



## Maureen E. O'Connor

August 6, 1934 - April 22, 2015

Maureen E. O'Connor, 80, of 124 Gamwell Ave., passed away after a short illness at Berkshire Medical Center on Wednesday, April 22, 2015. Born in Pittsfield on August 6, 1934 the daughter of Michael A. and Helen M. Flynn O'Connor she was a 1952 graduate of St. Joseph High School. She later earned an undergraduate degree from the College of St. Rose in Albany, NY and a Master's in education from Westfield State College.

Maureen worked for the Pittsfield School Department and spent most of her career teaching 4th grade at Allendale School.

She enjoyed reading and crossword puzzles. She had a great love for dogs; she had several of her own and also enjoyed volunteering at the Eleanor Sonsini Animal Shelter.

Maureen is survived by her son, Stephen Aspinall and his longtime companion Linda Charon of Adams; a sister, Fran Davis; 4 grandchildren, Stacey Charon of Manchester, CT, Felicia Charon, Brenda Malloy and Joanne Bowman all of Adams and 5 great grandchildren. She was predeceased by a sister, Patricia Davis.

### Funeral Notice:

In keeping with Maureen's wishes, a private funeral service will be held at Dwyer Funeral Home. There are no calling hours. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Eleanor Sonsini Animal Shelter, care of the Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North St., Pittsfield MA 01201, in her memory.

DONATIONS CANNOT BE MADE ONLINE, but may be made through the

Dwyer Funeral Home.

# Tribute Wall

CM

“ *Steve and Family*

*I was an old time friend of your Mom's along with Bill Nesbit and my husband Jim McMahon ~ Please accept our condolences on the loss of Mother ~ We had made tentative plans to go to Mass MOCA when the weather got better, I am sure she is seeing artwork that is beyond our dreams along with Bill and Jim, she will be missed. Sincerely, The Entire McMahon Family*



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**Carolyn McMahon** - May 01, 2015 at 05:41 PM

JC

“ *Mrs. O'Connor, as I will always remember her, was one of the best teachers out there. She was so encouraging and brilliant and so friendly, that even now, 21 years after she was my teacher, I have vivid memories of sitting in her classroom at Allendale Elementary. She made an impression on the lives of many of her students, and I hope her family will take comfort in that. She will be greatly missed.*

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**J. Condron** - April 28, 2015 at 12:39 PM

DJ

“ I live on Gamwell Avenue, 3 houses down from where Maureen lived and I was totally shocked and saddened to learn of her passing. As a fellow animal lover, I spent time talking with Maureen about her dogs, my cats and a wide range of topics! She was always a joy! Always upbeat, and never dwelling on the negative. She used to bake us blueberry breads in season and they were like Manna from HEAVEN!! I hate driving past her home now...she will be missed a great deal. I hope it's comforting to her family and friends to know that Maureen touched so many lives and that she most certainly will live on in our hearts and minds. She was indeed a VERY special lady.

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**Debra Johnson** - April 28, 2015 at 10:06 AM

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**Carol Lew** - April 26, 2015 at 06:56 AM

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“ *Maureen was such a special person. I volunteered at the Sonsini Animal Shelter with her, and seeing her was a bright spot in my weekly schedule. She always had a smile to share, and she was caring and supportive to every person who called or visited the shelter. We had lively discussions about history and other topics; she was a teacher through and through. We both loved to read, and she lent me books that we would then discuss during our volunteer shift. She was the best "dog parent" imaginable. Her dogs were her best friends, and she had great respect and love for them. Being a dog in Maureen's life would have been the best place in the world to land. I am sure that her arthritis was a constant pain for her, but I never heard her once complain, in all the years I knew her. She was cheerful, honest..... a good person. I am so glad I had the chance to know her. She was a good friend who I won't ever forget.*

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**Carol Lew** - April 25, 2015 at 05:18 PM

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**Carol Lew** - April 25, 2015 at 05:06 PM

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**Carol Lew** - April 25, 2015 at 05:05 PM

JL

“ I am so sad to read about Maureen's passing. I am so sorry for the family's loss. I have treated her for several years and she was always so bright and lively and loved to chat. Always positive and never complaining about her pain or discomfort, she was a delight to serve. We shared a love of animals and especially dogs. She would have me bring my dog Abby in to visit either before or after the treatment, bringing her galloping down the steps and running up to her, hardly able to sit still. Needless to say, Abby loved her and made her day with the visit. I will miss her but am thankful for the great memories she gave me. What a wonderful woman!!!

Janice O'Neill RN, Lic.Ac - April 25, 2015 at 01:22 PM

NC

“ Maureen was a caring and compassionate woman. She helped me at a time in my life when I was at my lowest. Her experience, strength and hope set me on a path that help me turn my life around and be the person I am today. Maureen is Walking in the Sunshine of the Spirit. Rest in Peace my friend, Rest in Peace.  
Nancy Colvin

Nancy Colvin - April 25, 2015 at 11:19 AM



“ To Steve and Maureen's family . May you find peace and comfort in knowing that she has been a steadfast friend to many and will be surely missed . In love and fellowship ; John and Susan Eastland



John Eastland - April 25, 2015 at 06:51 AM