



Stephanie L. Patrick-Chalfant

August 21, 1955 - December 4, 2018

Rye – Stephanie L. Patrick-Chalfant, 63, of Rye, passed away at her home, surrounded by loving family on Tuesday, December 4, 2018.

Stephanie was born on August 21, 1955 in Exeter, a daughter of Priscilla (MacCallum) Patrick of Rye and the late John W. Patrick. She was raised in Rye and graduated from Portsmouth High School with the Class of 1973. Stephanie earned her Bachelor of Animal Science Degree from UNH in 1977 and her second Bachelor's Degree in Theatre from UNH in 1979.

Theater was her passion; she worked a number of jobs within the industry over the years as well as holding membership with Actor's Equity and the Screen Actors Guild. Aside from her many appearances on stage as a talented character actress she worked primarily behind the scenes as one of the seacoast areas foremost costume designers. Among many local playhouses and performance venues Stephanie worked at the Hooker Howe Costume House of Haverhill, MA, the Hampton Playhouse and for the last 15 years as the Costume Shop Supervisor for the University of New Hampshire Theatre Department.

She was also an accomplished equestrian and horse woman devoting 50+ years of service to the United States Pony Club as a member, volunteer and most recently District Commissioner of Squamscott Pony Club.

In addition to her mother, Stephanie is survived by her daughter, Lilliana Chalfant who resides in Prague, Czech Republic and her sisters, Shelly L. Patrick of Rye and Stacey L. Patrick of Coplin Plantation, ME. She also leaves behind many cousins, her horses and her special Irish Jack Russell, "Charlie."

Family and friends may visit from 11 AM to 1 PM Saturday, December 8, 2018 in the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home – Crematory, 811 Lafayette Rd., Hampton. A Celebration of Life Service will follow the visitation at 1 PM in the funeral home. Burial will be in the Central Cemetery, Rye. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Stephanie Patrick-Chalfant Fund at TD Bank, 46 Lafayette Road, North Hampton, NH 03862 for a scholarship fund in her memory.

Cemetery Details

Central Cemetery

20 Central Road
Rye, NH

Previous Events

Calling Hours

DEC 8. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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811 Lafayette Road ·
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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ *Stephanie L. Patrick-Chalfant*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *For an everlasting memory of my dear friend Stephanie, who I have known since we were three years old. I want to donate to her special Foundation. Stephanie Patrick-Chalfant Fund - at TD Bank, 46 Lafayette Road, North Hampton, NH 03862 for a Scholarship Fund in Stephanie's memory in lieu of flowers. In Special Memory :)*

Aimee Margolis - January 04, 2019 at 10:26 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Stephanie L. Patrick-Chalfant.*



December 10, 2018 at 03:13 PM

JD

“ My relationship with Stephanie was brief but memorable. The year was 1980 something and she was choreographer for Gypsy at Giordano's. She was full of energy and light with a voice (like mine) that needed no microphone. She would line us up. We would adjust our positions/posture. We would wait with anticipation for her voice direction.....

"5-6-7-8." I would hear her in my dreams trying to learn what I was supposed to do and which moves to make. I was such an amateur. She did take pity on my inexperience and worked with me alone. Here it is, 30 years later and now her it's a warm memory of her in her prime.

May her family be comforted with the happy thoughts, memories and how many lives Steph touched.

Rest in peace dear Stephanie!!

Judi (Frederickson) Dalphond

Judith Dalphond - December 09, 2018 at 10:05 AM

MM

“ Stephanie was part of a puppet show I helped organize a few years back. Naturally she was wonderful- but what I recall most, besides her considerable talent, was her enthusiasm and kindness. Thank you Stephanie.

Mary McCarthy - December 08, 2018 at 12:56 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Stephanie L. Patrick-Chalfant.*



December 07, 2018 at 06:18 PM



“ *Stephanie, and her entire family, are a very important part of my childhood. Every time I ride my horse, I can attribute the experience to Stephanie and her leadership in Pony Club. Her legacy among us Pony Clubbers is profound. I send my love to her family and especially my friend Shelly and her mom Priscilla. I am delighted there is a scholarship fund in her name at UNH and will most assuredly contribute. What a beautiful tribute. Love Dianne*

Dianne Appel - December 07, 2018 at 02:02 PM



“ *The NH theatre community- and the region which supports it- has lost a giant.*

There is hardly a theatre company in or around NH that Stephanie Patrick-Chalfant had either worked with, or has in its ranks someone who knew her, or knew of her, or who was influenced by her- whether through her many years as a professional costumer, actress, model, director, mentor, or teacher. Her reach, both professional and personal, was almost limitless in its scope.

