



Mr. Jeffrey W. Hunt

January 4, 1960 - February 18, 2022

Jeffrey William Hunt, 62, of Pittsfield MA died peacefully at home surrounded by his husband and family on February 18, 2022.

Born in Pittsfield, MA on January 4, 1960, son of Harriet Mae Peck Hunt and the late William Josselyn Hunt, he attended schools in both Fern Creek Kentucky and Pittsfield Public Schools. He was a graduate of the PHS class of 1978 and later graduated from Boston College with a degree in Political Science in 1988.

Jeff began his career at Friendly's Restaurant managing restaurants in both Newton and Pittsfield. He also taught at several schools in the Boston Area. Jeff's interests were truly Music and Politics. Jeff returned to Pittsfield in 1989 to pursue his love of playing the organ and provided a much-needed career change. He was employed at several Churches, including; St Martin's, Trinity, St Stephen's, St Teresa, St Mark's Episcopal Church in Adams, National Shrine of Divine Mercy and retired after 27 years at St Mark's Church in Pittsfield.

Jeff also pursued his political desires with a run for Pittsfield Ward 3 City Council in 1991 and provided key support with all of his husband's campaigns.

Jeff pursued his love for music with many organizations. He was the director

of the Hilltown Choral Society. He assisted with many of the productions with Taconic Theatre and also provided music direction with the Town Players working on shows such as Christmastime in the City, Rocky Horror Picture Show and Mama Mia. In June 2021, Christmastime in the City received the Hometown Media Award in a national contest conducted by the Alliance of Community Media. He also performed Phantom of the Opera at St. Mark's Church, ushered for years at Tanglewood. Jeff served on the Pittsfield Parade Committee Board of Directors for many years as the Vice President.

On October 2, 2004, he married his husband, Peter Marchetti. Together they enjoyed to travel especially to Ptown, Clearwater Beach FL and in recent years cruising became the vacation of choice.

Survivors include; his husband of 17 years, Peter Marchetti; his mother Harriet Peck Hunt; his brothers Steven (Kim Bertelli-Hunt) of Richmond and James Hunt (Cheryl Phillips Hunt) of Pittsfield, his sister Nancy O'Reilly (Shaun O'Reilly), 11 nieces and nephews, as well as 3 great nieces and nephews. He leaves his fur babies- Dogs- BooBoo, Zorro, Zeus and Wilma and cats - Bubba and Shadow. He was predeceased by his father William Josselyn Hunt in November 2020.

A special thanks to staff at HospiceCare in the Berkshires, especially Kaylee, for their care. Their services made a huge difference in Jeff's care at the end of life.

Funeral Notice:

Calling hours will be Saturday, February 26 ,2022 from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm at St Mark's Church on 400 West St., Pittsfield MA. A Liturgy of Christian Burial at St. Mark's Church will follow at 1pm. Due to the recent rise in Covid cases, to best ensure everybody's health, all who attend these services are required

to wear a face mask.

In lieu of flowers the donations may be made to HospiceCare in the Berkshires, St Mark's Food Pantry or The Pittsfield Parade Committee in care of the Dwyer Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **26**. 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

St. Mark's Church
400 West St.
Pittsfield, MA 01201

Service

FEB **26**. 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Mark's Church
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Tribute Wall

NC

“ To Jeff's family, I know some of you from years past. Our years date back to around 1976. Mostly thru music and then thru Tanglewood. Not sure about knowing Pete. Many good memories. Always friendly. My thoughts are with you all and God bless.

Bruce Callahan

Norman Bruce CALLAHAN - February 27, 2022 at 04:15 PM

JN

“ I still hear Jeff's deep voice trying to call back the dogs barreling down the hall to meet us, when we had a Stonewall meeting at your old house; his unfailing patience when the meetings that went on (and on); his warm hospitality; the meals we shared there; the reputation you both had for being astounding hosts; his gift and passion for music, and his delight in teaching kids at St. Mark's School. He was such a lovely man, and leaves such a lesson in generosity and forgiveness. Love to all his family.

Judy Nardacci

Judy Nardacci - February 27, 2022 at 11:41 AM

KB

“ Pete, I understand there are no words to take your pain from you. Please know there are so many of us who love and will be there to help you through. Jeff left gifts of laughter and love and will be missed by all. Sending love, Kim Borden



Kim Borden - February 26, 2022 at 08:08 AM

PG

“ *To Jeff's Family,
Please accept our deepest prayers and sympathy. It was always a pleasure to listen to Jeff share his musical talents at the many venues he was part of. Heaven has a new musician as part of their heavenly troupe. Memories will always be with you in your hearts giving you memorable smiles. Rest In Peace dear Jeff.*

Patrick & Marie Gormalley - February 25, 2022 at 06:37 PM



“ *142 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Dwyer Funeral Home Inc. - February 25, 2022 at 01:06 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Jeffrey W. Hunt.*



February 25, 2022 at 12:32 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Mr. Jeffrey W. Hunt.



February 24, 2022 at 10:46 AM



“ *Brian Andrews* purchased the *Serene Retreat* for the family of Mr. Jeffrey W. Hunt.



Brian Andrews - February 23, 2022 at 01:32 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Mr. Jeffrey W. Hunt.



