



## Dean R. Erickson

December 18, 1945 - March 16, 2017

Dean R. Erickson, 71, of West Hartford, beloved husband of over 46 years to Anne (Benet) Erickson, passed away Thursday (March 16, 2017) at his home surrounded by his family. Born in New Britain, son of the late Burt and Eileen (Anderson) Erickson, Dean has lived in West Hartford since 1974. A US Marine Corps. veteran of the Vietnam Conflict, he is a graduate of CCSU in 1972 and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 1987. Dean was employed as an English Teacher at Bloomfield High School from 1972 until 1979; Worked at Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance in Computer Technology from 1980-2000; and then at Cigna Corp as an Information Architect from 2001-2008.

Besides his wife Anne, he leaves a daughter, Kristen Taylor and her husband Keith of Hartford; son, Kyle Erickson and his wife Natasha of West Hartford; two brothers, Alan Erickson and his wife Maria of Bristol; and Keith Erickson of Newington; a sister, Lee Sirotnak and her husband John of Southington; and two grandchildren, Alexander and Annalise Erickson. He was predeceased by a brother, Glenn Erickson.

Funeral Services are Wednesday (March 22, 2017) 11 AM at South Church, 90 Main Street, New Britain. Burial with military honors will follow in the Connecticut Veterans Cemetery, Middletown. Calling hours are Tuesday 4 to 7 PM at Carlson Funeral Home, 45 Franklin Square, New Britain. Memorial donations may be made to the Helen & Harry Gray Cancer Center, c/o

Hartford Hospital, 85 Retreat Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106 or to Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF), 26 Broadway, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10004 or to a charity of the donor's choice. Please share a memory or note of sympathy at [www.carlsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.carlsonfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## CT Veterans Cemetery

Bow Lane  
Middletown, CT

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

MAR 21. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Carlson Funeral Home  
45 Franklin Square  
New Britain, CT 06051  
(860) 225-6361  
carlsonfh@aol.com  
<https://www.carlsonfuneralhome.com/>

## Funeral Service

MAR 22. 11:00 AM (ET)

South Church  
90 Main Street  
New Britain, CT

# Tribute Wall

TK

“ *To Dean's family....  
I worked with Dean when he was at Connecticut Mutual and always liked him. I just learned of his death and am greatly saddened. I'm aware of Dean's service to our country and have thought of him often over the years. Please accept my belated condolences. I will keep Dean in my prayers.*  
Tom Kruczek

---

**Tom Kruczek** - April 01, 2018 at 05:03 PM

DJ

“ *Allen and Keith and Lee, I never saw this until just today May 26th, Please accept my much belated condolences. Allen, you are literally 4 streets from me, Let's get together Cousin. Dale Johnson*

---

**Dale Johnson** - May 26, 2017 at 08:25 PM

RV  
Shelby

“ Anne,  
*Sue and I send our love and hugs in this difficult time. We were not ready to lose the chance to be with Dean, again. Still, you and Dean shared so many times together and raised a wonderful family. We are thankful for that.*

*I am glad I had the chance to work with Dean at CM, and to see him apply his passion for life in his work. Dean inspired folks at CM to do work above and beyond anything they had done before. And it was great to see that sense of accomplishment that he brought to the folks there.*

*I am so very sorry that we have lost him, and that you have lost him. His life is an integral part of the lives of so many of us, and we will always carry Dean with us. I miss him.*

*Love,  
Ron Shelby*

---

**RV Shelby** - April 14, 2017 at 08:43 AM

DL

“ Anne & Kristen, so sorry for your loss. I know we haven't seen each other in many years but we have thought of you often. Dean was such a wonderful man. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.  
*Dede & Hilary*

---

**Dede Levy** - March 27, 2017 at 02:27 PM

NJ

“ Gracious. Warm. Generous. Sincere. Hard working. Family man. Intelligent. Loyal. Easy smile. Great laugh. Huggable. MISSED 😞  
Life well lived. Fly high angel you earned your wings



---

**nancy johnson** - March 21, 2017 at 01:55 AM

RH

“ Anne, I'm out of the country and just heard of Dean's passing. Dean and I were friends for over 60 Years! We had many fine adventures together in New Britain. My thoughts and prayers go out to you and the family during this sad time. With deepest sympathy, Richard and Elise Helmecki

---

**Richard Helmecki** - March 20, 2017 at 04:41 PM

KM

“ Oh Annie, I am incredibly saddened to hear of Dean's passing far too young. I have so many fond memories of our years back at CCSU and the apartment on Lincoln Street. I've thought of both of you often since then. I still have the comedy/tragedy pin you two brought back for me from your honeymoon. Dean was such a fine man and he leaves an enormous hole, but he also leaves a wonderful legacy. My deepest sympathy to you and the rest of the family. Much love and many hugs - Kristine (Johnson) Mothersele

---

**Kristine Johnson Mothersele** - March 20, 2017 at 09:14 AM