



## Patricia (Connelly) Beckius

August 9, 1943 - August 25, 2023

Patricia (Connelly) Beckius, 80, of Newington, wife of Kenneth Beckius, passed away Friday (August 25, 2023) at her home. Born in New Britain to the late Francis and Viola (Howe) Connelly, Pat graduated from St. Thomas Aquinas High School in 1961 and married her beloved husband Ken in 1968. Pat worked for Connecticut General and Heublein in her younger years, and she and Ken raised their children, Andrew, Charles, and Kate, in Newington, where they made their home the past 49 years.

Pat had a lifelong love of Broadway shows and music, especially folk music. Of all the talented artists, Joan Baez was her shining star. Pat was a strong supporter of social justice causes. She worked hard to spread joy to those in her circle through her personal “card ministry,” marking every birthday, anniversary, and holiday big or small with a greeting card, putting so much love into every handwritten correspondence and choosing just the right stamp. Whether card, text, or phone call, Pat could never keep it short, expressing how much she cared through thoughtful paragraphs (and emojis). Pat was grateful for the friendship and support she received through AA and for her 26 years of sobriety. A 32-year cancer survivor and a true Leo, Pat stayed positive and fought like a lion until the end.

Besides her husband Kenneth, she leaves two sons, Andrew Beckius and his wife Alice Johnson of Phoenix, AZ; and Charles Beckius and his wife Laura of Glastonbury; a daughter, Kate Beckius of Kensington; 5 grandchildren, Ryan, Heather, Steven, Mace and Laila; and extended family. She was predeceased

by her sister Judy Lyons. We love you to the moon and back.

A graveside service will be held Saturday 10 AM at West Meadow Cemetery, Newington. Calling hours are Friday 5 to 7 PM at Carlson Funeral Home, 45 Franklin Square, New Britain. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Stand Up To Cancer, P.O. Box 843721, Los Angeles, CA 90084. Please share a memory or note of sympathy at [www.carlsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.carlsonfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## West Meadow Cemetery

Newington, CT 06111

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

SEP 1. 5:00 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/>

## Graveside Service

SEP 2. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Newington, CT 06111

# Tribute Wall

CH

“ My condolences to you on the loss of your wife and mom. Since the first time I met Pat in 2008, she has always been my biggest cheerleader. She was definitely my "shero"!! Loved her hilarious stories. Pat always knew exactly what to say. I will miss you Pat and cherish all the memories. Rest in peace my Sista Lioness ❤️❤️

Cherie Hayes - September 01, 2023 at 07:22 AM

AM

“ I met and cared for Pat 34 years ago!  
Over the ensuing years we built an amazing friendship!  
She always came to see me every year and we would talk for as long as she wanted 45 - 60 minutes!!  
When she walked for cancer and received a medal, she had to present me with it in appreciation for her survival!!  
She will be missed, but NEVER forgotten!!

Alden Stock, MD - August 30, 2023 at 03:38 PM

KO

“ I can't tell you how saddened I am by Pat's passing. I received my birthday card a couple of weeks ago with her beautifully written message. Our friendship began many years ago as a patient in our practice. She would always brighten our days when she had an appointment. So began our yearly Christmas, St Patrick's Day and birthday cards. She loved seeing pictures of my grandchildren and always commented about them. Rest in Peace my dear Pat ❤️🌹

Karen Ortola - August 30, 2023 at 03:35 PM

WH

“ My sincerest condolences to my much-appreciated student of 1991, Charles Beckius, on the passing of his mother. William G. Hall, NHS (retired)

William Hall - August 30, 2023 at 09:43 AM

DB

“ Kate and family, so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May she rest in peace.

Doris Bouffard - August 30, 2023 at 08:08 AM

NH

“ My dear Pat I feel so empty without you...I will miss you so My prayers and sympathy to your family

Nancy H Hedenberg - August 30, 2023 at 05:57 AM

SH

“ I am so sorry. My prayers and love to all of you as you mourn the loss of your loved one. Though I never had the opportunity to meet her, I know stories of her and of the love Kate has for her. You were all blessed to have had her so keep her love alive through the memories you share.

Sheryl Harle - August 28, 2023 at 10:54 PM

ER

“ Dear Mom Beckius, You will be missed more than words can express. I have so many fond memories. You had so many struggles and yet you were always so cheerful and positive. I will cherish my emoji filled text messages and will never go to the beach without thinking of you. Much love, Elisa (Shorty)

Elisa Root - August 28, 2023 at 10:25 PM