



Patricia A. Collins

March 24, 1930 - September 3, 2013

Hampton – Patricia A. Collins, 83, of Hampton, formerly of Bradford, MA and Haverhill, MA, died Tuesday, September 3, 2013 at Portsmouth Regional Hospital with loving family by her bedside.

Patricia was born March 24, 1930 in Haverhill, a daughter of the late Louis and Dorothy (Berry) Hamel.

She was raised in Bradford and graduated from the Academy of Notre Dame High School in Tyngsboro, MA with the Class of 1948. Patricia attended Georgian Court University in New Jersey and the Garland School of Boston but left school to marry the love of her life and husband of over 62 years, Philip H. Collins, Sr. The couple settled in Haverhill for the next 25 years before moving to the New Hampshire Seacoast in 1975. While in Haverhill, she served on the Executive Committee of Ladies at Merrimack College.

Patricia was a very courageous woman and always a lady as she battled her many illnesses without complaint. She was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend. She loved her family and spending time with them meant the world to her. Known as the “Cookie Lady,” all the neighborhood children loved Patricia and would regularly visit her for a special treat.

In addition to her husband Philip of Hampton, she is survived by her sons, Philip Collins, Jr., and his wife Joan of North Hampton, David Collins of Greenville, SC and Daniel Collins and his wife Harper of Lawrenceville, NJ; her daughters, Judith Collins of Newbury and Mary St. Gelais of Hampton; her brothers, Louis Hamel, Jr. of Winchester, MA and Gerald Hamel and his wife Jan of Chocorua; her sisters, Virginia Heffernan of Bradford, MA, Claire Hochschwender of Rye Beach and Marilyn McCarthy of Rye; her 11 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her daughter Patricia Collins and her sister Gloria Spellman.

There will be no calling hours. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 AM on Saturday, September 7, 2013 at St. Theresa's Church, 815 Central Rd., Rye Beach. Burial will follow in the High Street Cemetery, Hampton. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited. In lieu of flowers, donations may be mailed to: The Jimmy Fund, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284-9168 or made online at: www.jimmyfund.org/gif/.

Previous Events

Committal

SEP 7. 1:00 PM (ET)

High Street Cemetery
150 High Street
Hampton, NH

Tribute Wall



“ *Patricia A. Collins*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *To the whole Collins Family,
I'm so sad to hear about your mother, it's not an easy thing to go through. I remember as a kid you all got Christmas stockings with Santa coming out a chimney. I really loved it, told her, and she made one for me! A real sweet lady! Try to be happy.*

*Bucky Law
PS... I still have the stocking!*

Bucky Law - September 16, 2013 at 02:45 PM



“ *Dear Phil: I am so saddend to hear of Pat's death. Pat was one one the most wonderful and courageous women that I have ever met. Her love for you and the "kids" (and you are a large group) was evident from the first time we met. I will miss her sense of humor, her enthusiam and her great sense of style, She was much more than a patient she was a great friend and confidant, I was blessed to have her in my life, again my deepest sympathies*

*Diane Attenborough
Newfields NH*

diane attenborough - September 10, 2013 at 11:24 AM

RC

“ Dear Phil, I am sorry to hear of Pats passing. I will miss our date every Friday at 1130 to do her hair. I loved our conversations and Pats sense of humor. Pat was a very lovely woman inside and out. We will all miss her greatly. Take Care, Rhonda

Rhonda Copp - September 07, 2013 at 06:01 PM

CH

“ Pat wasn't just my sister. She was my friend. I miss her a lot.

Claire

Claire Hochschwender - September 06, 2013 at 09:45 AM



“ Bright and Beautiful Spray was purchased for the family of Patricia A. Collins.



September 06, 2013 at 08:05 AM

DB

“ I have great memories of times spent with Pat, Phil and my Bill. Now two are sadly gone from us. My deepest sympathy! Diane Bradley

Diane Bradley - September 05, 2013 at 05:14 PM

SS

“ Aunt Pat was very very special, always loving, funny and supportive, and often a substitute mother for us Spellman cousins. We are so grateful for our memories and will miss her terribly. Our love and prayers go out to the Collins family, Susan Spellman (McGovern)

Susan Spellman - September 05, 2013 at 01:05 PM

CM

“ Pat was a great person with the most wonderful sense of humor. I, too remember going to Pat and Phil's house for Thanksgiving with my parents. It was always a wonderful day. She will missed a lot. love you and God bless
Claudia

Claudia Miliner - September 05, 2013 at 12:14 PM

RH

“ As we grew up....such a good friend! Many fond memories...God Bless, Dick Hamel

Richard P Hamel - September 05, 2013 at 09:45 AM

LS

Memory goes back to Freshman year in HHS ANNEX of which Pat, Marilyn, Dana and Richard (Dick) and myself were classmates. In some classes Pat sat next to me and was always very cordial to a very shy me. May She Rest In Peace.
Lloyd E. Smith, Punta Gorda, Florida
GOD BLESS

Lloyd Ernest Smith - September 06, 2013 at 07:30 PM

TM

“ *Phil,
So very sorry for your loss of Pat.
Tom and Kathleen Maher
Greenland*

Tom Maher - September 05, 2013 at 09:15 AM

TM

“ *Oh So Many Memories...My Aunt Pat was a wonderful woman.
When we were kids, all the Hamel clan would gather at Pat and
Phil's home for the most incredible Thanksgivings EVER!! There
would be several huge turkeys, tons of yummy food but the one
thing that sticks out in my mind was Aunt Pat's incredible desert:)
Boy that woman could cook.
I am honored to be your niece Aunt Pat but more importantly, I am
honored to be your friend. I love you!
Rest in Peace, my dear. God knows you deserve it!*

Tippy Missick - September 05, 2013 at 07:47 AM

TM

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Tippy Missick - September 05, 2013 at 07:37 AM