



Alicia Mary Butler

April 15, 1962 - June 24, 2021

Alicia Mary Butler, 59, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by family on Thursday morning, June 24, 2021. She was the loving partner of John McDermott and the daughter of Nancy Butler of Bristol. Alicia was born and raised in Bristol, a graduate of St. Paul Catholic High School. A lifelong educator, she earned her bachelor's and master's degrees from Southern Connecticut State University and Fairfield University, respectively.

Alicia lived a life full of love, compassion, meaning and purpose. In her career as a teacher and school psychologist in the Cromwell Public Schools and at The Foundation School in Orange, she was a dedicated, devoted champion of special needs children. In addition to her love of family, friends and her students, she had a soft spot for abandoned/neglected animals, and volunteered at The Greater New Haven Cat Project. She enjoyed her "country cottage" Hamden home, relaxing in the verdant garden yard cultivated over time with her godmother, Janie McCabe Brett.

Besides her partner and mother, she leaves her siblings, Moira Butler (David Cross) of Corpus Christi, TX, Brenda Lavoie (Joseph) of Gloucester, MA, and Patrick Butler of Oklahoma City, OK; a nephew, Joseph Lavoie (Jessica) of Peabody, MA, a niece, Claire Desroches (Jarod) of Melrose, MA; great niece and nephew Nora and Leo Lavoie; and John's grandsons Nicholas and Ryan Krompegal of Bristol. She was predeceased by her father, Bill Butler.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Friday, July 2 at 10:00 a.m. at Divine Mercy Parish St. Rita Catholic Church, 1620 Whitney Avenue, Hamden.

Friends and loved ones are welcomed to meet the family directly after the service. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the .Alicia M. Butler Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Main Street Community Foundation, P.O. Box 2702, Bristol, CT 06011-2702.

Sisk Brothers Funeral Home, 3105 Whitney Avenue, Hamden is handling the arrangements. To leave an online message of condolence or to share a memory or a photo, please visit Alicia's tribute page at www.siskbrothers.com.

Previous Events

Funeral service

JUL 2. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Rita Church
1620 Whitney Ave.
Hamden, CT

Tribute Wall

AL

“ Miss butler was such a great person and i will always remember her for what she did for me at school and how much she helped me, i'm now in high school but i always think about her. My deepest condolences to the family.

Alexis - July 23, 2023 at 03:11 PM

CL

“ My deepest sympathy for the loss of your daughter, Alicia.
Claire (Bucchieri) Lewandoski

Claire Lewandoski - July 03, 2021 at 11:16 AM

JH

“ Nancy & family, Beverly and I send our deepest condolences to you. There is little one can say or do at a time like this, but we want you to know you are in our thoughts and prayers. Our deepest sympathy is with you. Jack

Jack Hines - July 01, 2021 at 09:20 PM

KS

“ Dear Butler family, including Alicia’s John,

I am an old colleague of Alicia’s and worked with her for many years in, I believe, her first professional job. I join you and anyone who has ever known her in feeling heartbroken that she has passed. I’ve been thinking about her all afternoon, trying to put together just what it was about Alicia that made her so completely special; and I think I’ve figured it out. Along with all of her other wonderful traits, I believe Alicia literally personified Kindness. Her kindness was pure. While we all succeed in being kind a lot of the time, we are never Kindness. We slip and get angry when we shouldn’t; we become petty and spiteful and prideful sometimes; we hurt others’ feelings. I never ever saw Alicia as anything other than kind – to everyone. We all, everyone, loved her. It’s hard to believe, but each of us interacts with approximately 80,000 people in our lifetimes. 80,000! Imagine the mark Alicia has made on 80,000 people! I am in awe. What an incredible legacy. She holds a special place in 80,000 hearts. Thank you for sharing her with us.

- Kathy Sinclair

Kathy Sinclair - July 01, 2021 at 08:35 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Alicia Mary Butler.



July 01, 2021 at 07:33 AM

SK

“ I met Alicia over 25 years ago and I've always said she is one of my most favorite people in this entire world. She was an amazing friend and I've never known anyone as kind or as thoughtful. My heart is broken and I miss you so much.already. We loved exchanging kitty stories and eating at our favorite restaurant. We had many similar life experiences and shared love of books and puzzles. My heart goes out to John and her entire family as she always talked about how wonderful you all were and how much she loved you all. Sending much love to everyone and she's definitely an angel looking out for all of you now.

Stacey Kroop - June 30, 2021 at 09:04 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Alicia Mary Butler.



June 30, 2021 at 11:32 AM

MS

“ Dearest Moira and family,

I'm so sorry for the grieving you and your family are going through. Alicia was a wonderful person. She and my sister Victoria spent a week with me in 2000, at my home in Fort Lauderdale. We had a blast. They went to the beach every day, we shopped at Bal harbor, and had dinner at Joe's Stone Crab in Miami Beach. Our paths crossed many times, and she was always such a loving, gracious and generous soul. It was great to be in her presence. My best regards to you all during this process. Mary Schirduan-Kozolis

mary schirduan-kozolis - June 30, 2021 at 09:25 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Alicia Mary Butler.*



June 29, 2021 at 09:16 PM



“ *We met freshman year at LaSalle College. She came in as Alicia but, became Mimi Butler in no time. (not my story to tell). Even though Mimi left LaSalle after freshman year, she never left us.... “The George Girls”. Mimi was our “George” sister, our forever friend. My heart is broken.*

To Alicia’s family I send my condolences and can only pray that the hole left in your hearts begin to heal.

To Mimi Butler... I will always love you, until we meet again.....

monique mcowen - June 29, 2021 at 08:59 PM



“ *Dear John and Butler family I am so very sorry for your loss. I met Alicia many years ago in the Cromwell school system. I am a para there and became good friends with Alicia. She was a true lady one in a million. You could tell how much she loved and cared for people her kindness her laugh and her smile. She always talked about John her family and her cats. I feel blessed and honored to have her in my life I will never forget her. I am so sorry. Love Selina Walker*

selina - June 29, 2021 at 01:48 PM