



## Margaret L. Connolly

September 6, 1959 - March 30, 2016

Hampton – Margaret Lacey Connolly, 56, of Hampton, died peacefully, Wednesday, March 30, 2016 at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston after a long battle with cancer.

She was born September 6, 1959, a daughter of the late John Edward and Carolyn Ella (Kennedy) Lacey.

Her most fulfilling work was done as an event director with Global Citizens Circle, a non-profit organization that aimed to foster constructive change in the global community by assembling diverse groups of concerned individuals - from world leaders to local activists - for challenging discussion to stimulate meaningful and enduring resolution of the world's pressing concerns. During the last ten years she was employed as the executive assistant to the CEO of Pax World Mutual Funds in Portsmouth.

She made Hampton her home for more than 30 years after coming from Oswego, NY, where she was born and raised. She was an avid gardener and enjoyed reading, cooking, and baking.

She was predeceased by her husband, Matthew Connolly in 2000.

She leaves her two children, Aaron Matthew Connolly and Caroline Margaret

Connolly both of Hampton, two sisters, Brenda Lacey Winchek of Oswego, NY and Sharon Lacey Kirk of Kirkville, NY, several nieces and nephews, and her faithful canine friend Chester.

Visiting hours will be from 5-8 P.M. Thursday, April, 7, 2016 at the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home-Crematory, 811 Lafayette Road, Hampton. Services will be at 11 A.M. Friday, April 8, 2016 at the United Methodist Church, 525 Lafayette Road, Hampton. A private burial will follow in the High Street Cemetery, Hampton. In lieu of flowers the family hopes you might plant something in your own garden to remember Margaret as you watch it grow. Also, the family suggests donations to the Margaret Connolly Trust at Piscataqua Savings Bank, 15 Pleasant St, Portsmouth, NH, 03801, or to the American Lung Association | Donation Processing Center | PO Box 7000 | Albert Lea, MN 56007-8001 [www.lung.org](http://www.lung.org).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 7. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Celebration of Life

APR 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

Hampton United Methodist Church  
525 Lafayette Road  
Hampton, NH

# Tribute Wall



“ *Margaret L. Connolly*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *Dear Caroline and Aaron, you were both her world and everything and she loved you beyond words. I will always miss my best and dear friend. She is with your dad now and happy. She will always be with you and looking over you. And everyone with you will be helping you both in any way we can. Please know that we are all here for you both. I have lit candles for your mom in every church I've gone to here in Italy. I think of her all the time. Love Kimba*

**Kim Ciborowski** - April 18, 2016 at 01:06 AM



“ *Margaret, you will always be my best friend! You were the most true, genuine and most giving person I have ever known! I miss you so much but know you are with Matt and have special things to do now. I have lit many candles for you everywhere in Tuscany and know you are with me in spirit! You will always be my Bella Amica! You were such an amazing mother to Caroline and Aaron and we will all look after them. I love you. Kimba*

**Kim Ciborowski** - April 17, 2016 at 06:53 AM



“ *Caroline and Aaron, My heart breaks for you two. Margaret, her smile, her essence is gone way before her time. Hoping you two, her most precious gifts, will find a way to be there for one another. Love and deepest sympathy,  
Pam Bruning*

**Pamela Bruning** - April 10, 2016 at 11:08 AM

JL

“ *Jim Lawshe lit a candle in memory of Margaret L. Connolly*



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**Jim Lawshe** - April 08, 2016 at 08:59 AM

JL

*Celebrating a beautiful life and a beautiful person*

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**Jim Lawshe** - April 08, 2016 at 09:01 AM

LC

*Every conversation ~ every interaction I had with Margaret was with a Woman who adored her children~I was blessed to have known such a wonderful woman.*

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**Laurie Noyes Cook** - April 09, 2016 at 03:26 PM

MM

“ *4 files added to the tribute wall*



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**maureen mcmanus** - April 07, 2016 at 04:25 PM



“ 89 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Remick & Gendron Funeral Home** - April 07, 2016 at 01:42 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



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**Pax** - April 07, 2016 at 11:20 AM



“ *Aaron, Caroline, Sharon and Brenda - So sorry for your loss of your beautiful mother and sister. She was one of the best people I've known, and was such an integral part of our Pax World family. I hope your happy memories will sustain you through your grief.*



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**Maureen Conley** - April 07, 2016 at 10:51 AM

KD

“ Kelly Donahue purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Margaret L. Connolly.



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**Kelly Donahue** - April 06, 2016 at 01:04 PM

KT

“ Sharon & Brenda - I'm so very sorry. I hope you're able to find peace and always remember the happy memories.

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**Kerri Tripp** - April 05, 2016 at 02:38 PM

BM

“ Bob (Coach), Kelli, Nolan, Molly Maynard purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Margaret L. Connolly.



