks and Recreation Department. She was committed to serving the town, working on Naticook Summer Day Camp and many sports and outdoors programs for the families in Merrimack. She worked hard, starting out as a secretary and progressing to become the Director of the entire department before retiring in 2013.

She loved spending time with her children and grandchildren, enjoyed cooking, running, going to the beach, and always had a positive energy that could light up the room.

She is survived by her husband, Chester Kalish, her two sons, Kevin Kalish and his wife Gretchen, Matthew Kalish and his wife Ashley, three grandchildren, Summer, Savannah and CJ. three siblings, Penny Meier, Myra Ray, David Bird all of Cedar Rapids, cousins, nieces, nephews and many, many friends.

Private services will be held at the convenience of the family. Donations may be made in Sherry's memory to the National Brain Tumor Society, 55 Chapel Street, Suite 200, Newton, MA 02458. or <http://braintumor.org/>. Arrangements are by the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home-Crematory, Hampton.

# Comments

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“ Deanna Lavoie lit a candle in memory of Sherry K. Kalish



Deanna Lavoie - August 08, 2016 at 01:13 PM

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“ I'm very sorry for the loss of a wonderful lady. Our paths only crossed for about a year as I became involved with the dog park committee. She was welcoming, professional and very sweet. I wish I'd had more time to get to know her better. May you all take comfort in the happy memories as you carry Sherry in your hearts.

Deanna Lavoie - August 08, 2016 at 01:12 PM

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“ Deepest sympathy to Sherry's family. I knew her at Parks and Rec, always a helpful, kind, and sweet lady. Her generosity and enthusiasm were invaluable to the Merrimack community. Always in my thoughts my friend.

Laurie Ludvigsen

Lauren Ludvigsen - July 25, 2016 at 01:06 PM

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“ I am so sorry to hear of the passing of an amazing woman who I am honored to call my friend. She loved everyone and was fearlessly loyal. Rest in God's Peace my sweet friend.



Pattie O'Connell - July 10, 2016 at 03:05 PM

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“ I'm so sorry to hear of Sherry's passing. I was on the Parks and Rec committee for many years and she was always so pleasant and helpful. She was a wonderful woman and I feel privileged to have known her.

**Rosemarie Rung** - July 10, 2016 at 12:21 PM

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“ She used to take her little dog to work sometimes, Sam. We used to have a short chat while our dogs played. A very nice lady. So sorry for your loss.

**Jill Bureau** - July 09, 2016 at 04:43 PM

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“ I knew Sherry when she was the Director of the Merrimack Parks & Rec Dept. Sherry was always such a delight to work with, always smiling, always helpful, always cooperative and fun. Our prayers are with her family during this painful time.

**Debra Huffman** - July 09, 2016 at 01:16 PM

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“ Working with Sherry at the Parks and Rec Dept were some of the best memories I have! Sherry made Naticook Day Camp a very special place for many children to spend the summer. She put her heart and soul into every program we offered. I loved every minute working with her! She taught me so many things the 6 years I was with her. She was a wonderful lady with a great heart! I will miss her always! My heart goes out to everyone in her family. You will be in my thoughts and prayers.

**Kelly Valluzzi** - July 09, 2016 at 08:05 AM

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“ Sherry was one of the finest ladies I have known; truly first-class. I am so very sorry to hear this news. I am praying for the comfort of your family, Sherry, and that you may rest in peace. God bless. - Bill Cummings



**Bill Cummings** - July 08, 2016 at 03:36 PM

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“ Sherry worked hard to make Camp Naticook a great success. A camper's scholarship has been donated in her honor.  
Chris Christensen

Chris Christensen - July 08, 2016 at 02:36 PM

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“ Thoughts and prayers to the Kalish family, I'm so sorry to hear of Sherry's passing! Sherry and I had quite an adventure working at camp together, and I've thought of her often over the years. She was such a kind, caring and patient person and she will be missed! Deb M.

Deb Matson - July 08, 2016 at 02:08 PM

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“ I enjoyed working with Sherry at Parks & Rec in Merrimack for many events over the years. She was always full of energy and ready with a smile. So sorry to hear of her passing.

Holly Morales - July 08, 2016 at 01:53 PM

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“ I was so sad to see the obituary of Sherry's passing. She was a wonder to work with and so devoted to everything that she did. My thoughts and prayers to her family.

Pat Murphy - July 08, 2016 at 01:47 PM

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“ So sorry to hear of Sherry's passing. She was such a sweet lady. My sympathy and prayers to her family.  
Janet Angus  
Merrimack, NH

Janet Angus - July 08, 2016 at 12:53 PM

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“ To the Kalish family

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time.

Matt & Chris Davis  
Milford, NH



**Matt Davis** - July 05, 2016 at 01:05 PM

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“ Dear Seabrook Neighbors  
Thoughts and prayers go out the Kalish family. We did not have an opportunity to know her well but her smile will be remembered forever.  
Always,  
Joanne & Lisa

**Lisa Kattar** - July 02, 2016 at 07:07 PM

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“ Dear Kalish Family, Please know we offer our most sincere condolences to your family.  
May you find peace in her life.  
Love,  
Michelle and Phil Lemire

**Philip Lemire** - July 01, 2016 at 04:48 PM