



## William R. Livingston IV

January 10, 1977 - March 22, 2021

William (Bill) Livingston IV, 44, of Newington, passed away Monday surrounded by his family after a courageous two year battle with Glioblastoma. Born in New London, Bill grew up in the Ledyard area and has lived in the New Britain/Newington area for over 20 years. A graduate of Ledyard High School, Class of 1995, he received his Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and his Masters in Special Education from Central CT State University. Bill worked at and became a Teacher of Special Education at CREC – River St. Autism Program at the Birken Campus in Bloomfield and was there for more than 15 years. He had a patient, gentle way of connecting with even the most challenging students. He loved his students, his job and his Birken family fiercely. Bill also loved the Red Sox, NY Football Giants, the UConn Huskies, and golfing with his buddies. No love was greater though than that for his family and especially his children Addy and Alina. He truly enjoyed coaching both their softball and tee ball teams.

Besides his wife Sarah, he leaves his daughters, Adeline and Alina Livingston; his parents, William Robert Livingston III and his step mother Pam Livingston of Groton; his mother, Linda (Farrar) Pendleton of Ledyard; his twin brother Sean Livingston and his wife Nicole of Montville, his brother Erik Pendleton of Ledyard; two nephews, Jared and Bryce and a niece Kayla Livingston. He is also survived by many beloved aunts, uncles, cousins and friends whom supported him throughout his life and during his illness.

A celebration of Bill's life will be held April 11, 2021 from 2 to 5 PM at The Rockledge Grille, 289 South Main Street, West Hartford. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to Camp Kesem at Yale University, 206 Elm Street Box 205206, New Haven, CT 06520 or at <https://donate.kesem.org/team/305773>. Camp Kesem is a camp for children who have a parent with cancer. The Carlson Funeral Home, New Britain is assisting with arrangements. Please share a memory or note of sympathy at [www.carlsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.carlsonfuneralhome.com)

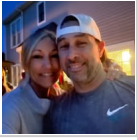
# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

APR 11. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

The Rockledge Grill  
289 South Main Street  
West Hartford, CT 06107

# Tribute Wall



“ *What an amazing man!! God is growing his angel bank up in heaven.. this guy is one precious gem.  
Bill will be missed by MANY. He gave SO much, such a giving, patient man. My heart hurts for his family. 💔 Prayers for all of you. I know that his girls knew what an amazing father they had. I hope they can hold onto the memories they had with him and know he is ALWAYS near ❤️🙏*



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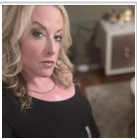
**Melissa Dei** - April 11, 2021 at 10:02 AM

AC

“ *I am so sorry to learn of Bill's passing. I used to see him once a week when I provided services for a student we shared. I work for Perkins School for the Blind in Watertown, MA. Bill was a great teacher and kind friend. He worked tirelessly to provide access to all his students. I hope it is comforting to know that Bill made a difference to all the lives he touched.  
Tony Cappelli*

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**Anthony Cappelli** - March 30, 2021 at 03:20 PM



“ *Bill was such a gentle soul and he will be missed by many. His patience and coaching with the girls during softball will never be forgotten. With deepest sympathy...  
The Kutniewski Family*

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**Taryn Kutniewski** - March 28, 2021 at 07:13 PM

RB

*My deepest sympathy I worked with Bill at foxwoods great person*

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**ramon bataycan** - April 11, 2021 at 11:21 AM

DP

“ *The world has lost a great person. I was lucky enough to learn from Bill and work alongside him for many years. He trained me early in my career and I will be forever grateful for his guidance and support. He always had my back and saved me from more predicaments than I can count, always remaining calm--the most patient man I've ever met! He was always respectful and even put up with our ridiculous end of the day conversations with a laugh to himself, shaking his head. It was a joy watching him work with the kids and seeing the relationships he built with them and his passion for what he did.*

*Sending my love and prayers to Bill's family and friends. No matter how much time has passed, he made an impact on many people's lives and has left a lasting impression. He will truly be missed.*

**Danielle Payne** - March 26, 2021 at 09:25 AM

JT

“ *So sad to hear of this news. Billy was a good child hood friend. Billy was a integral part to the Cedar Ridge crew back in the mid to late 80s in North Stonington, CT. We will all miss you sorry we did not keep in touch. The Livingston Twins and the Traylor Twins would hang out often. May God bless you and your family. Jason Traylor*

**Jason Traylor** - March 26, 2021 at 08:32 AM



“ *Thoughts & Prayers was purchased for the family of William R. Livingston IV.*



March 26, 2021 at 07:27 AM

PS

“ *Bill was an amazing individual with so much integrity. He often referred to his male students as gentlemen. I admired his patience and ability to remain calm at all times. His classroom was across from my office and I was able to see his daily commitment to both his students & staff. Bill will be remembered always by his Birken family!!*  
*Pat Szafir*

**Pat Szafir** - March 25, 2021 at 01:21 PM

BD

“ It was always fun to make you laugh! Thank you for always being kind and understanding; even though our time together was short it was an honor to work with you. You gave everything to your students and co-workers, in times of chaos , you were our calm. It was always a delight to see your face light up when you talked about your girls, to them, I say- you have the best dad. He will always be with you in your hearts because he loved you so. Bill, I hope you have a snack closet wherever you are now. Miss you.