February 23, 2022 at 11:09 AM

LK

“ Jeff was a beautiful human being whom I and so many other people will miss. Jeff was the kind of person you could stand with in the rain for hours and not mind a bit. Out at Conte School, holding campaign placards, we would talk and laugh together for hours, punctuated with greeting voters, but not even noticing that rain was dripping off our chins and running into our boots. Wishing you clear skies in the wonderment of the beyond, Jeff. Condolences to you, Peter and all your fur babies, and to the Hunt family.



Linda Kelley - February 23, 2022 at 09:50 AM

TB

“ Dear Pete and Family, I am so sorry for your loss. I always enjoyed our little chats with Jeff after bowling on Sunday nights over a friendly beverage.

Terri Brown - February 23, 2022 at 07:43 AM

VC

“ Our deepest condolences to President Marchetti and the Hunt family. Jeffrey Hunt was the organist at the National Shrine of Divine Mercy and the most memorable.
Victor and Zura Capelli

Victor and Zura Capelli - February 22, 2022 at 09:16 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Jeffrey W. Hunt.



February 22, 2022 at 03:16 PM

JL

“ Jeff was a wonderful man. One of the best good guys. He did so much for so many . He provided free concerts for our food pantry for years and was always there for us and a lot of other people. Rest in peace my dear " adopted son" We will always love you.

JOAN LORD - February 22, 2022 at 03:09 PM

AU

“ Jeff was a very important friend in my teen years, and I'm very grateful for the warmth the Hunt family extended to me. We jumped the fence between our houses literally hundreds of times, explored the best of the Berkshires together, and talked for hours. Though we lost touch after our 20s, fond memories came to my mind regularly. After his dad passed, we exchanged a few communications. I wish we had continued.



Pete, I am so sorry I never had a chance to meet you. But I am happy you found one another to share your passion for politics and so many other aspects of your happy, and too short, life together.

Ann Schwartz Unitas - February 22, 2022 at 12:43 PM

MP

“ We are deeply saddened by Jeff's passing. We were members of the St. Mark choir for many years and knew Jeff and his parents well. I used to sub for Jeff when he and Pete were away on vacation. We knew Jeff was very sick, but it is still such a loss and shock. Our sincerest condolences to Pete and Jeff's family.

Marty and Jean Plankey - February 22, 2022 at 09:34 AM

TC

“ Todd, Mara, and Charlotte purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Jeffrey W. Hunt.



Todd, Mara, and Charlotte - February 22, 2022 at 09:08 AM

SM

“ Kathy C and I were reminiscing about when Jeff directed us in the Berkshire Bell Choir. We would rehearse in Fr Leonard Hall and Jeff always had the half caff coffee brewing when we arrived. Some ringers were musicians but some of us weren't. Jeff was so patient and organized and somehow managed to teach us how to read the music and ring those bells. We had so much fun and so many laughs! He scheduled concerts all over the county and we would load the bells into Kathy's van and take off to nursing homes, churches, outdoor venues, even the hospital. We don't know how he put up with us and all the antics but he never gave up on us! This was one of the most fun times in my life. We will all miss him and the example he set of patience and humility.

Sue Maايا - February 22, 2022 at 08:39 AM

MV

“ Love you Jeff! God speed to peace and rest!
Thank you for your music and friendship.
Love you! Mary Verdi



Mary Verdi - February 22, 2022 at 08:29 AM

BZ

“ Such wonderful memories of Jeff leading the choir at St. Mark’s in Adams. He was always a joy to be around. I learned to sing alto parts through his patience and wisdom. I’m certain he is hugging his family and friends from heaven. Blessings to all of you.

Beth Ziemba - February 22, 2022 at 02:42 AM

LG

“ Our condolences to you Pete and the Hunt family. I worked with Jeff many years ago. He was a great co-worked and a great friend. 🙏
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Lynne Goodman-Leary - February 22, 2022 at 02:12 AM

TR

“ Pete, Harriet and all of the Hunts....I am so very sorry about the loss of Jeff. What a heartbreak! I have many memories of Jeff but I think the ones I cherished the most were the one on one conversations.... seems they were all by the side of a car as we were walking out of some event together. Anyway, each time we parted, I would be chuckling over something he said with his unique sense of humor, but also realizing I just learned rather important. He will be sorely missed. I hold each of you up during this truly difficult time.

Tricia - February 21, 2022 at 05:29 PM

MD

“ Peter Mrs hunt and family sending love and prayers for your immense loss may the heavens be filled with his music and love
Michele drysgola

michele Drysgola - February 21, 2022 at 04:48 PM

RH

“ Dear Peter and Hunt family, We are so sorry to hear of Jeff's passing. His was a long fight with the disease. But we remember Jeff as a warm, wonderful, passionate, and creative man. He is already missed, but lives forever in the hearts of those who have known him. Ralph Howe and Ingrid Lukas

Rev Ralph Howe - February 21, 2022 at 04:00 PM

AP

“ To Nancy and family,
My deepest condolences to all who loved Jeff. May good memories carry you through the times yet to come. Peace, love, and God's blessings...Angela Prenoveau

Angela Prenoveau - February 21, 2022 at 03:27 PM