



## William Joseph "Civi" Civitillo Sr.

January 21, 2019

William Joseph Civitillo Sr., 63, of West Hartford, CT, died from complications of long term cancer, on Monday January 21, 2019. He was born on May 4, 1955, in Hartford, CT, to Nicholas and Lee Civitillo. He was a graduate of Kingswood-Oxford School, Merrimack College, and received his MBA degree in Finance. He was currently the part owner and President of a third-generation commercial construction company. He was previously on the Board of Trustees, Alumni Council and a Class Agent of Kingswood-Oxford School. He was also previously on the Board of Directors of the Hartford Golf Club, a Trustee of the Westwood Hills Association, a Deacon of Asylum Hill Congregational Church, a member of the 1892 Club, and he served on the Stratton Mountain Safety Patrol for 10 years. His volunteer work included the Visiting Nurse Association, Boy Scouts of America, the Building Committee of Asylum Hill Congregational Church, and scholarship in his industry.

His passions besides his devoted family, were sports including lacrosse, skiing, running, sailing, scuba diving, golf, tennis, paddle tennis and squash. He also traveled with his family to all seven continents, many countries worldwide, and skied in the Alps every year for the past several years. He was called "Bill" and "Civi" among his friends, and was best known for his gregarious, caring personality along with his handsome, ever-ready smile and sense of humor.

He is survived by his wife of 34 years, Katherine Nancy Sherts Civitillo, and their three children, Whitney of Greenwich, CT, Martha of Stamford, CT, and William, Jr. (Wiggs), of Durham, NC and New York City, with fiancé, Sarah Van Tassel; along with many dear Civitillo and Sherts family members.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, February 9, 2019 at 11:00 AM, at Asylum Hill Congregational Church, 814 Asylum Avenue, Hartford, CT, 06105. The burial will be private.

Donations in his memory may be made to Giving @ Hartford Hospital.org, Donor Information and Tribute Information.

Taylor & Modeen Funeral Home, West Hartford has care of the of arrangements, so for directions and additional information, please go to [www.taylorandmodeen.com](http://www.taylorandmodeen.com).

# Comments

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“ I am so sorry to hear about the loss of Bill. He was a great man and always a pleasure to speak with. He will be missed.

**Dawn Brennan** - February 05 at 11:51 AM

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“ Patty Hawthorne lit a candle in memory of William Joseph "Civi" Civitillo Sr.



**Patty Hawthorne** - February 05 at 07:21 AM

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“ I am deeply saddened to hear of Bill's passing. He was a great man and I enjoyed my conversations with him. I extend my deepest condolences to your entire family and please know my thoughts and prayers are with all of your family .  
Thinking of you with deepest sympathy ,  
Sebby Giliberto



**Sebby Giliberto** - January 31 at 02:39 PM

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“ Our family was saddened to learn about Bill's passing. He was such a vibrant and caring person who always added calm and kindness to any group. Please know that the Civitillo family is in our hearts and prayers. With love, Jenny and Gerard Vecchio, Sabine Vecchio Baldwin, and Lexy Vecchio

**Jenny Vecchio** - January 27 at 10:17 AM

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“ I'm sorry for your loss.

I remember Bill from the 80s when he came into The Elmwood Pastry Shop where I worked.

He was one of the nicest men and always had a smile on his face.

My thoughts are with the family.

Jen Ginn Dougherty

Jen Dougherty - January 27 at 09:47 AM

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“ If one can call a person “warm and fuzzy”, to me that would be Bill. Over the years our interface was primarily Asylum Hill Church, serving on various committees, and being in The Boar's Head Festival together. Bill was outgoing, fun to be with and around, and always the consummate gentleman

Tew DuBois - January 27 at 09:31 AM

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“ Dear Civitillo Family ~  
I fondly remember my time with your beautiful family while teaching at Aiken Elementary School. Please accept my deepest condolences for your loss. May the prayers and love of many comfort and sustain you through this time. I am grateful to have met you all along my life journey.

With love,  
Lynette T. Grande

Lynette T. Grande - January 26 at 09:08 AM

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“ Bill gave me the best hug ever this past summer I did not realize that bear hug was “good bye” . Kathy our friend, the swimmer, the party girl, the artist, gracious to all and mom to 3 amazing kids we leave for Big Sky tomorrow and our 1st run will be for Civi. Xo

karen dempsey carney - January 25 at 06:41 PM

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“ Bob Smith lit a candle in memory of William Joseph "Civi" Civitillo Sr.



**Bob Smith** - January 25 at 05:26 PM