

# OBITUARY

## Denis Basak

MIDDLEFIELD – Denis G. Basak, 63 a loving husband and an amazing father, passed away on May 23, 2017 in Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center surrounded by his loving family following a brief illness. Born March 10, 1954 in Holyoke, MA, son of the late Joseph Basak and Ethal (Jackson) Lancastor. He was raised in South Hadley. He later moved to the island of Barbados where he lived for 14 years until his return to the states settling in Middlefield.

While living in Barbados, he was the original Dos Equis guy, he owned JD's Big Time Lounge, he was the Captain of his boat the Manta Ray and owned a machine and milling shop. Upon his return to Massachusetts, Denis worked as an Engineer for Decker MachineWorks in Ashfield, MA for many, many years. He was an EMT and was a First Lieutenant in the Civil Air Patrol. He served his community as a Selectman for the Town of Middlefield.

Denis was the true "MacGyver;" he was extremely intelligent and handy in every way. He referred to himself as a "cheap Yankee," and an avid collector of just about everything, especially cars. His family remem-

bers his love for the beverage Moxie and the bag of candy he always had with him. Denis' earthly life took him on many voyages which he truly loved. We hope this last voyage will be a wonderful journey home to heaven.



He will be deeply missed by his wife, Belynda (Covey) Basak of Middlefield, four children, Eric Basak (wife Beverly) of Woodstock, CT, Sarah Thompson (husband Chris) of S. Hadley, Kelsey Basak and Timothy Basak both of Middlefield. He also leaves a sister June Carpenter (husband Steve and their daughter Laurel) of S. Hadley, two step daughters, Elizabeth and Keagan, and nine grandchildren, Ava, Gunnar, Christopher, Mia, Kayden, Alyssa, Ellis, Aylee and Ezriah. Funeral services will be private however there will be a gathering at the Middlefield Town Hall on Sunday, June 4 from 2-4 p.m. to remember Denis and Celebrate his Life, all are welcome. Beers & Story South Hadley Funeral Home was entrusted with his arrangements. In lieu of flowers, please make donations in his memory to the Tim Basak College Fund, c/o United Bank, 1830 Northampton St., Holyoke, MA 01040. For more information, please visit [www.beersandstory.com](http://www.beersandstory.com).

# DEATH NOTICE

## BASAK, DENIS G.

Died May 23, 2017  
Celebration of Life June 4, 2017  
Middlefield Town Hall

Country Journal  
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# PUBLIC NOTICES

### BECKET CONSERVATION COMMISSION LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF BECKET

**Notice of Public Meeting**  
The Becket Conservation Commission will hold a Public Meeting on **Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 6:30 PM** at Becket Town Hall, 557 Main Street, Becket, MA to review a **Request for Determination of Applicability from Center Pond Weed Project** for the removal of aquatic invasive plant species in Center Pond and within the watershed/drainage basin of Center Pond. **Project location is Center Pond (Maps 210 & 211).**

This hearing is being held in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 131 Section 40 of the Wetland Protection Act.  
06/01/17

### TOWN OF CUMMINGTON BIDS FOR HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT

The Town of Cummington seeks **sealed bids** for the following equipment with or without operator, to be on call from July 1, 2017 through June 2018.

- Large Excavator: 9-12 ton 10 Wheel or tri-axle dump truck
- Bulldozer
- Backhoes
- Bucket loader
- Rubber tired excavator
- Chippers
- Rake and broom tractor
- Seeding machine
- Bucket truck

Bids are to be submitted in sealed envelopes marked "2017-2018 Highway Equipment" and mailed or delivered to the Board of Selectmen, Town of

Cummington, P.O. Box 128, 33 Main Street, Cummington, MA 01026 **before 7:30 p.m. June 29, 2017** at which time they will be opened and publicly read aloud at the Community House, 33 Main Street, Cummington, MA.

The Board of Selectmen reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids in whole or in part according to the best interest of the Town.

**Russell L. Sears, III,** Chairman  
**Monica M. Vandolosi,** William F. Adams  
Board of Selectmen  
06/01/17

### BECKET CONSERVATION COMMISSION LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF BECKET

**Notice of Public Hearing**  
The Becket Conservation Commission will hold a Public Meeting on **Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 6:30 PM** at Becket Town Hall, 557 Main Street, Becket, MA to review a **Notice of Intent from Garth Klimchuk**, for landscaping and masonry work within the buffer-zone of Center Pond. Project location is 31 Rosner Drive, (Map 210, Lot 26).

