



Tom Kellogg

February 11, 2005

Thomas Orcutt Kellogg, 58, of Avon, Connecticut, beloved husband, father, son, brother, and friend died unexpectedly Friday evening in New Hampshire. He will be missed by his wife of 37 years, Kathleen Williams Kay, his children Elizabeth Kellogg Wolfe and her husband John, his son Peter and his wife Amanda Child and his grandchildren Madeline Wolfe and Patti Kellogg whom he adored.

Tom was born and raised in Mahopac, New York. He graduated from Mahopac High School where he excelled academically and in sports. He was a state champion alpine skier. He attended St. Lawrence University, where he met his wife, Kay. He graduated from Cornell Law School in 1971. He then practiced law for eighteen years in New York and Connecticut. He later changed careers finding his focus in small business finance. Tom founded Business Lenders, Inc. and Commercial Loan Partners. Both businesses continue to provide loans to new and established businesses using the US Small Business Administration finance programs. Tom truly enjoyed helping small businesses grow and succeed. He was recognized for this work by both the national and regional SBA offices. He was co-chair of CT's delegation to the White House Council on Small Business.

For Tom, family and community came first. While his children were in school in Simsbury, he served on the Board of Education, was president of the Friends

of Simsbury Crew and served on the Simsbury Charter Revision Commission. He was an active member of the Hartford Rotary Club for many years.

Skiing, golf and bridge were among his lifetime enjoyments. He loved to laugh and was known for his story-telling. His fondest memories involved his children: vacationing every summer in the Adirondacks, sharing his love of skiing with his children, and trekking 110miles through New Mexico with his son. He particularly delighted in being a grandfather. He cared for his granddaughter, Madeline every week during his "Mondays with Madeline." He spent his 58th birthday celebrating his granddaughter Patti's first birthday in Hawaii.

In addition to his immediate family, he will be missed by his father DeLong Bud and step mother Virginia Kellogg of Naples FL, his brother Jeffrey and his sister-in-law Cheryl of Carmel, NY, his brother David and his sister-in-law Susan, of Newtown, CT, his brother-in-law Roger Williams and his wife Carolyn of Syracuse, NY, sister-in-law Barbara Williams of Fairfield, CT and his mother-in-law Margery Mills of Telford, PA as well as his nieces and nephews Jessica, Ryan, Julie, Alison and Grace Kellogg and David and Kara Williams.

Tom and Kay are members of Asylum Hill Congregational Church. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Jerusalem YMCA c/o National YMCA Fund, 101 North Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606, Covenant to Care 120 Mountain Ave., Suite 212, Bloomfield, CT 06002 or Putnam Hospital Center, Stoneleigh Ave., Carmel, NY10512.

Calling hours will be Tuesday from 2-4 and 7-9PM, at the Molloy Funeral Home 906 Farmington Ave. West Hartford, CT 06119. A memorial service celebrating Tom's life will take place at Asylum Hill Congregational Church, Asylum Street, Hartford, CT on Wednesday at 1PM.

Tribute Wall



“ I was shocked and saddened to hear of Tom's passing. While I only knew Tom as David's older brother while growing up in Mahopac and years later when David and I attended SLU, I was aware of the impact he had in our community. I can only imagine the depth of your sorrow. Please know my thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.##imported-begin##Cheryll Gary Martin##imported-end##

February 17, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Kay,

We just heard of Tom's death and are so sad for you and your family and all the rest of us. We will always remember him for his positive outlook and entrepreneurial spirit. He left his mark on lots of people and organizations. And with you he produced two beautiful children to carry on his legacy. Please know you are loved and prayed for by the Browns.##imported-begin##Tony and Teddie Brown##imported-end##

February 17, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Though I knew Mr. Kellogg mostly through high school with Pete, I remember him fondly. He was always so warm, so welcoming, and so friendly. He seemed obviously proud of his children, and was no doubt a wonderful father. He will be greatly missed by the many people whose lives he touched. My prayers and thoughts are with you all. Take care of yourselves and each other.

