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Madelyn Ann Harper, 63, of Huntersville died July 28, 2015 at CMC Main. She was born on September 23, 1951 to the late Thomas and Virginia Harper.

Survivors include her husband William “Bill” Walsh; and sons, Thomas McCausland and Stephen Walsh; daughter, Virginia D’Amore; daughter-in-law, Donna Walsh; son-in-law, Travis D’Amore; 2 grandchildren, Sean and Alexandra Walsh. She is preceded in death by her son Michael McCausland.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Support for People with Oral Head and Neck Cancer, via www.spohnc.org.

The visitation will be from 6 pm-9 pm Thursday, July 30, 2015 at James Funeral Home. The funeral mass will be held at 11:00 am Friday at St. Mark Catholic Church in Huntersville with burial following at Northlake Memorial Gardens.

James Funeral Home of Huntersville is serving the Harper family and online condolences may be made at www.jamesfuneralhomeLKN.com



Tribute Wall

Madelyn Ann Harper

BS

Bob Schoenfeld posted:

An incredible power left this world. You had so much... So much laughter, humor, friendship, hope, strength and love. More important, you couldn't hold on to it. Sharing, helping, giving, loving and always knowing that little thing, whatever it was, that could comfort those around you when they needed it. Your strength could not be measured. When you needed it the most for yourself, you could still provide it to those around you. A power that will not leave this world. Although it was 100 years ago in 1922 when Margery Williams wrote this, it seems like she wrote it for you... "What is REAL?" asked the Rabbit one day, when they were lying side by side near the nursery fender, before Nana came to tidy the room. "Does it mean having things that buzz inside you and a stick-out handle?" "Real isn't how you are made," said the Skin Horse. "It's a thing that happens to you. When a child loves you for a long, long time, not just to play with, but REALLY loves you, then you become Real." "Does it hurt?" asked the Rabbit. "Sometimes," said the Skin Horse, for he was always truthful. "When you are Real you don't mind being hurt." "Does it happen all at once, like being wound up," he asked, "or bit by bit?" "It doesn't happen all at once," said the Skin Horse. "You become. It takes a long time. That's why it doesn't happen often to people who break easily, or have sharp edges, or who have to be carefully kept. Generally, by the time you are Real, most of your hair has been loved off, and your eyes drop out and you get loose in your joints and very shabby. But these things don't matter at all, because once you are Real you can't be ugly, except to people who don't understand." ...but once you are Real you can't become unreal again. It lasts for always. "Lyn, by countless people, you are REAL and it will last for always. You have been sorely missed these past 7 years yet your legacy lives on in your family as well as so many others whose lives you touched. You are forever part of our family. I don't have the words to explain the enormous effect you had/have on my own life. Bill, thank you for coming into her life and cherishing Lyn so. She deserved this and you provided it well through so much pain in both your lives. Thank you for being her bright spot though it all. Tom, thank you for so proudly carrying on her legacy. I'm sure she is incredibly proud of the person you have become and the family you have created. Rightly so. I will always love you my forever Friend! -Bob

July 28 at 8:39 AM

JM

Janet Mercurio posted:

Today I learned of Madelyn leaving us. It was truly a heartbreaker for me. She touched so many lives with her kindness and caring ways including mine. I know she is a true angel and will be missed. Deepest sympathy to all her family. A remarkable person has left this world. Rest in peace sweet lady.

August 24 at 4:42 PM



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JM

John Mccourt posted:

Dear Bill and Family. We were so saddened to discover that your Lyn has passed away. She and I were very good friends from Saint Killian's Church in Farmingdale, New York. I had the honor of knowing her Mom, Virginia, who I know bestowed on Lyn the gift of fighting adversity, irregardless of what it was. I also knew Lyn's sons, Thomas (Tommy) and the late Michael McCausland. They were wonderful young children when I met them. Another credit to your Lyn's determination to make the best of everything and everybody. Lyn was able to spend some time with us here in Ocala a few years ago. She was looking forward to relocating with her Company from Long Island. We knew how much loved you and your family. As you know, Lyn always made a positive contribution for any cause or person that needed her help. We want you to know she will be deeply missed by us. Please send our condolences to Tommy and your family members. We all know that Lyn is in Heaven and enjoying the eternal rewards she so deserved. May God Bless You All. John and Annette McCourtDunnellon, Florida

August 19 at 11:03 AM

AS

Alice Steiner posted:

Dear Bill and family, I am so sad to learn of Lyn's passing. She was a remarkable individual - loving, giving, and facing life with grace and courage. She has been and always will be an inspiration to me. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Love, Alice

July 31 at 8:08 PM

MB

Maryann Brown posted:

Madelyn Ann was my childhood friend. We grew up and lived down the street from each other. For as long as I can remember she was beautiful like an angel on earth. And now she is our guardian angel. With so much love, Maryann and Dave Brown

July 30 at 5:58 PM

FF

Fran Fontane posted:

Madelyn was my first contact with the Syosset chapter of SPOHNC. I will never forget her kindness and reassurance. She was the first person I had ever met who had a similar cancer and the first person who sounded like me. She made me feel "normal" and safe in her company and ready, for the first time, to share my story. She will be in my prayers.

