



Carolyn P. McAdams

January 11, 1955 - March 11, 2020

Rye – Carolyn Patricia McAdams, 65, of Rye, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at Massachusetts General Hospital after a sudden illness. Her family was at her bedside.

Born in Waltham, MA on January 11, 1955, Carolyn was the daughter of the late Donald G. Jones and Patricia R. (Murray) Beatrice. She and her husband, James A. McAdams of Rye, shared over 22 years of marriage together.

Carolyn was raised in Massachusetts and graduated from high school in Lexington. She earned her Bachelor's Degree in Education from Boston University and then pursued her passion for aviation. She retired in January of this year after more than 30 years flying for United Airlines. Before her retirement, Carolyn was flying the 777 and 787 aircraft on United's international routes.

She was a very athletic lady and loved playing tennis as a member at Abenaqui and the Seacoast Tennis Club. Carolyn was not one to sit idle for very long, she was very active and always doing something. She particularly enjoyed cooking and sewing and caring for her family, reading and the beach.

In addition to her beloved Jim, Carolyn is survived by her daughter, Christine McAdams of Portsmouth, her son, Jay McAdams and his wife, Haley, of

Gorham, ME, her grandchildren, Quinn, Braeden and Sawyer and her step-mother, Mary Jones of Billerica, MA. She also leaves her sister, Jennifer Maughan and her husband, Clark, of Moab, UT, her brothers, Donald Jones and his wife, Carol, of Boxborough, MA, Timothy Jones of Freemont, NH and Glen Jones of Goffstown, NH, as well as several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Visitation and Mass are now PRIVATE due to the Coronavirus situation. You can watch the mass live stream starting at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, March 17, 2019 by clicking here (<https://www.sainttheresachurchrye.org/live-streaming>).

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial donations may be made to Mass General Hospital, Department of Neurology. <http://giving.massgeneral.org/donate/>.

Cemetery Details

Central Cemetery

20 Central Road
Rye, NH

Tribute Wall



“ *Carolyn P. McAdams*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *Carolyn & I were in new hire class at UAL, 10 July 1989. We had many memories with other classmate during school. While flying the 777 we would frequently see each other in some part of the world & chat about our lives.*

My condolences to Jim & her extended family. Carolyn always loved being in the sky, she is now there & will be looking over all of us.

"To fly west, my friend, is a flight we all must take for a final check"

Larry Fuerst

Retired 777 pilot UAL

Larry Fuerst - April 08, 2020 at 02:28 PM



“ *Dear Jim and family,*

I want to send my condolences to you and your family. I had the pleasure of working

with Carolyn many times over the last twelve years. Carolyn was not just a great professional but also a great individual with whom to work. We had many a long conversation about family and life.

Surely now she Reached Out and Touched the Face of GOD.

GODSPEED MY FRIEND

Jerry

Gerard Ricciotti - March 31, 2020 at 08:15 PM

BE

“ Jim, We were so sorry to see the news of Carolyn's passing. We had so many fun times with the boys PHS tennis team back in the day. Carolyn would bake such great items and brought them into the store when she was getting some tennis gear as well.. Her memories will stay with us and wish you the best. Deb & Bert Freedman

Bert - March 28, 2020 at 04:03 PM

SL

“ Joyce and I Met Carolyn and Jim in the Wallstreet Basics Fundamentals classes and over the years since then we shared experiences and have become very fond of them. We always made time for Lunch whenever we attended classes and while Jim and I discusses engineering projects and demystifying some of the science of physics Joyce and Carolyn preferred to engage in the lives of the family members sharing and exchanging photos and stories. Carolyn and I always went for the Guacamole.... since it was always fresh and made to our individual likenesses...and the chips were fresh even though we always had to wait for refills...It was always worth it.

I always sat directly behind Jim and could not help but observe the occasional and seemingly random Carolyn reaching out to hold Jim's hands and exchanging a smile.... sometimes candies....Carolyn was the conduit between Joyce and me exchanging chewing gum...we all had different tastes especially when it came to chewing gums....Carolyn will be missed especially by Joyce with whom a close relationship was established.... Our lives have been enhanced because of our experiences and relationship with her and consequently will be diminished by her separation and departure..Until then when we when the shofar is sounded my friend..

Sherwin&Joyce lake - March 22, 2020 at 03:41 PM

CB

“ *‘For some, the sky is the limit. For others, the sky is HOME!’*

Carolyn was certainly at home in the sky. I got to know her as a flying partner, first in the B777, then in the B787. During those flights, Carolyn became a very dear friend. She talked extensively about her beloved Jim, the children and grandchildren. Carolyn has left us much too soon.

Fair winds and following seas. Godspeed, Carolyn.