Sincerely,

Erin Wysong Hofstatter##imported-begin##Erin Wysong Hofstatter##imported-end##

February 16, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Tom had such wonderful insights, he was one who could surly see the forest through the trees. He had faith and saw promise in me and my company when few others did. He made the dreary loan process bearable and almost enjoyable. He will be truly missed. I had hoped to see him and have lunch when our loan was finally paid off and I will surely toast him on that day.

With fond memories, Bruce LeFebvre###imported-begin##BRUCE LEFEBVRE###imported-end##

February 16, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Kay & Family,
I am shocked and saddened on hearing about Tom's unexpected passing. I hold fond memories of my early career at Business Lenders. Tom created an open, nurturing atmosphere at BLL that was most unique & cherished.
We extend our deepest sympathy to you, Elizabeth & Peter & Family during this very difficult time. You are in our thoughts and prayers.###imported-begin##Heather & Tom O'Brien###imported-end##

February 15, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Kay,

My deepest sympathy to you and your children. After many years out of touch I had occasion to chat with Tom a number of times recently. So glad I did. You are in my prayers.###imported-begin##Kevin Budds###imported-end##

February 15, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Kay and Family,
I was profoundly saddened to hear of Tom's untimely passing. We met at Connecticut General in 1981 when I had just started and the merger with INA was announced. Tom went out of his way to ease my transition into a new organization in an unsettled environment, both on the job and by inviting me to dinner at your home in Simsbury. I remember Tom's good-natured competitive spirit, demonstrated in his approach to his work and during lunchtime runs around the Bloomfield campus. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.##imported-begin##Alan Innes##imported-end##

February 15, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear John, Beth, Madeline and Kellogg Family - Our hearts and best wishes are with you as we can not be here to support in person at this trying time.

Much Love Caroline, Mark, Quinn and Marcia Keeney##imported-begin##Caroline Keeney##imported-end##

February 15, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Kay and your wonderful family: Anita and I are devastated as we know you all are as well! As my boss, Bobby Tannenhauser, said yesterday, "Tom was one of the real class gentleman in our industry". So true! We are so thankful for our time with you both in Jackson Hole. Please feel our love, our sympathy and our prayers. We love you!##imported-begin##Deryl & Anita Schuster##imported-end##

February 15, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Kay,
Please accept my deepest condolences. Tom was a great inspiration to me with regard to fundraising and the Simsbury Crew Team. God bless you and your family.##imported-begin##Sharon McLaughlin Tracy##imported-end##

February 15, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ We're truly saddened by the news. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Kellogg family.##imported-begin##Andy & Janet Kaye##imported-end##

February 15, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Our deepest sympathies go out to you all as you celebrate the life of Tom. John and Pat Crossan and Dot Brady.##imported-begin##John&Pat Crossan##imported-end##

February 15, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Tom will be sincerely missed, he loved life and was an example to follow in the world of professional business lending - our sympathy is with your family.##imported-begin##Carolyn Forst, Jewett City Savings Bank##imported-end##

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“ Kay and Family, I lost my prior work, so I hope this is not redundant. I've known Tom for some 20 years, as a lawyer competing and/or working with him; as his attorney as he developed and then left Business Lenders; and more recently as a Board member of CLP. From these experiences, the thing that impressed me most was Tom's passion. As a lawyer and as a businessman, he really cared about what he was doing and why it mattered. All the time. His need to convince you that he was right, that he had the right idea, that he was doing the right thing. He suffered disappointments with class. I rarely heard him utter a derogatory, personal opinion which, at times, he might have been justified in sharing. I will miss Tom, but what is sadder is that so many others will miss him. Family to be sure, but all those others who, because of his caring, his unique skills, and his passion, would have benefitted from more of his time in this world. My prayers go to you and the rest of his family who will miss him dearly, but who are fortunate to share his genes and the special time he had with you. I truly believe that he was very happy about what he had accomplished at CLP. That he might have gone on to more financial or other accomplishments is academic; I really believe he knew that he had "done good", that this grand experiment was a success, and that he was making a difference, in the way he chose to make it.