She was a woman of commanding presence and fearless disposition, taking charge on the stage and behind the scenes, charting an impressive arc of character roles as an actress, but also making every production she was involved with memorable by supplying the show with whatever she could- costumes, props, anything she had and could give was yours.

Her career embraced all spheres of the performing arts: one of the last to work the maze-like warrens of the legendary Hooker and Howe Costume Company, artistic director of The Hampton Playhouse, and professor of costume design at the University of New Hampshire were but three of the many, many roles she took on.

But mostly what she gave of herself was herself. Not only was she a font of practical advice about theatre and stagecraft, she was a constant and comforting presence to those who had lost their way, using her keenly developed sense of empathy, coupled with a firm and guiding hand, which helped bring people back to where they needed to be so that they could once more take a stab at being their best selves.

She was loyal. And fierce, And funny. And loving .She was everything you could have ever wanted in a friend.

And I was lucky to have her as mine.

My thoughts today of course are of her, and of her wonderful family-daughter Lilliana, sisters Shelly and Stacey, mother Priscilla, and the many, many others who came to know of the remarkable family of a remarkable woman, and who, like me, count themselves that much the richer for being welcomed into their lives.

"To live in the hearts we leave behind is to never die"
- Thomas Campbell

Michael J. Curtiss
Tuesday, December 4, 2018

Michael Curtiss - December 07, 2018 at 03:49 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Stephanie L. Patrick-Chalfant.*



December 06, 2018 at 10:18 PM



“ *Stephanie exemplified living your passion and sharing it, with joy, strength and selflessness. The lessons learned riding at the Patrick's farm stayed with me forever. And to see that those lessons carried on for decades after, to guide and help other youngsters find there way, was truly heartwarming. Stephanie gave her all, be it Theater or horses and Pony Club. Stephanie you are forever in my heart, thank you so much for all the fun and sharing the farm. Much love, Joan Sheehan*

Joan Sheehan - December 06, 2018 at 10:04 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Stephanie L. Patrick-Chalfant.*



December 06, 2018 at 08:23 PM



“ *Stephanie made me feel at home at UNH Theatre. She was in charge of my costume for both plays I acted in. Since I was petite and African-American, she told me I was her "Cicely Tyson." In a play when I was props assistant, I was asked to hem a cloth, and I was panicking trying to finish it by hand. Of course Stephanie whipped it out of my hand and perfected it in seconds on the sewing machine. She saved me that day! I'm really thankful to have known Stephanie. She made a profound impact on my life when I only knew her for a bit.*

Bethany Cooper - December 06, 2018 at 11:25 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



Billy Butler - December 06, 2018 at 09:12 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Stephanie L. Patrick-Chalfant.*



December 06, 2018 at 08:58 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Stephanie L. Patrick-Chalfant.*



December 05, 2018 at 11:17 PM



“ *Stephanie was the older sister of my best friend Shelly in middle school. I was so privileged to be taught by Steph in pony club. She always made it fun and instructive. I always speak of my childhood in fond terms and Stephanie was a big part of the joy. She was the architectural designer of our small barn, and her dad then built it. She told my dad it was the barn she would design for her own kids. I send my love and all my blue ribbons to her in heaven.*



Dianne Tracy Appel - December 05, 2018 at 10:44 PM

KH

“ I too met Steph at Giordanos dinner theater, did numerous productions with her over the years, which also included the Amesbury Playhouse. She became a dear friend. We all love her and will miss her. God bless, see you on that big stage in the sky.

Kathy h - December 05, 2018 at 10:09 PM

RN

“ I remember my first show with Stephanie. It was Cabaret in 1984. I remember at the read thru just listening to her and thinking that she should be on Broadway. I was so impressed. She became a great friend. I did many shows with her throughout the years at Giordano's Starlite Dinner Theatre and Boom Boom Room. So many wonderful memories. Love ya Steph. Until we meet again. Save me a place in your next theatre company. Ron.

Ron Nicolosi - December 05, 2018 at 07:28 PM

DG

“ My favorite memory of Stephanie was working with her in Annie Warbucks. She was so much fun, and so funny. And she was always helping everyone with their costume, as well as being onstage herself. I often met up with her at different shows, and she was always so friendly and helpful. She shall be very much missed by all.



Donna M. Goldfarb - December 05, 2018 at 03:15 PM