Brooke DeRoia - March 25, 2021 at 01:21 PM

TB

“ Sarah, Addie and Alina,  
My heart breaks for you. Loss and grief are overwhelming emotions. Your husband and dad will always be in your hearts. Cherish the memories. May he rest in peace.  
With love, sympathy and prayers,  
Tina Barone

Tina Barone - March 25, 2021 at 12:47 PM

MW

“ Bill you were an amazing human being! I am blessed to have known you and you will be missed by your Birken family tremendously!!! We love you and our thoughts and prayers are with your family! Until we meet again my friend! Rest in peace!

Mary W - March 25, 2021 at 08:29 AM

KD

“ Bill was a calm and attentive presence to his students, colleagues, and the whole Birken family. We were blessed to have him with us for all these years. He will be missed by all.

Kathy Dyer - March 25, 2021 at 06:56 AM



“ I will always remember the time "Mr. Bill" spent in the ELC subbing for the teacher who was having surgery. All the preschoolers loved him and his always calm demeanor. How excited they were to have a male teacher and Bill was a perfect fit taking it all in stride. Such a kind and gentle person who will be remembered fondly and greatly missed. My thoughts and prayers are with his family.

Claudia Lopardo  
Co-worker Coltsville and Birken

Claudia Lopardo - March 24, 2021 at 09:50 PM

EF

“ So sad that a sweet soul like Billy was taken from us so soon. It was always a pleasure to see him. I’m sure he was a great teacher of special kids because he was such a caring man. I will always be so proud of him and miss him already. His two beautiful daughters will carry on his memory.. Uncle Ed and Nancy

Ed Farrar - March 24, 2021 at 06:26 PM

CO

“ Bill you meant so much to the Coltsville and Birken family! You were an amazing person. Thank you for also being an amazing teacher! I will miss your Giants VS Cowboy discussions. You will be missed by so many. My deepest condolences to the family!

Colleen - March 24, 2021 at 06:04 PM

AN

“ I am at a loss for words. Bill meant so much to so many people. To me, he was a fellow teacher, a supportive colleague and a loyal friend. Never missed a chance to throw a sarcastic comment my way or say quick joke under his breath. I’ve never met such a gentle soul, a kind spirit. My heart breaks for his family, and his daughters whom he adored. I hope they grow up knowing how wonderful their dad was and that he was a local hero to many 💖 Rest Easy Bill 💖 Until we meet again.

Alisha Natelle - March 24, 2021 at 05:22 PM

OB

“ Bill was an amazing person and a true testament to the strength of the human spirit. He was a kind, dedicated, funny, and hard working man. Bill was someone to look up to and he was a great friend. I will miss him out on the golf course, in our fantasy football league, and in the classroom. His family is in my thoughts and prayers.

Obie - March 24, 2021 at 01:31 PM

SK

“ I worked with Bill at Coltsville and Birken. He was a kind and dedicated teacher who was respected and admired by his colleagues. He will be missed. I send my sincere condolences to his family.

Susan Kasmarzyk - March 24, 2021 at 12:52 PM

LO

“Bill was a kind, gentle, and compassionate teacher that always put his students needs before his own” I remember an instance that a student was in crisis and Bill calmly with his gentle and neutral voice was able to bring the student back to work. I can remember looking over and seeing the student and Bill laughing together. Bill had that effect with all his students and staff that worked with him. Bill will be missed tremendously.

Linda Ouimette  
Co-worker (Birken)

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Linda Ouimette - March 24, 2021 at 12:45 PM

TP

“Bill was a fabulous teacher who connected meaningfully with his students, their parents and our staff. He always had things in the classroom under control. The River Street program was blessed to have him on staff. He will be missed by all.

Tom Parvenski  
Director, River Street School

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Tom Parvenski - March 24, 2021 at 12:28 PM

NJ

RIP 🌹 Billy you are loved and will be missed Deeply

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Norm Johnson - March 24, 2021 at 12:58 PM



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Claudia Lopardo - March 24, 2021 at 09:45 PM

JM

Sarah, I was saddened to read of Bill's passing. Another example of bad things happening to good people. My sympathy goes out to you and the girls. I know Addy and Alina have grown but I still see them as the little girls I cared for. Please hug them for me. Nurse Jeanine

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Jeanine McConnell - March 25, 2021 at 08:18 AM

MI

*To have known Bill was to have know a smooth calm and collected man. Always chill always in good spirits and genuinely just a good guy. I am forever grateful to have known him and to call him a friend. Know that he is loved and will be forever missed.*  
*Miki*

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**Miki** - March 25, 2021 at 09:46 PM

MK

*Saying a prayer for the family during this time of your loss, my deepest sympathy goes out to everyone.*

*Mark Kuelling*

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**Mark Kuelling** - April 02, 2021 at 08:58 AM