



Sherry Lynn Brown-Marfuggi

June 14, 2022

Sherry Lynn Brown-Marfuggi, long time resident of Hartford, CT, passed away peacefully on June 14, 2022 at the age of 75. Despite a long and difficult illness, Sherry's life was a joyful one, filled with music and a dedication to public service and to the people she loved.

Born in Michigan, Sherry moved to Norwich, Connecticut as a teenager. She soon settled in Guilford, Connecticut, marrying Louis Weady. While in Guilford, Sherry raised her children while helping with the family business. She got her first taste of political intrigue by participating in the town board of selectman and board of education races. After a short stint as a small business owner left her unfulfilled, she cemented her calling in the rough and rowdy world of politics. She began by volunteering for several local and state races and soon joined forces with the now-retired Senator Joseph I. Lieberman, serving in key positions for him while in elected office and in his campaigns, including his historic campaign for Vice President, his campaign for President, and his successful independent run for Senate in 2006. Throughout her career, Sherry used her talents in the political arena to effect important Connecticut firsts such as helping to bring the 1996 Presidential Debate to Hartford.

Upon retirement, Sherry kept her focus on politics through a private consulting company but largely turned toward what mattered to her most – women's advancement and music. She favored organizations that helped women reach

their full potential and those that sponsored children's music lessons. She established the Sherry L. Brown-Marfuggi Family Fund as a means of recognizing charitable organizations working to improve the lives of school age children through exposure to music.

During her life, Sherry was a director of the Komen CT for the Cure, a Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center Corporator, a Bushnell Overseer, and a member of the fundraising committee of the Hartford Public Library. She was also a Malta House of Care "Wonder Woman" honoree. Sherry was a member of the Town & County Club where she happily worked on issues impacting women and girls in the Hartford community.

In 2018, Sherry married the love of her life, Joseph Marfuggi, former president and CEO of Hartford's Riverfront Recapture. Before illness took over, Sherry and Joe travelled, attended the theatre, ate good Italian food, and above all else, watched college basketball.

For nearly 30 years, Sherry fought disease that would have crippled many, enduring constant physical pain to mark items off her bucket list, make her mark on the political and music worlds, and enjoy a meaningful life with the husband that predeceased her.

Sherry leaves behind a brother, Jerry Brown (married to Julia Brown), two children, Barbara Hennessy (married to Matthew Hennessy) and Matthew Weady (married to Lois Weady) and two grandchildren. Sherry is also survived by several members of Mr. Marfuggi's immediate family.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Wednesday June 22, 2022 at 10 am. in the Church of St. Patrick St. Anthony, 285 Church Street, Hartford, followed by a luncheon at the Town & County Club, 22 Woodland Street, Hartford. Entombment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to the Charter Oak Cultural

Center or another worthy charity that supports music lessons for school-aged children. Molloy Funeral Home, West Hartford has care of arrangements.

Online expressions of sympathy may be made at www.molloyfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

JUN **22**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Patrick St. Anthony Church
285 Church Street
Hartford, CT

Tribute Wall

CD

“ *Sherry was a wonderful neighbor and friend. We have been lucky to get to know her and greatly admired her keep-moving-forward attitude. She will be very much missed. Our condolences to Sherry's family.*

Chris and Melissa Doyle

Chris and Melissa Doyle - June 20, 2022 at 08:19 PM

DA

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Dave - June 20, 2022 at 10:52 AM

DA

“ *My sage, my friend, my Auntie - it took her forever to become a member of our clan - I will miss having conversations with her, joking, and most importantly, her friendship. Now you and Joey can once again attend the Bushnell together.*

Dave - June 20, 2022 at 10:51 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Sherry Lynn Brown-Marfuggi.



June 19, 2022 at 09:13 PM



“ She helped me so many, many times. Thank you Sherry and sincerest condolences to your entire family.

Mark Davis - June 19, 2022 at 07:16 AM



“ Grateful to have been staff under Sherry for the historical 2006 CT Senate Campaign, followed by work in the CT Senate office, with Sherry leading the charge. Sherry's impactful legacy will be felt locally, statewide and nationally. With condolences...

Elaine Werner

Elaine Werner - June 17, 2022 at 02:42 PM



“ Such a wonderful and always helpful person. It's been many years since we spoke but whenever I needed assistance for my community Sherry was always there. So happy I had the pleasure to work with her. I hope that her family finds comfort in memories, faith and each other. Peace

Patrick Tallarita - June 16, 2022 at 08:43 PM

MG

“ Having known Sherry and Joe Independently of each other during different periods in both their lives the world is a sadder place for their departures. Sherry was an amazingly accomplished person working for lots of great people and producing a few herself. I will miss her smiling face and occasional arm twisting. Safe travels dear.

Michael Grunberg - June 16, 2022 at 04:29 PM

MA

“ So very sorry. Sherry was a sweet, loving friend and neighbor and a real star in her chosen profession. Our lives are richer for having known her. Condolences to her grieving family. Our hearts are with you.

Mollie and Albert Abend

Mollie and Albert Abend - June 16, 2022 at 01:54 PM

JE

“ My sister was the most kind, loving and supporting sister a brother could want. I love you and I'll miss you forever.

Jerry - June 16, 2022 at 08:36 AM