



Joanne B. White

February 7, 1937 - February 24, 2016

Joanne (Buxton) White, 79, passed away February 24 , 2016 surrounded by her family. She suffered from Alzheimer's Disease for many years. Born February 7, 1937 in Burlington, VT she was the daughter of the late Franklin and Paulita Buxton. An only child, she spent her young life in Burlington, VT where she graduated from Burlington High School in 1955. In 1958 she graduated from Johns Hopkins School of X-ray Technology. It was in Baltimore that she met the love of her life and her husband of 47 years, Kenneth H. White Jr., MD who predeceased her in 2005.

She and Ken relocated to Hartford in 1960 where they raised their family including many dogs and pets. She was a loving and funny mother who was devoted to her family and friends. She was active in the St Francis Hospital Auxiliary for over 40 years. An avid sports fan, she enjoyed playing tennis and cheering for the UCONN girls' basketball team. Once Jennifer started playing hockey, Joanne spent the following fourteen years in electric socks and blue moon boots at ice rinks all over New England, served on the board of the WH Youth Hockey League and organized team functions. She set a new standard for "hockey mom." Above all she was the heart of family gatherings, creating the most memorable holidays and celebrations with her hand made crafts, decorations and elaborate meals. Her joyous spirit, wicked sense of humor and the warmth with which she welcomed one and all into her home will be greatly missed. She is survived by her four children: Kenneth H. White III (Marcelle) of Wilton, NH; Kelly W. Pesek (Steve) of Weston, MA; Karen W.

Hadley (Jeff) of Whitehouse Station, NJ; and Jennifer W. Pennoyer MD (Bill) of West Hartford, CT. She also leaves her 9 grandchildren whom she adored: Tyler, Emily and Tim Pesek; Jon, Max and Samantha Hadley; and Sophie, Nina and Grant Pennoyer. The family would like to express special heartfelt thanks to the staff at the Seabury facilities for their wonderful care. Funeral services will be held on Monday, February 29th at 10 am at the First Church of Christ Congregational Church, 12 South Main Street, West Hartford. Burial will be private. Friends and family may call on Sunday February 28th from 4-7 pm at the Molloy Funeral Home, 906 Farmington Ave, West Hartford. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in her name to Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60601, www.alz.org. Online expressions of sympathy may be made at www.molloyfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Calling Hours

FEB **28**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Molloy Funeral Home
906 Farmington Ave
West Hartford, CT 06119
(860) 232-1322

Funeral Service

FEB **29**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Church of Christ Congregational
12 South Main Street
West Hartford, CT

Tribute Wall

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“ *The members of Burlington High School Class of 1955 send our heartfelt condolences to the family of a popular and much loved classmate, Joanne Buxton White.*

Art Stultz, President. Artstultz@comcast.net

Art Stultz - March 22, 2016 at 10:12 PM

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“ *I met Joanne during the time our daughters' played ice hockey. She was a friendly, lovely, classy, gracious woman. I was sorry to learn of her passing and I pray for her and for her entire family. May she be in a better place and may her family take comfort from the outpouring of prayers, sympathy and support from all those who knew her.*

Barbara Dennis - March 07, 2016 at 01:30 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Joanne B. White.*



February 26, 2016 at 10:24 PM

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“ I knew Mrs. White through one of her daughters, Karen, but she treated me like one of her own anytime I was in her home. This included scolding me if I stayed out too late with her daughter or failed to set the table properly for dinner. It was wonderful. And equally endearing was her sense of humor. Yet, the best humor was watching her three daughters imitate her, including her dancing in the kitchen, or finding the "trivet", or some other obscure piece of dinnerware. It was the absolute best. She pretended to be offended, but you knew how proud she was. I hope she is doing her dancing up in heaven with Dr. White, who was equally charming, in the most opposite way. We will miss you down here Mrs. White. Thank you for all the love and the laughs.



Deirdre Kissane Stewart

Deirdre Stewart - February 26, 2016 at 04:45 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joanne B. White.



February 26, 2016 at 02:05 PM