



Obituary

Born: Monday, October 21, 1957

Died: Friday, June 11, 2021

TOTTEN, Diane CL (Longfield), passed away Friday, June 11, 2021 after living with recurrent breast cancer metastasized. Diane was the loving wife of Vietnam Navy veteran, masonry instructor and business owner, John R. Totten, of Cape Cod and Boston.

Diane was born and raised in East Boston. She attended Boston public schools until she graduated from Pope John XXIII High School in Everett. She was an excellent student and actively involved in many extracurricular activities, including Junior Achievement.

Diane was a hard worker. She often worked two jobs, beginning employment at Liberty Market, East Boston, where she was promoted several times before graduating high school.

Diane earned her bachelor's degree in Sociology, summa cum laude, from Framingham State College. Following a vocation in the travel industry, she transitioned into a career in Consumer Relations and Human Resources and further pursued her studies in business and law. In later years, as a Management contractor/consultant, Diane partnered with senior decision-makers of major corporations and start-up companies. She also assumed operations of her husband's seasonal contracting business.

Diane was well-liked and had many interests. She was a former member of the Boston Ski and Sports Association and Ski Wheelers. She had a passion for musical theater and dance, both as a patron and performer. In her quiet moments, she enjoyed writing.

Diane relocated several times before residing on Cape Cod, in the Boston area and on the South Shore with her husband John, sharing with him her fondness for travel, big band music and ballroom dance.

Diane will affectionately be remembered for her caring, generous and thoughtful ways.

Diane's parents were the late Wilbert "Bill" Longfield and Anne J. (Rigano) Longfield of Cambridge, formerly of East Boston. Her sister was the late Julie Longfield of Revere and East Boston. She is survived by her brother, "Chuck" Longfield and wife, "Susie Mees-Longfield of Cambridge, niece, Kate and nephews, Tim and Matt Longfield, plus many loving cousins.

Family and friends will honor Diane's life by gathering in the Short, Williamson & Diamond Funeral Home, 52 Trapelo Road, BELMONT on Thursday, June 17 from 3-7 p.m. and again at Friday at 9 a.m. before leaving in procession to Sacred Heart Church, 770 Mt. Auburn St., Watertown for a funeral Mass to be celebrated in her honor at 10 a.m. Interment will follow at the Mt. Auburn Cemetery, 580 Mt. Auburn St., Cambridge. Services are smoke and fragrance free. Family requests facial

Service Summary

Visitation

3:00 PM to 7:00 PM, Thu Jun 17, 2021

Short, Williamson & Diamond

52 Trapelo Road
Belmont, MA 02478

Funeral Mass

10:00 AM Fri Jun 18, 2021

Sacred Heart Parish

770 Mount Auburn Street
Watertown, MA 02472

coverings/masks at visitation and services.
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