



Dawn Foss Emerick

September 15, 1947 - October 15, 2023

Hampton - Dawn Foss Emerick, a beacon of love, grace, and strength, graced this world with her unwavering dedication to her family, community, and faith. She was born on September 15, 1947, in Battle Creek, Michigan, to her proud parents, Lt. Colonel Donald Livingston Foss and Myrtle Gertrude Holmgren. She was diagnosed with juvenile diabetes as an adolescent, which fueled her dedication to the medical field and showcased her nurturing and caring nature, embodying her desire to help and comfort those in need. Dawn graduated from Littleton High School in Littleton, MA, and Fisher College in Boston, MA, where she pursued her passion for healthcare by training as a Medical Assistant.

On August 25, 1968, Dawn exchanged vows and began a journey of love and togetherness with James Tracy Emerick. Their love carried them through various adventures, including living in different parts of the United States and Germany, where they resided for three years, experiencing the world together. Their adventures continued as they lived in Littleton, MA, East Brunswick, and Hillsdale, NJ, before settling in Hampton, NH, in 1979.

Dawn, alongside her loving husband, co-owned and operated Taurus Direct Marketing for 24 years. Dawn was instrumental in the company's success as the director of client services and production, always striving for excellence and building lasting relationships with clients.

Dawn's faith and compassion extended beyond her family into her community. She was an active member of the First Congregational Church of Hampton, NH, where she served as Senior Deacon and President of the Women's Guild. Dawn was instrumental in the church's outreach efforts, particularly the holiday food basket program, "God's Baby Closet," and the annual Jingle Bell Fair, dedicating her time and effort to bring these programs to the seacoast community and demonstrating her immense compassion and desire to help those in need. Her caring nature and organizational skills made these efforts into cherished traditions, bringing happiness to many.

Dawn dedicated over 15 years as the Board Chairperson for Seacoast Youth Services. Her unwavering commitment to youth and her community reflected her belief in shaping a better future for the younger generation. Her guidance, mentorship, and care were pivotal in helping countless young lives thrive.

Dawn's love knew no bounds, and her generous spirit touched the lives of many. She will be remembered for her kindness, her laughter, and the love she spread wherever she went. Her legacy lives on through her children and their spouses, Donald Clayton Emerick and Tracey Emerick Boies and Heather Ahlburn Emerick and David William Boies, her grandchildren, and the countless lives she touched with her love and compassion.

Among her most cherished roles was that of a beloved grandmother, affectionately known as "Mimi." David William Boies Jr., Taylor Ellen Boies, Winifred Claire Emerick, Charlotte Hope Emerick, and Phoebe Bliss Emerick—these grandchildren were her pride and joy. "Mimi" celebrated their accomplishments, offered guidance, and showered them with love and affection, leaving an indelible mark on their hearts.

Dawn is survived by her brother, Paul Foss of Templeton, MA, who held a

special place in her heart.

A memorial service to honor and celebrate the life of Dawn Foss Emerick will be held on December 16 at 10 a.m. at the First Congregational Church of Hampton. Friends and family are invited to join us in commemorating the beautiful soul that she was and bidding her a fond farewell.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations in her memory to "God's Baby Closet" at the First Congregational Church of Hampton or the American Diabetes Association, causes close to Dawn's heart.

May Dawn's soul find eternal peace, and may her memory bless all fortunate to know her. She will forever remain alive in our hearts and memories. Rest in peace, dear Dawn Foss Emerick. You will be deeply missed, but your love and legacy will endure in our lives forever.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

DEC 16. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Congregational Church
127 Winnacunnet Road
Hampton, NH 03842

Tribute Wall

Lynne Ober

“ *My husband and I only met Dawn once, at a dinner with her husband, Tracy. She was a lovely and engaging dinner companion and we greatly enjoyed the company of both Dawn and Tracy. Rest in peace, Dawn*

Lynne Ober - December 16, 2023 at 09:00 AM

VM

“ *Dawn was a good friend who would always listen and never judge. She was a great friend, fellow Deacon and co-founder with me of Seacoast Youth Services. They say the purpose of life is to discover your gift. And the meaning of life is to give your gift away. You did both Dawn! Your passion to help those who might otherwise continue to struggle will continue after your passing. Prayers of comfort to the Emerick Family.*
Vic and Sue

Vic Maloney - October 22, 2023 at 06:11 PM

JS

“ *Tracey, Don, Tracey Ellen and family,*
Your loss is shared with all who had the privilege to know Dawn. May your memories help you through this difficult time and the knowledge of how many lives she touched and helped bring you comfort. She was, indeed, a beacon of love, grace and strength. You are in my thoughts and prayers.
Joyce Sharples

Joyce Sharples - October 20, 2023 at 08:38 AM

PD

“ I’m so sorry to hear of Dawn’s passing.
My sympathies to the family.
Dawn was always a pleasant and pleasing woman. I was on the board of directors of youth services, many years ago and Dawn was a very important part of the Team.
Grateful to have known her and her family members. I’m sure you are at peace now and your spirit will be remembered.
Peg Duffin

Peg Duffin - October 19, 2023 at 09:04 PM

KF

“ My dear friend.... thank you for always listening and sharing your thoughtful advice. All of our talks, all the laughing and fun stories will stay in my heart. Until we meet again. Godspeed.

Kimberly Fraser - October 19, 2023 at 09:24 AM

KP

“ Dawn was always a beacon of love, light and hope and a true inspiration to us all. She will remain forever in our hearts and will be missed. We feel so blessed that she was part of our lives. Our sincere condolences to Tracey, Don, Tracy Ellen and family. Love and hugs to all of you.
Kate, Steve, Mike and Sarah Portrie

Kate Portrie - October 19, 2023 at 07:55 AM



“ Dawn, we shared so much of lives with each other over the years. You were such a wonderful and generous friend, always asking about the kids and grandkids. I remember so many Christmas eves, all of us sharing and enjoying the holidays. And 9-11, oh my god, such a scary day. You will be missed always. Love, Linda and John (George)

Linda George - October 18, 2023 at 05:00 PM

RR

Tracy, I am in a state of shock. Where have all of our friends from school. I think you will remember that Dawn and I were very close. I can't find the words to express how I feel at this moment. I came across her obituary quite by chance. I hope you found some peace since her passing. She meant alot to me. I will be thinking of her. Peace be with you and your family.
Ron Rakip (School mate and neighbor but most of all very close friend from Littleton).

Ron Rakip - February 12, 2024 at 04:36 PM