Cathy Berdahl - March 18, 2020 at 06:27 PM

PG

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Pam Glass - March 18, 2020 at 09:59 AM

JJ

Thank you for sharing your memories through the wonderful words today!

Jenn Jones - March 18, 2020 at 07:31 PM

JC

“ *I will cherish the many great memories of playing tennis with Carolyn at Abenaqui and Seacoast. Her smile and energy always lit up the court. I would like to offer my sincere condolences to Jim and the entire family.*

Jason Clark - March 18, 2020 at 07:18 AM

CT

“ So sorry to hear this. We met Carolyn in Oklahoma City and my husband was in her class at the FAA Academy. Unfortunately we lost touch after separating from BOS. She was definitely a go-getter and an asset to aviation. Our sympathies and condolences to the family. Sincerely, Cheryl & Joe Tingler

Cheryl Tingler - March 17, 2020 at 06:58 PM

BK

“ Sorry I can't offer my condolences in person. The pictures people have posted are a wonderful memory. My vocabulary is insufficient to improve on what others have said. I can only offer kind thoughts and prayers. Bill Kennedy

Bill Kennedy - March 17, 2020 at 03:48 PM

PB

“ Carolyn, Your smile could light up a room..Dan and I are both so sad to hear this devastating news.. I took this week off to pay my respects but now I see that the visitations are private.. Jim.. please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you during these difficult time.. We are with you in spirit and right down the street if you ever need us.. I bought a beautiful bottle of Bellini to share with her for her retirement celebration.. It stares at me every time I open the fridge.. Some day soon, we'll toast her life with it and smile... All our love and friendship.. Phyllis and Dan..

Phyllis Breitman - March 17, 2020 at 10:29 AM

JM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Jlm McAdams - March 17, 2020 at 10:24 AM

BK

What a beautiful picture!

Bill Kennedy - March 17, 2020 at 03:40 PM

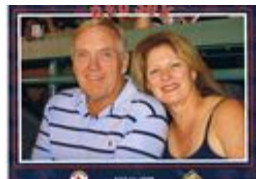
BE

That is a loving tribute.

Bert - March 28, 2020 at 04:04 PM



“ 248 files added to the album LifeTributes



Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - March 17, 2020 at 10:18 AM

GM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Ginny Maloney - March 16, 2020 at 10:14 AM

GM

Feeling grateful for this brief, yet treasured visit ❤️

Ginny Maloney - March 16, 2020 at 10:15 AM

MG

“ *Michael and Karen Grant purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Carolyn P. McAdams.*



Michael and Karen Grant - March 16, 2020 at 09:16 AM

JD

“ To Jim and Family,

We share in this time of grief, but also share in your love and memories of Carolyn.

Meeting on those cold mornings before class, huddled around our hot beverages, listening intently to stories of faraway places Carolyn had just returned from, always made the wait enjoyable and made the time fly by.

She admired life, enjoyed what she did, and especially loved her family.

Carolyn will truly be missed by all and will always remain as close as a beautiful memory!

John and Nancy

John DeRosa - March 15, 2020 at 11:38 PM

BJ

“ To Jim and Family;

We are so very saddened to hear of the loss of Carolyn. We were blessed to have known you and Carolyn together for the past 22 years, and Carolyn since the early 1970's in Lexington. She was a wonderful, caring person, especially to our parents, William and the late Christine Glass, and a true "member" of our family. May her memory be eternal.

Bill Glass Jr. and Family, Wilton, CT

Bill Glass Jr. - March 15, 2020 at 01:29 PM

JA

“ *Jim and family,*

I shared this remembrance with our Aunt Linda that Caroline was so close to. I recall Caroline telling me that (single days Jim) she had installed a toilet herself. Not being that type, I marveled. Seriously, that a woman can fly and install a toilet is beyond...

Rest in peace.

Cousin Jan and family

Jan - March 14, 2020 at 10:48 PM



“ *Carolyn was a very sweet person. As a fellow aviatrix she made me proud. Sending love to her family.*

Kelly Davies - March 14, 2020 at 10:40 PM

SN

“ *So sorry to hear. I had the good fortune to fly the 787 with Carolyn over the past 2 years. Always enjoyed our Beijing trips. Steve Nemeth*

steve nemeth - March 14, 2020 at 07:28 PM

 John
Roe

“ *Jim - you have my deepest sympathies. I'll remember Carolyn from ridiculously early mornings before class in Rocky Mount; we kept each other awake waiting to get into the auditorium! She was always able to find a way into the building somehow...*

John

John Roe - March 14, 2020 at 02:33 PM

AN

“ *Jim and Family,
I am so sorry for the loss of Carolyn. She was a beautiful person inside and out. I last saw her in Tokyo when we were both on a layover for United. I joined her for breakfast and we talked for hours. She was a gem.
In Sympathy,
Anne M. Worster*

anne.worster@united.com - March 14, 2020 at 02:14 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Carolyn P. McAdams.*



March 14, 2020 at 02:04 PM

GW

“ *Garland Weaver purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Carolyn P. McAdams.*



Garland Weaver - March 14, 2020 at 10:36 AM

LL

“ Let us all take a page out of Carolyn’s playbook and learn to fly high, follow your dreams, and reach for the stars. Carolyn, you will be sorely missed, my friend. Thank you for all of the wonderful hours together, the long talks and loyal patronage.

