

# OBITUARIES

## Frank Antonucci

HUNTINGTON – Frank E. Antonucci, 72, devoted husband and father, prominent attorney, loyal friend and committed advocate for the public good, passed away at his home in Huntington, MA on Saturday, June 17, 2017 with his family at his side. Born in Worcester, MA, March 8, 1945, Frank graduated from the University of Massachusetts in 1967 with a Bachelor of Arts in Government. He earned a Juris Doctor with Cum Laude standing from Western New England Law School in 1972 and was admitted to the Massachusetts Bar the same year. Attorney Antonucci was in private practice for 45 years and maintained law offices in Springfield, Lenox and the Berkshires. An active contributor to civic life in the city of Springfield, and throughout the First and Second Congressional districts, Frank worked closely with Springfield's Mayor's Office, served as Springfield's City Solicitor and as legal consultant for the City of Westfield, and towns of Agawam, Alford, and Chester MA.

In 1981, Frank moved with his family to Huntington, MA, where he served as town counselor and was an active member of both the Conservation and Water Safety committees. An avid gardener and

chef specializing in his own farm-to-table cuisine in all seasons, Frank enjoyed over three decades of life in the hilltowns.

In addition to traveling widely across Canada and the United States, Frank made frequent trips to Italy and enjoyed visiting the United Kingdom, France, Germany, Switzerland, Spain and Ecuador, including the Galapagos Islands. Frank followed the Boston Red Sox closely from spring training through the World Series and was often found in his seats at Fenway Park. Attorney Antonucci's passion for classical music, history and Berkshire scenery inspired regular visits to Tanglewood, Arrowhead and up Monument Mountain.

Frank is survived by Marilyn, his wife of 51 years, had his sons Michael and Anthony, daughter-in-law Madeline Fan, grandson Ernesto, brother Thomas F. Antonucci, sister Ruth M. Antonucci. He was preceded by his parents Anthony F. Antonucci and Nellie Dauganikas. A funeral mass was held at Mt. Carmel Church in Springfield on Tuesday, June 27th. The Antonucci family asks that in lieu of flowers donations be made in memory of Frank E. Antonucci to the Dana Farber Cancer Center, 10 Brookline Place West, 6th floor, Brookline, MA 02445.

## Charlene Hunter

MIDDLEFIELD – Charlene Marie Hunter, 52, of Middlefield, MA, died Wednesday, May 24, 2017 at Berkshire Medical Center in Pittsfield.

She was born on Sept. 2, 1964 in Pittsfield, MA, the daughter of Donald and Shirley Morey Savery. She was a graduate of Gateway High School, Class of 1982. Charlene worked as an attendant for the former Diesel Dan's in Lee, for O'Connell Oil as an Assistant Manager, as a bookkeeper for High Lawn Farm and then for Agway in Pittsfield.

She loved her home, gardening, making jams, baking, going to tag sales with her friends and her mother-in-law. She was very proud of her home and house plants and enjoyed taking care of her sister's dog, Matilda.

Charlene is survived by her husband: Charles H. Hunter, Jr. whom she has been in love with for 28 years; her mother-in-law: Shirley Hunter of South Lee; two brothers: Donald Savery and his wife Kim of Middlefield and Clyde Savery and his wife Yvonne of Hinsdale; two sisters: Linda Cahalan and her husband Tom of South Lee and Cindy Janik and her husband Dave of Russell; her brother-in-law Warren Hunter and his wife Cheri and their children Amanda, Mollie and Sammy all of Florida; three nieces: Jessica Cahalan Robertson of PA, Jennifer Allan of VA and Faith Savery of Middlefield; and her neph-

ew: Jeffrey "Jay" Burns of CA. She is predeceased by her parents and her nephew, Thomas Cahalan.

A graveside service will be held on Saturday, July 15 at 11 a.m. at the Pine Grove Cemetery in Middlefield with the Rev. Connie Morrison officiating.

Friends wishing may make donations to the Middlefield Fire Department in c/o the Kelly Funeral Home, 3 Main Street, Lee, MA 01238.