Bill Bouton###imported-begin###bill bouton###imported-end###

February 14, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ My memories of Tom are all happy ones - from Business Lenders to Commercial Loan Partners to lunch at the Polish National Home. I valued his energy, integrity and friendship and I offer my sympathy to his friends and family for their loss.###imported-begin###Gary Besser###imported-end###

February 14, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Kay,
My deepest sympathies go with your during this time of sadness. I fondly remember you speaking of Tom taking care of Madeline when she was first born and how much he appreciated all the things we were able to provide your home with for him to be able to do that. You always came into work on Mondays with a new story of what you and he did over the weekend and you spoke with such joy about the simplest things that he did. I can only imagine what you may be going through and want you to know that you and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Nicole Waiksnoris##imported-end##

February 14, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ To Kay and family,
We are so sorry to read about Tom's death. You have our sympathy. Stu and Lorna Nichols Hosley SLU '68##imported-begin##Lorna Hosley##imported-end##

February 14, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Kay and family
I am so sad to hear of Toms passing into heaven - What ever I can do to help please let me know.
Love
Joanne##imported-begin##Dr. Joanne A. Santiago##imported-end##

February 14, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Kay,
I was very sorry to hear of Tom's sudden death.
Tom was a vibrant person:at SLU,at work and in the community.
My deepest sympathy, Gunnar- SLU 1967##imported-
begin##Gunnar Hicks##imported-end##

February 14, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Kay - my heart broke for you, Elizabeth & Peter when I heard the
news... all of you are in my thoughts & prayers as you find your way
through this difficult time.
Mary Helen##imported-begin##Mary Helen##imported-end##

February 14, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ My sincerest condolences to Tom's immediate and extended family.
He was a dedicated individual who will truly be missed by all who
knew him. God Bless.##imported-begin##Barbara
Arena##imported-end##

February 14, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ I was so saddened to hear about the untimely passing of Tom. Mary
and I extend our deepest sympathy to you and your family while you
deal with the most difficult of life's events. We will pray for you that
somehow you find some peace as you celebrate his life.##imported-
begin##Charlie Moret##imported-end##

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“ *##imported-begin##Judy Siegel##imported-end##*

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“ Kay,

My deepest sympathy to you and your family over the loss of Tom. Although I have only known the 2 of you for a short time, I can tell by the care you had for you business, that this was the same love and care you had for all aspects of your lives.

I trust that God will give you as much strength as you and your family can draw from each other during this time of great sorrow.

I know I do not have to tell you how nice a man I thought your husband was, but I also know during this time, you will also not be able to hear it enough.

My prayers and sympathy are with you and your family.

Sincerely, John Hogan, Colson Services Corp.##imported-begin##Joh Hogan##imported-end##

February 14, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Kay,

I am so sad to hear of Tom's passing. He was such a wonderful family man, and yet he was totally devoted to the success of small businesses. He gave me my start in Connecticut as an SBA lender, to which I am truly grateful. He always had kind words to say and was such a positive man. When I last spoke to him he was so happy that he had sweet grandchildren to spoil and was so proud of the success of his own children.

My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Fondly,

Margey O'Brien##imported-begin##Margey O'Brien##imported-end##

February 14, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Kay:

To say I was saddened to hear of Tom's passing would be a huge understatement. I enjoyed his friendship as a business associate at CLP and as a good natured competitor during his time with Business Lenders. He will be sorely missed, not only by his family, but also by his innumerable friends and colleagues. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.##imported-begin##Ed Burke##imported-end##

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“ Kay, Rena & I were stunned when we received a call Saturday telling us that Tom had died at your "retreat" house in Grantham. Working to help small businesses and living in NH are things that both our families enjoyed. Tom will be missed greatly by us, SBA and small businesses. Words cannot express our deep sympathy for your loss of Tom. Our thoughts & prayers are with you. Bill & Rena Murray##imported-begin##Bill and Rena Murray##imported-end##

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