This hearing is being held in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 131 Section 40 of the Wetland Protection Act.  
06/01/17

### BECKET CONSERVATION COMMISSION LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF BECKET

**Notice of Public Meeting**  
The Becket Conservation Commission will hold a Public Meeting on **Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 6:30 PM** at

Becket Town Hall, 557 Main Street, Becket, MA to review a **Request for Determination of Applicability from Lydia Rosner**, for aquatic vegetation removal in Center Pond adjacent to private property and private docks. **Location of private property is 95 Rosner Lane, (Map 210, Lot 27).**

This hearing is being held in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 131 Section 40 of the Wetland Protection Act.  
06/01/17

### BECKET CONSERVATION COMMISSION LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF BECKET

**Notice of Public Hearing**  
The Becket Conservation Commission will hold a Public Meeting on **Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 6:30 PM** at Becket Town Hall, 557 Main Street, Becket, MA to review a **Notice of Intent from Maurice Henry**, for the demolition of existing house and construction of a new house, tight tank, and well within the buffer-zone and the bordering land subject to flooding surrounding Greenwater Pond. **Project Location is 3805 Jacob's Ladder Road, (Map 201, Lot 17).**

This hearing is being held in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 131 Section 40 of the Wetland Protection Act.  
06/01/17

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The Becket Conservation Commission will hold a Public

Meeting on **Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 6:30 PM** at Becket Town Hall, 557 Main Street, Becket, MA to review a **Notice of Intent from Robert Maratea**, for the re-establishment of a beach and installation of a floating dock on Lancelot Lake. **Project location is 109 Lancelot Lane, (Map 217, Lot 85).**

This hearing is being held in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 131 Section 40 of the Wetland Protection Act.  
06/01/17

### BECKET CONSERVATION COMMISSION LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF BECKET

**Notice of Public Meeting**  
The Becket Conservation Commission will hold a Public Meeting on **Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 6:30 PM** at Becket Town Hall, 557 Main Street, Becket, MA to review a **Request for Determination of Applicability from Susan Volk - Weiss**, for the upgrade of an existing septic system in the Riverfront Area of Yokum Brook and buffer-zone of an intermittent stream. **Project location 1048 Benton Hill Road (Map 207, Lot 75).**

This hearing is being held in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 131 Section 40 of the Wetland Protection Act.  
06/01/17

### TOWN OF WORTHINGTON Board of Appeals NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to MA General Laws Ch 40A, section 11, as amended, the Zoning Board of Appeals for the Town of Worthington will hold a public

hearing on **Wednesday, June 14, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.** at the Town Hall, 160 Huntington Rd. The hearing is being held on an application for a side yard variance from the setback requirements set forth in Section V. 2, of the Zoning By-law, filed by Robert Speiss and Judith D. Speiss. The variance is sought pursuant to Section VIII. C. 3 of said By-law in order to allow the construction of garage which would encroach upon the required side yard setback area. The affected premises are located at 209 Old North Rd., Rte. 143 (Assessors' map 206, lot 40). The application is available for inspection at the office of the Town Clerk during her business hours.

May 17, 2017  
Worthington Board of Appeals  
**Stephen T. Smith,** Chair  
05/25, 06/01/17

LEGAL NOTICE of PUBLIC MEETING  
Williamsburg Conservation Commission  
06/01/17

### Williamsburg MA 01096

The Williamsburg Conservation Commission, in accordance with MGL Chapter 131, Section 40, the Wetlands Protection Act, will hold a public meeting on **Thursday, June 15, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.** at the Williamsburg town offices, 141 Main St., Haydenville, MA to review a Notice of Intent submitted by Frances Tilley.

The subject area or activity is located at 11 Valleyview Road, Williamsburg, MA 01096.  
06/01/17

### LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF RUSSELL

Pursuant to Chapter 87 of the Massachusetts General Laws, there will be a public hearing at Russell Town Hall on **Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 6:30 PM** to consider the removal of 3 Red Maple trees located at 98 to 108 Highland Avenue. Specific trees have been posted in accordance with the law.

Louis E. Garlo  
Tree Warden  
5/25, 06/01/17

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