If you would like to leave a message of condolence or share pictures please visit our web site at [www.kellyfuneralhome.net](http://www.kellyfuneralhome.net)



## Ruth Pardoe

HUNTINGTON – Ruth Wood Pardoe died at Joy Hill, her home in Huntington, MA, on June 20, 2017, with her family by her side. Ruth Wood was born on July 31, 1924 in West Springfield, the eldest of five sisters, to Berton Wood and Helen Bessie Moore Wood. She graduated from West Springfield High School in 1942 and went on to attend Smith College, graduating with a BA in American Studies in 1946. She later earned an MA in History from Ohio State University, and certification as a school librarian from C.W. Post College of Long Island.

She met Irving Gold, a musician, in 1944, and they married over Christmas the next year. They lived a nomadic existence for the next few years, Irving playing viola in several symphony orchestras while Ruth pursued her post-graduate studies, before returning to NY to raise a family. They had three sons, Peter, Michael and Jeremy. In 1956, Ruth and Irving bought the property known as Joy Hill, in Huntington, Massachusetts. It became her favorite spot and her final resting place.

Ruth worked for years as the school librarian, at Syosset High School on Long Island. The job brought her great satisfaction. There she met her second husband, history teacher David Pardoe. When they retired, on their union pensions, Ruth and David traveled extensively, exploring ruins, enjoying local customs, and

making friends. Crete, Southern France, and Tuscany were three or four month destinations every winter. Summers, they spent a month on the Pardoe family island in Canada, then returned to Joy Hill for the fall.

Ruth always felt a responsibility to live by her values. She was passionate about politics, the arts, the environment, and the human condition. As a young mother, she recognized the benefits of preschool education and was instrumental in starting the concept of kindergarten. She took great pride in the way that it grew into universal access.

Ruth served as a volunteer at the food bank of Western Mass and the Northampton Survival Center, a board member of the Commonwealth Opera, and a member of the Hilltown Land Trust board of directors. The conservation restriction on the land surrounding her home on Joy Hill was the first held by the Hilltown Land Trust. Ruth said, "It is such a joy to know that generations after us, people will still be able to come up this road, stop, and look out over the hills. The view will be a joy for others long after we're gone."

Ruth and her husband David had a vision of a summer arts festival hosting music, theater, spoken word, dance and visual arts. They began three decades ago

with extensive renovations to Huntington's North Hall, one of the oldest continuously operating public buildings in the Commonwealth. The programs, continuing for more than 20 years, are an enduring legacy, bringing together artists and audiences from all over the valley, and beyond.

Ruth made numerous contributions to the community she loved and was recently honored with the dedication of the annual Huntington Town Report. She best summed up her accomplishments in her own words, "There is nothing more rewarding in this life than helping in some way to make this a better world."

Ruth was predeceased by her first and second husbands, her son Michael, and her sisters Betty and Myrtle. She is survived by her sons Peter and Jeremy Gold, her sisters Jean Gaitenby and Miriam Watkins, and their children and grandchildren. A celebration will be held on Saturday, July 29, at Joy Hill.

Ruth left explicit instructions. "Have a party. Raise a glass to life. Enjoy some good food and reminisce a bit. It's been a good life."

Contributions in Ruth's memory can be made to North Hall, and the Northampton Survival Center.



# PUBLIC NOTICES

### TOWN OF BLANDFORD WATER DEPARTMENT PUBLIC NOTICE

The Blandford Water Department has completed its annual **Consumer Confidence Report**. Copies of the report will be mailed directly to water customers. Copies may also be obtained from the Water Department Office at the Town Hall, at the Porter Memorial Library, or at the Post Office. Please contact the Water Department Secretary, with any questions. The reports can also be read online at <http://townofblandford.com/2016-CCR-final.pdf>

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### LEGAL NOTICE of PUBLIC MEETING Williamsburg Conservation Commission 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: **13, July, 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.  
07/06/17

### TOWN OF WORTHINGTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

**Notice of Public Hearing**  
In accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 131, Section 40, the Worthington Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing in response to a **Request for Determination of Applicability** for site work to be done at **44 Fairgrounds Road**. The Hearing will be held **Thursday, July 20 at 7:00 PM**, at Worthington Town Hall.  
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The subject area or activity is located at 7 Depot Rd., Haydenville, MA.  
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