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**Bob (Coach), Kelli, Nolan, Molly Maynard** - April 05, 2016 at 01:27 PM

BF

“ Margaret was a very special Lady to me. We shared a few special moments. Like the time we cooked the Turkey for Thansgiving several. and the time we spent with Jon and Kylie in Cancun. The last time I saw Margaret was at a cottage on Lake Ontario that she was sharing with her sister Brenda. we sat on the beach and talked about life and other things. Ill miss her and always remember her in my prayers.

*Farewell Sweet Margaret. Ill see you again in heaven.. Love,  
Benjamin*

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**Benjamin D. Frary** - April 05, 2016 at 10:38 AM

JS

“ M. My role model of how to be the best person one can be. You brought a positive light to things, made us all feel better and made us better people. I will miss catching up with you - about happy things, about sad things, about all things. I will remember you always and miss you lots.



*My heart goes out to your family, Aaron, Caroline and sweet Chester.*

*Janet Lawton Spates*

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**Janet Lawton Spates** - April 04, 2016 at 08:38 PM

AD

“ Margaret was such an integral part of the Pax family, she will be so missed by all of us. She was one of the warmest, most giving persons I’ve ever known. She had a wonderful sense of humor and remained so strong with all she’s had to endure these past two years. She was so proud of Aaron and Caroline, spoke of her kids all the time with such a sense of love, pride and joy.

*I will miss her smile, always the first person I would see when I arrived at the office each morning. Over the past several months, it was such a bonus on the days I would see her at her desk. Over the past few weeks, each morning as I approached the 4th floor, I would hope, by some miracle that she would be there.*

*She baked the most amazing homemade blueberry cakes, she coordinated the most wonderful Pax World events, I will even miss visits from her sweet dog, Chester, on Kid’s Days, when Margaret would have him perform tricks for the kids – always a huge hit! I feel blessed to have known her in the 9 ½ years we’ve worked together.*

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**Alicia DuBois** - April 04, 2016 at 05:55 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Margaret L. Connolly.



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April 04, 2016 at 05:07 PM



“ Our thoughts are with Margaret's family and friends - All of us at Friends Forever

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**Steve Martineau** - April 04, 2016 at 03:41 PM

TL

“ I loved working with Margaret at Pax World. I work remotely so did not get to spend a lot of time with her, but I always made a point to go upstairs for a visit whenever I was in Portsmouth and loved spending time with her.

Aaron and Caroline - your mom was so proud of you both. I have a daughter who is close in age to both of you so we spoke about you often, like mom's do. I am so sorry for your loss and hope in time your wonderful memories help bring you both comfort.

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**Terry Lilienfield** - April 04, 2016 at 01:34 PM

KE

“ I had a wonderful time working with Margaret at Global Citizens Circle. This past year she was such an inspiration.

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**Kem** - April 04, 2016 at 11:42 AM

CD

“ Although we never met, I feel such sadness with this loss. Margaret always was there to help, even though I was the spouse of your chair, when I wanted to have a surprise family trip for a big birthday....and conflicting with an important meeting. We worked and talked a lot..We got to know each other well. I feel so sorry that we never met except on the phone. What a special person she was. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Caroline and Aaron. Carl always spoke of Margaret as if she was an old dear friend. a friend who he will miss greatly.

*Meredith and Carl Doerge*

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**carl and meredith doerge** - April 04, 2016 at 10:59 AM

LG

“ My childhood friend and neighbor from years ago. I will miss you. The fun we had and our picnics! Memories that can never be taken away from me. You are in a much better place. I also know your children will miss you terribly but they will have the Lacey and Connolly families to help. Brenda and Sharon. My sympathies and love to you. Caroline and Aaron. Even though I do not know you personally your mom made it like I did. My thoughts and prayers are going to you Caroline and Aaron.. Rest in Peace Margaret.. We will see each other again!

*Lynne(Brewer)Glerum*

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**Lynne Glerum** - April 04, 2016 at 09:17 AM

ND

“ Caroline and Aaron - Anyone who ever interacted with your mom feels blessed to have known her. We will hold her forever in our hearts and through your memories, ours, and others, she will always live. Her greatest joy was the two of you! We hope you'll be able to hold onto an image in her magnificent glory with her full strength, decency, dignity, humor and humanity. Above all, know that she loves you beyond time and space and she always will. You and we truly are blessed to have had her in our lives. Love, - Nadine and Jerry

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**Nadine Hack & Jerry Dunfey** - April 04, 2016 at 05:44 AM

KR

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**Kathy Reilley** - April 03, 2016 at 10:44 PM

BH

“ Margaret brought love of life and comfort to the Pax World family. She ensured that all of us from distant places were warmly welcome to Portsmouth and became a friend to all. I'll always remember her smile and her love of her children and community. She was a gracious representative of New England...as I will always remember her. She will be missed, but her memory will never leave me and my colleagues at Pax World...”

