



## Gail Chencus

April 1, 1943 - March 9, 2023

Hampton – Gail (Gurczak) Chencus, 79, of Hampton, passed away peacefully on Thursday, March 9, 2023, after a brief illness. Gail was born in Newburyport, Massachusetts, on April 1, 1943, a daughter of the late Stephen and Helen (Lachowicz) Gurczak. She shared over 53 years of marriage with her beloved husband and best friend, Joseph M. Chencus.

Gail was raised in Newburyport and graduated from Newburyport High with the Class of 1960. She went on to earn her Bachelor's Degree in Education from Boston College and upon graduation in 1964, took a position teaching Sixth Grade at Hampton Academy Junior High. While at Hampton Academy, Gail met fellow teacher Joe Chencus and they fell in love. Gail and Joe were married in 1969 and settled in Hampton. Gail retired from full-time teaching in 1970 and after a short break, continued on at Hampton Academy as a substitute teacher until 2004. Gail and Joe raised their two daughters, Kendra and Kristen, at their home at the beach. Gail loved the ocean and also enjoyed crocheting, gardening, and traveling (which may have included an occasional trip to the casino).

Left to cherish her memory are Joe, Kendra Chencus and her husband, Kurt F. Somerville of Wellesley, Massachusetts, and their daughter, Kate K. Somerville, as well as extended family members and many dear friends.

In addition to her parents, Gail was predeceased by her daughter Kristen Chencus and her sister, Donna Whelan.

Friends may visit from 11 am to 12 pm on Thursday, March 16, 2023, in the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home, 811 Lafayette Road, Hampton. Services will follow the visitation starting at 12 pm in the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, donations in Gail's memory may be made to the Kristen Chencus Memorial Fund at Jemicy School, at <https://jemicy.school.givingfuel.com/jemef>, or by check made out to Jemicy School with "Kristen's Fund" in the memo line, and mailed to 11 Celadon Road, Owings Mills, MD 21117. Kristen's Fund was established by Gail and her family in 2009 after Kristen's death, as a way to honor Kristen's dedication to her students and colleagues at Jemicy School, where Kristen taught for many years. The fund is a financial aid endowment fund that supports the tuition needs of deserving students.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 16. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - Crematory  
811 Lafayette Road ·  
Hampton, NH 03842  
(603) 926-6500  
info@remickgendron.com  
<https://www.RemickGendron.com/>

## Memorial Service

MAR 16. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

PC

“ Joe, just read the BC news and discovered Gail's passing. Shocked ....I had no idea she was not well. I am so sorry for your loss and my losing someone always dear in my heart. All those beautiful memories ..... may they be some comfort. Please be well. Hugs.  
Patty Yauckoes Connor

Patricia A Connor - June 19, 2023 at 02:49 PM

AL

“ Joe, Laurie and I are so sorry to hear of Gail's passing. She was such a wonderful person with a fabulous smile and always made us laugh. Brings back great memories of working at HAJH. Our Thoughts and Prayers are with you and your family.

Alan Lajoie - March 17, 2023 at 08:28 AM

ED

“ Ellen Wilbur DeCosta lit a candle in memory of Gail Chencus



Ellen Wilbur DeCosta - March 17, 2023 at 06:25 AM

ED

“ Mr. Chencus,  
So sorry for the loss of Mrs. Chencus. She was one of my favorite teachers when I attended Hampton Academy. I use to see her quite often in the grocery store and have nice discussions. God Bless

Ellen Wilbur DeCosta - March 14, 2023 at 06:00 AM

LG

“ Joe,  
My heart is filled with sadness to hear of Gail's passing. You two hold such a special place there. I loved listening to Gail's "short" stories over the last 20 years at BG's and Logan's. Praying for God's peace during this difficult time.  
Love,  
Linda

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**Linda Graves** - March 13, 2023 at 06:01 PM

JS

“ Joe, I'm so sorry to read of Gail's passing, please know you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.  
Gail was such a positive person and in remembering her, I remember her laugh. She enjoyed life and shared her positivity with all. She will be missed by all who had the privilege to meet her.

Joyce Sharples

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**Joyce Sharples** - March 13, 2023 at 04:11 PM

DS

“ Joe , so sorry to hear of Gail's passing. She was my best sub ever!!  
Fond  
memories and may she RIP.  
My condolences to you and family.  
Debbie Sullivan

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**Deborah Sullivan** - March 12, 2023 at 07:12 PM

BM

Dear Joe, Kendra and family,  
I was so saddened to learn of Gail's passing. My thoughts and sympathy go out to all of you.  
Sincerely, Barbara Martin

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**Barbara Martin** - March 12, 2023 at 07:37 PM

MC

*Dear Joe,*

*We are so sorry to hear of Gail's illness and untimely passing. Please accept our heartfelt sympathies to you and your family. We always enjoyed seeing you two and our chats at Logan's on Fridays.*

*Warm regards, Dave & Mary Conant*

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**Mary Conant** - March 13, 2023 at 12:41 PM

NT

“ *Joe, so sorry to hear of Gail's passing. Such a lively, happy woman. Always with a laugh. One of Larry's favorite teachers. Nancy (Carroll) Tuttle and Larry Tuttle*

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**Nancy Tuttle** - March 12, 2023 at 06:51 AM

MB

“ *Gail was always so enthusiastic, friendly and welcoming to everyone. I treasure the times we spent together. She will be greatly missed and may her memory be a blessing to all her family and friends. Bonnie (Malvey) Burns and family*

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**Maureen Burns** - March 11, 2023 at 03:49 PM