July 30 at 10:19 AM



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AR

Aurora Rametta posted:

Lynn was just an amazing woman. Her kindness and caring for people was un matched. Lyn got me through my deepest pain in my life with Love, Friendship, and Compassion. I will always be grateful to her for that!We lost a special lady. Bill you were a wonderful husband to Lyn and your love for eachother gave me hope that True Love can exist the second time around. My prayers go out to you and your family.

July 30 at 7:34 AM

PN

Patricia Notarfrancesco posted:

Dear Bill, Tommy and family,I am so sorry to hear of Lyn's passing. Lyn was a great caring person who gave so much to so many. Those who were privileged enough to be touched by all her generosity will be forever changed by her presence. She will be greatly missed.My thoughts and prayers are with you all at this difficult time.With deepest heartfelt sympathies,Patti

July 30 at 6:32 AM

DS

Dennis Staropoli posted:

Dear Bill and family,My heartfelt condolences go to you for this great loss. Madelyn touched all of us at SPOHNC with her wonderful love and generosity...we loved her as well. She did so much to help raise awareness of the disease we all experienced...her tireless efforts were appreciated by us and we were amazed at how much she gave, always seeming to be unfazed by all of the work needed during the fundraisers. I feel blessed to have known and worked with her.

July 29 at 7:23 PM

JB

John Bates posted:

Dear Bill and Family,It was an honor to know Madelyn. She was a big part of the Syosset group when I went to my first meeting we immediately connected. She was a tireless worker and a great supporter of all the members of our group. She did great things with the tasting events. She is surely in Heaven and probably giving some great recommendations to our Lord. I will keep all of you in my prayers. We all know Madelyn is praying from on high for all of us. Rest in Peace my friend.Love,John. Bates

July 29 at 6:03 PM



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EM

Eddie Melendez posted:

Dear Mrs. Harper – I am sorry I did not have the opportunity to meet you but if your son Tom is any reflection of the type of person you are then I know you were an amazing person. It would have been an honor to meet you. Your son Tom spoke very highly of you and you were always in his thoughts and conversations with me. You did a great job raising him and I am truly blessed to have him as a friend. May you rest in peace. Tom – our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Our sincerest condolences, Eddie Melendez & Family

July 29 at 5:55 PM

MP

Madeline Phillips posted:

I am so sorry for the loss of Madelyn. She was one of the finest ladies I have ever met. My heart is so heavy for you Bill. I am so grateful that ya'll found us and we became friends for I am one of the lucky ones that got to call her friend. Prayers for you and the family to find comfort.

July 29 at 5:00 PM

SP

Stacy Phillips posted:

Bill & Family, I am so sorry for the loss of your sweet Madelyn. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

July 29 at 1:35 PM

KA

Kate posted:

Madelyn, An angel you are and now you are amongst them. From the first day you welcomed me to our SPOHNC group I was blessed. Your smile illuminated each 'support group, each taste event and the wonderful BBQ's at your home. Love you!

July 29 at 9:04 AM

LG

Lynn And Ed Gormley posted:

Dear Bill and family, Eddie and I are so sorry to hear of Madelyn's passing. We admired her selflessness in giving so much of herself to charity work. I am glad we got to know her and you at the SPOHNC meetings in Syosset and were thankful for all the hard work you and Madelyn put into the fund raisers. Bill, you and your family are in our prayers. With deepest sympathies, Lynn and Eddie Gormley

July 29 at 8:42 AM



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SC

SpoHnc (Support For People With Oral And Head And Neck Cancer) posted:

Madelyn was one of SPOHNC's beautiful angels who was taken from us much too early. She was an amazing woman with such great strength throughout her entire life. She gave of herself volunteering for SPOHNC in so many ways but the most important was supporting her fellow cancer survivors. Our hearts are broken but know how blessed we were to have known her. Our deepest condolences to her husband, Bill, the entire family and her many friends. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this very difficult and sad time. Our sincerest condolences, SPOHNC (Support For People With Oral And Head And Neck Cancer) Nancy Leupold, Survivor, President & Founder, Mary Ann Caputo, Chris Leonardis, Lisa Caracciola and her many friends and fellow survivors at SPOHNC.

July 29 at 8:12 AM

JK

Jeff Kopito posted:

Very sad news to hear of Madelyn's passing. She has always been missed here at the Syosset chapter of SPOHNC and tough shoes to fill within our group. I offer you my sincere condolences and hope that thru the grief, her determination, spirit, and generosity will still be remembered.

July 29 at 7:32 AM

RK

Rob Kidwell posted:

Our families deepest sympathies to the Family of Madelyn. We were blessed to know her, her great sense of humor, and her ability make you feel welcomed.

July 29 at 7:25 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Madelyn by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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