



Walter B. Hanson III

April 6, 2019

Walter B. Hanson, III, 60, of West Hartford, died unexpectedly on Saturday, April 6, 2019 at his home. He was the husband of Beth McGarity. Born and raised in Providence, RI, the son of the late Walter B. and Caroline Hanson, Walter attended the Moses Brown School in Providence. He went on to graduate from the University of Vermont prior to serving with the U.S. Navy. In 1988 he moved to the Hartford area for a position with the Travelers Insurance Company and worked in the insurance industry the balance of his career. Walter was an avid Red Sox and Patriots fan. He enjoyed golf and cycling and played league softball in his 30's and 40's. Walter loved animals and his pets and especially enjoyed time spent with his nieces and nephews, who affectionately knew him as Uncle Wally. In addition to his wife Beth, Walter leaves his sister, Shelby Hanson Tiziani, her husband Robert, and their children Lucas and Ariana; Beth's parents, Jan and Bob McGarity; and his brother-in-law, Todd McGarity, his wife, Debbie, and their children Jack and Charlie. He was also a loving fur daddy to Piglet and Betty.

A gathering in celebration of his life will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at Rockledge Grille, 289 South Main St., West Hartford. In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory may be made to the Connecticut Humane Society at cthumane.org. Taylor & Modeen Funeral Home, West Hartford has care of arrangements. For directions and online condolences, please visit www.taylorandmodeen.com.

Events

APR **Celebration of Life** 04:00PM - 07:00PM

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Rockledge Country Club

289 S. Main Street, West Hartford, CT, US, 06107

Comments



“ Beth,

My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time of sorrow.

Deepest Sympathy,
Sue Crotty



Susan Crotty - April 10, 2019 at 09:09 AM



“ It has been said that the best index to a person's character is how he treats people who can't do him any good, and how he treats people who can't fight back. Based on this measure, Walter Hanson's character speaks for itself. For those of us who had the privilege to work with Walter, we will miss his classic voice imitations, English grammar lessons and the unending challenges he had with 21st century technology. More importantly, Walter was a genuinely kind and respectful human being. Walter left the world a better place than how he found it. He will be missed. Condolences to Beth and all his family. ~ Chris Lloyd

Chris Lloyd - April 09, 2019 at 10:17 PM



“ My deepest condolences to you and your family. If you need anything please shout out. We are here for you.
Respectfully. Fred Moreno

Fred Moreno - April 09, 2019 at 04:57 PM



“ 5 files added to the album Walter Hanson



Beth - April 09, 2019 at 11:12 AM



“ My deepest condolences to the friends and families of Walter. He was a true gentleman in all senses of the word. He was witty, smart and a true friend. He will be missed by everyone who worked with him and who knew him. Rest in Peace, my friend.

Sue Shea
Travelers & Discover-Re



Sue Shea - April 09, 2019 at 10:48 AM



“ I worked with Walter at Discover Re and then we moved to Travelers Insurance Downtown Hartford. He was a wonderful man with a great sense of humor. I will miss him dearly. My Condolences to you and your family.

Gwen Neal
Travelers Insurance

Gwen Neal - April 09, 2019 at 07:57 AM



“ Beth I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you and your family. Mary Lynn

Mary Lynn Pelletier - April 08, 2019 at 10:53 PM



“ Beth, I am so very sorry for the loss of your husband. My sincere condolences to you and your family at this difficult time.

Beth Dronsfield

Beth Dronsfield - April 08, 2019 at 08:09 PM



“ Beth, My heartfelt prayers and condolences are being sent to you and your family. May God give you the strength to get through this difficult time. Tina Bennett



Tina Bennett - April 08, 2019 at 03:04 PM



“ Beth, My sincere condolences to you and your family
Cheryl Saunders

Cheryl Saunders - April 08, 2019 at 12:08 PM



“ So sorry to hear of your loss Beth. Sending my sincere condolences.

Jill Moulton - April 08, 2019 at 11:22 AM



“ Beth, I am so very sorry to hear of your loss. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Linda Nystrom - April 08, 2019 at 10:50 AM



“ Beth, I am so sadden to have just learned of the passing of Walter. I worked with Walter some time ago but when we had the chance to cross paths, it was always nice to hear from him and to share a laugh. He most definately had a big heart and would always have a kind word to say. He will be missed by so many. He was a wonderful person and truly one of a kind. Sending you and the family, prayers and thoughts during this difficult time. May your memories of happier times carry you. God bless you.

Helene Longest - April 08, 2019 at 10:49 AM



“ Melissa Yannarella lit a candle in memory of Walter B. Hanson III



Melissa Yannarella - April 08, 2019 at 09:20 AM



“ Beth, I am so sorry for your loss. Walter was a great guy, always cheerful and so welcoming. Deepest sympathies to you and your family, I am keeping you in my prayers.

Missy Yannarella

Melissa Yannarella - April 08, 2019 at 09:20 AM



“ So sorry Beth for your loss. My heart and prayers are with you.

Regina Sanchez

Regina - April 08, 2019 at 10:48 AM



“ Beth & family-- I am so sadden to hear about the passing of Walter. We both started our careers at the same time at The Travelers a very long time ago. He had a big heart and would always have a kind word to say. He was also very funny and could always make me laugh. He was truly one of a kind. He will be missed. Sending my prayers and thoughts to you and his family at this difficult time.

Love Nancy Gesuele Cox



Nancy - April 08, 2019 at 08:26 AM



“ Dear Beth ~ I am very sad to have just read about Walters unexpected passing! I am so sorry, my deepest sympathy to you. As you know I haven't seen Walter in a long time but I remember the days working with him at EBI in Farmington. He was a great guy. Again I'm very sorry for your loss, you are in my thoughts and prayers.
Sincerely, Tracey Miller-Lamontagne



Tracey Miller-Lamontagne - April 07, 2019 at 09:08 PM