



Peter Baird Neville

June 13, 2025

Peter Baird Neville,
August 24, 1952 - June 13, 2025
West Hartford, Connecticut.

With deep sorrow the Neville family announces the death of Peter Baird Neville, who on June 13th, 2025 passed peacefully at home surrounded by his loving family and in the care of hospice.

Peter was born in North Conway, New Hampshire to Edwin Lowe and Joan Mitchell Neville. He spent many wonderful summers in nearby South Conway, hiking the White Mountains, playing tennis, and swimming in Conway Lake with family and friends. The rest of the year was spent in New Canaan, Connecticut where he attended New Canaan Country School and learned to play ice hockey at the New Canaan Winter Club. Peter was also an accomplished equestrian. As a young boy he rode under the tutelage of his uncle, George H. Morris, at the Ox Ridge Hunt Club and competed in many horse shows and won many equestrian events, including shows at Madison Square Garden in New York City.

Peter demonstrated a natural ability to play many sports, but his strength and quickness at hockey and lacrosse were most evident at Deerfield Academy in Deerfield, Massachusetts, where he played three years on the varsity team in

each sport. He was also co-captain of the hockey team with his dear friend, James H. Lindsay. Peter continued the many friendships he made at Deerfield until the end of his life. Peter's deep connection to athletics, his friends, and the outdoors led him to also take up sailing, wing shooting, long distance bicycling, squash, yoga, and many other pursuits over the course of his bountiful and multifaceted life.

Peter received a scholarship to play hockey at the University of Denver, attended the Whittemore School of Business at the University of New Hampshire in Durham, and continued many aspects of further business education throughout his life. His professional life was marked by entrepreneurship, determination, steadfast dedication to his clients in the private wealth sector, and most of all, modesty. He began his financial services career in 1981 with Merrill Lynch in Hartford, Connecticut and joined Morgan Stanley in 1988. Peter evolved with the industry, focusing on ultra-high net worth clients and the intergenerational needs and stewardship required with the wealth transfer process, and was frequently recognized for his professional accomplishments among his peers. In 2012, 2013, and 2014 he ranked number 8, 29, and 30 respectively, including 6 consecutive times in total within the State of Connecticut as one of Barron's Top 1,000 advisors. As part of Morgan Stanley's best-in-class intellectual capital, Peter was a Senior Investment Consultant with the firm's Consulting Group and a graduate of the distinguished Investment Analyst Program at the Wharton School of Business. He was also part of a select group of sustainable investing advisors, earning the title of Investing With Impact Director. Peter's commitment to financial stewardship and investment management enabled him to manage clients with family and individual wealth, but also institutional cash resources for corporations, foundations, and endowments. Trust and estate planning strategies, pre and post liquidity planning, cash and lending services, and strategic asset management are also services that Peter dutifully provided to his clients.

Profoundly important to Peter were his relationships. Family and friends, many of whom he considered to be family, were all foundational to his identity. Peter is survived by his wife of 44 years, Margaret Mary Doe Neville, his daughter Alexandra Whitney Neville Booker (Arthur Breckenridge Booker) of West Hartford, Connecticut, his son Peter Baird Neville Jr. (Amber Ford Neville) of Washington DC, sisters Whitney Neville Harvey (the late Charles Harvey) of Portland, Maine and Cathy Van Aanden Neville of San Diego, California, and brother Matthew Neville (Rosemary Bourget) of South Conway, New Hampshire. Peter was predeceased by both parents and his brother, Edwin L. Neville III (Giovanna Neville) of Tucson, Arizona. Peter is also survived by grandchildren Winston B. Booker, Cecilia W. Booker, Hutchings B. Booker, Emma G. Neville, Ford B. Neville, and many more family members and dear friends.

Visiting hours will be held at Molloy Funeral Home in West Hartford on June 26th from 4 o'clock until 7 o'clock in the evening. Memorial Service will be held at Saint John's Episcopal Church in West Hartford on June 27th at 11 o'clock in the morning. Burial will follow immediately at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Hartford. Reception will take place at The Hartford Golf Club in West Hartford at 1 o'clock in the afternoon. Coat and tie. In lieu of flowers please send donations to The American Cancer Society.