Bob Helmuth - April 03, 2016 at 08:12 PM

SO

“ Susan O'Grady lit a candle in memory of Margaret L. Connolly



Susan O'Grady - April 03, 2016 at 06:45 PM

SA

“ Sue Argue lit a candle in memory of Margaret L. Connolly



Sue Argue - April 03, 2016 at 04:08 PM

SE

“ Sherri Edwards lit a candle in memory of Margaret L. Connolly



Sherri Edwards - April 03, 2016 at 10:27 AM

SE

*Caroline my thoughts are with you and I am sorry for your loss.*

**Sherri Edwards** - April 03, 2016 at 10:32 AM

AM

“*Marg, I can't begin to tell you how much you will be missed. You were a bright spot in everyone's day at Pax World and contributed so much both personally and professionally to the company and to our lives. Aaron and Caroline, you were your mothers pride and joy and I will miss all the updates on your lives, there is no doubt that you will both go on to do amazing things. Sending thoughts and prayers to the entire family during this time.*

**Amy Maness** - April 03, 2016 at 09:40 AM

DS

“*I was so blessed to know and work with Margaret through the Dunfeys and Global Citizens Circle. Margaret was the type of person we should all aspire to be. She was generous, thoughtful, funny, wise and filled with love for her family, her friends and her co-workers. She will be sorely missed by all. Aaron and Caroline, my prayers are with you both. Know that your Mom and Dad are together and they are both watching over you and they will forever be in your hearts. My deepest sympathy to you all. Rest peacefully, Margaret.*


*Deb Sanders*

**Deb Sanders** - April 03, 2016 at 07:40 AM

KS

“ Margaret Connolly - one of my all time favorite people. We met through the Dunfeys and Global Citizens Circle. We worked together in South Africa and numerous events at the Parker House in Boston. Easy to be with/work with, charming, great sense of humor, hard worker, dependable, always a positive attitude. An inspiration. What a life well lived. I am so upset at this news. Best wishes.

Kathleen Soldati - April 03, 2016 at 06:49 AM

 Tara Michelle

“ Such a beautiful, sweet lady that exuded positive energy!

Tara Michelle - April 03, 2016 at 02:14 AM

MS

“ Sharon I am so sorry for the loss of your sister. My condolences for the rest of the family for your loss. Sending prayers.

Marcia AuClair Schlaffer

marcia AuClair Schlaffer - April 03, 2016 at 12:26 AM

BF

“ Bob And Paula McDonough And Family lit a candle in memory of Margaret L. Connolly



Bob and Paula McDonough and family - April 02, 2016 at 10:16 PM

BF

*Dear Caroline and Aaron, We send you both our deepest condolences on the loss of your beautiful mother, she will always be with you and guiding you throughout your lifetime. Sending many prayers your way during this very difficult time.*

**Bob and Paula McDonough and family** - April 02, 2016 at 10:22 PM



Maureen  
McManus

“ *Oh Margaret, where to begin? Thank you for coming into my life. I wouldn't be where I am without you. I had the pleasure of being your friend through Kate, and we always said we were kindred spirits. Our likeness for the same movies, books, and music was our bonding ground - I loved our movie & pizza nights! Thank you for all the times you made me dinner, gave me a shoulder to cry on, gave me advice, dance, sang, and laughed with me. Your smile and laugh could light up a room. I'll miss your giggly & tipsy dance moves and our annual summer trips to Mendum's Pond. Thank you for helping me become the person I am today. You helped guide me through my tumbles in NH and welcomed me in with open arms. I will never be able to thank you enough for your support. Most of all, I thank you for your friendship. You are the truest definition of a friend. I love you. Fly free, my songbird.*



**Maureen McManus** - April 02, 2016 at 07:32 PM

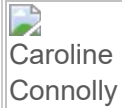


Caroline  
Connolly

“ *Caroline Connolly lit a candle in memory of Margaret L. Connolly*



**Caroline Connolly** - April 02, 2016 at 05:46 PM



Caroline  
Connolly

“ I LOVE YOU! I will always remember all of our special times, going to the beach, going to get pedicures, papa ginos and movies, when we would go out to churchills and pick out flowers for your garden, christmas time because that was so special to us, and so much more. I have so many memories, you will live on inside me everyday mommy, your strength is in me. I love you and miss you - very much!!!!

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**Caroline Connolly** - April 02, 2016 at 05:38 PM

HE

*Beautifully said....*

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**Heideconlin** - April 02, 2016 at 05:59 PM

CW

*I will always have wonderful memories of Margaret. She was a great and responsible child that grew into a strong, beautiful woman, wife and mother. All three Lacey girls were my babysitters back in the day as they grew up, they passed the job sister to sister. My love, prayers and sympathy to Caroline and Aaron, Brenda, Sharon and their families. I know she will be missed and pray you all find comfort in your wonderful memories!! Much love, Charlene and Mike Werth ❤️❤️🙏🙏*

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**charlene werth** - April 04, 2016 at 05:42 PM

NS

*Caroline, we are so sad to learn of your Mom"s passing. She was a wonderful person, and loved you very much. May all of your memories with her be a blessing to you now and always. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Blessings...the Serpis Family*

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**Nancy Serpis** - April 05, 2016 at 09:44 AM