My most sincere condolences to you, Jim. The two of you had something very special and boy, did it show. Christine, Jay & family, and each one of her family members, my heart goes out to you all.

Laura Lavoie - March 13, 2020 at 06:33 PM

MG

“ Jim and family - I am so sorry for the loss of Carolyn. We graduated from Lexington High and also worked together at United. She was such a happy, upbeat and very hard working professional pilot. She was a fellow Boston to Washington commuter, and we flew many trips on the 777 together to Asia and Europe. My coworkers and I are all saddened by her passing.

Michael T. Grant

Michael T Grant - March 13, 2020 at 04:03 PM

LC

“ Dear Jim, Christine and Jay, our hearts are so heavy with Carolyn’s passing. She was such an amazing woman who loved with all her being especially you three and the grandkids. I will miss her smiling face, encouragement and friendship. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Love, John and Laura Cannon

Laura Cannon - March 13, 2020 at 01:56 PM

NM

“ *She was an extraordinary woman. I knew her only from our wellness class meeting but admired her greatly. Godspeed, Carolyn.*

nancy monaghan - March 13, 2020 at 12:29 PM

RO

“ *Carolyn started doing (tennis) stroke development clinics with Chum at the club, and I was fortunate enough to share some of those sessions with her. She made everything fun, and there was joy in each session as her skills improved, as she was "getting back" into tennis after retiring from United. We will miss her contagious smile, her constant upbeat presence, and her natural grace, but most of all, Carolyn.*

Ron Ouellette

Ron Ouellette - March 13, 2020 at 11:34 AM

VM

“ *I know you all must feel like your hearts are broken, but along with great love comes resiliency... there cannot be one without the other. Resiliency cradles the heart, strengthens the soul, raises spirits and fosters wholeness.*

May tears bath your spirits, memories wrap you in joy and great love for Carolyn raise you to peaceful soaring heights where she spent so many of her days.

*Prayers for resiliency,
Ginny Maloney*

virginia Maloney - March 13, 2020 at 10:02 AM

CT

“ I was fortunate to meet Carolyn years ago on one of her many trips to Rocky Mount, NC for class. From the first time my NC Friends and I met Carolyn...we were all fast friends. Carolyn made an impression... from the first time we met it was clear she was something special. Waiting for class, we got to "visit" ...we learned a lot about each other. We shared many stories about our families, work, adventures and our plans for the futureall while eating our breakfast and "waiting in line". Lucky for me ...we spent many hours visiting with Carolyn before class and going to have our favorite Mexican guacamole for lunch.

During our visits Carolyn was always ready with the latest pictures of her adventures with her beloved Jim and of her beautiful family.. especially the grand kids.

I will remember Carolyn's love for Jim and her family....her friendliness, her kindness, her encouragement and her sheer enthusiasm that impacted everyone around her.

Sending my deepest sympathy to her beloved Jim and all of her family.

Cristina

Cristina Trevino - March 13, 2020 at 01:05 AM

AD

“ Dear Jim, Christine and Jay, I'm so very sorry to read of Carolyn's death and offer you my sincerest sympathy. Please know that I'm thinking of you all with much sympathy, prayers, and love. Angie DuDeVoire

Angela (Angie) DuDeVoire - March 12, 2020 at 11:15 PM

DP

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I was a childhood friend of Carolyn’s when she lived in Wakefield, Ma. I was able to reconnect with her when she ran into my sister who lives in New Hampshire, and phone numbers were exchanged. I currently live in Louisiana, grateful that we were able to reconnect through phone and Facebook the last couple of years. Sincerely, Donna Pacillo

Donna Pacillo - March 12, 2020 at 05:53 PM



Michael Hilliard

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Michael Hilliard - March 12, 2020 at 04:59 PM

NK

“ Jim and family---This is truly a shock for us and so very sad for you and the family. I saw Carolyn at McKinnon's in late Fall and she said she was going to retire. We do know that she was someone who did many things in her life and so enjoyed them! She will be missed! Please accept our condolences. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all Joe and Nancy Kennedy

Nancy Kennedy - March 12, 2020 at 11:17 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Carolyn P. McAdams.



March 12, 2020 at 10:28 AM