Previous Events

Calling Hours

JUN **26**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Molloy Funeral Home
906 Farmington Avenue
West Hartford, CT 06119

Memorial Service

JUN **27**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. John's Episcopal Church
679 Farmington Ave.
West Hartford, CT

Tribute Wall

PB

“ We are so sorry to hear of Peter’s passing! It was quite unsettling since we just saw his obituary.
Peter was a wonderful client and did a wonderful job managing my portfolio. My husband was so impressed and we were so grateful for his service.
So very sorry for your loss.
Most Sincerely,
Patricia Telman Buonocore &
Joseph DiChillo

Patricia Telman Buonocore - December 09, 2025 at 09:20 PM

KM

“ Peter was a friend and Deerfield classmate. I have gotten to know his son, Peter, in Washington DC

Keith Mackay - July 24, 2025 at 10:01 PM

DW

“ Margaret and family- I just found out about Peter’s passing. I was fortunate to have shared many special times with Peter over the years. We initially bonded over our times playing hockey on Sunday nights at Westminster school, and extended that to our hikes in the White Mountains and numerous exchanges about investing. Peter leaves me with many lasting memories. Don Wilmot

Donald Wilmot - July 09, 2025 at 07:52 PM

LS

“ Hi Alex-

I was so sorry to hear of the passing of your father. What an accomplished man he was. I have been thinking of you. Sending my love and condolences to you and your entire family!

XOXO

Lesley

Lesley A Stone - June 26, 2025 at 04:59 PM

PW

Margaret and kids and grandkids of the inimitable Peter Neville: please accept my condolences on the untimely passing of Peter. May the grief for this loss become tolerable and bearable as soon as is spiritually and emotionally healthy for each and every one individually and collectively.

I am a member of the class of 1970 at Deerfield. My friendly acquaintance with Peter from those days became a warm friendship in October 2012 when he invited me for a beer run that became a long conversation during which we summarized our respective life experiences since high school graduation and I believe we found ourselves simpatico. We saw each other a few times and really talked during those visits and additional phone calls. We particularly had the reciprocal abilities to make each other laugh out loud a lot during all those conversations.

*I have lived in Northern California since fall 1970 so our communications and visits were severely limited by geographic distance as well as all those diverse life experiences. But I was on my way to NY on June 9 and planned to visit a couple other classmates when I first learned that Peter was very ill. I texted him on my early morning on Monday June 9 to tell that I knew and how I felt about him. He texted me back quickly to acknowledge my message and, of course, make me laugh...which, of course, he did. But a few hours later (around 4pm his time) he called me and we talked and we said all we had to say. An extraordinarily generous gesture by Peter under his circumstances at that time...but why should any of us be surprised... that's who he was strong, courageous, kind and very generous of spirit. As I write this what suddenly came to my mind what the father said to the older brother after the tragic death of the younger brother and brilliant fisherman in the wonderful little book: *A River Runs Through It*. "What did we really know about him? That he was beautiful."*

Can you see him now? I can he's on the ice a Deerfield skating alone at full speed. God speed P

Paul Wolf - June 26, 2025 at 07:43 PM

SK

“ So sorry to learn of Peter’s untimely passing. We remember many enjoyable conversations with him over the backyard fence during our 15 years as neighbors on Walbridge Road. Thinking of you, Margaret, and the kids.

Susan and Fred Kemp - June 26, 2025 at 12:08 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Peter Baird Neville.



June 26, 2025 at 11:39 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Peter Baird Neville.

June 26, 2025 at 11:39 AM

DD

“ D. Gentner and Wartburg Boards of Dir. purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Peter Baird Neville.



D. Gentner and Wartburg Boards of Dir. - June 25, 2025 at 01:44 PM

DD

“ D. Gentner and Wartburg Boards of Dir. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Peter Baird Neville.

D. Gentner and Wartburg Boards of Dir. - June 25, 2025 at 01:44 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Peter Baird Neville.



June 24, 2025 at 09:09 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Peter Baird Neville.

June 24, 2025 at 09:09 PM

DL

“ Debi and Rabbit Lockwood purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Peter Baird Neville.



Debi and Rabbit Lockwood - June 24, 2025 at 11:55 AM

MR

“ Alex, Breck, I’m so sorry for all of you and your family. I only got to know Peter the last few years when he joined our weekend paddle group as a “rookie” but he took to it very quickly and played very well. He was also a delight to get to know as we shared many Saturday paddle lunches together. While he was a good paddle buddy for only a short time, he was the classic “good guy” we will all miss. I hope your sadness now will turn to fond memories in due time. May his memory be a blessing to you all. Fondly, Michael Reilly

Michael Reilly - June 24, 2025 at 08:57 AM



“ Always a gentleman with a friendly smile, warm greeting, and will be missed by family and friends, rest in peace and our thoughts and prayers to the Neville family Norma & John

John Green - June 24, 2025 at 06:22 AM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Peter Baird Neville.



June 23, 2025 at 03:48 PM