



## Mr. Jeffrey E. van Lingen

April 1, 1963 - May 8, 2025

Jeffrey E. van Lingen, 62, of 369 Housatonic Street Lenox passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by his loving family and friends May 8th, 2025, after a yearlong battle with cancer.

Jeffrey was born in Pittsfield, MA., on April 1, 1963, to the late Johnny and Jeannette Blaset van Lingen. He attended Lenox Memorial High School and was a 1981 graduate. Playing hockey for Lenox he proudly represented his school and the United States playing teams in both Finland and Sweden. In his senior year he was the recipient of the Don Troy Sportsmanship Award presented annually by the Berkshire County chapter of the National Ice Hockey Officials Association.

After high school, Jeffrey attended Cambridge College earning his master's degree. He obtained his Real Estate license and was the former owner operator of Quest Connect in Pittsfield. At the time of his death, Jeff was employed as the IT administrator at Interprint in Pittsfield.

Jeffrey enjoyed taking and watching his daughter Bailey compete at various horse-riding competitions throughout the country. He enjoyed a good, or not so good, game of golf with his friends, as well as hosting a long-standing tradition of Funday Sundays with family and friends for the past 20 years. He excelled in the kitchen and loved entertaining, laughing and sharing meals with anyone willing to join.

Jeffrey is survived by his daughter; Bailey H. van Lingen and her husband Emrah Celikmakas of Groton, MA., his life partner, Donna Marie Gilmore of

Lenox, brother Andy (Katie) of Ludlow, nephew Bryan (Sandy) of Pittsfield, niece Selena (Heather) of Lee, nephew Jeremy (Gainsville), Ninette van Lingen of Harvard and his bonus children Brennan (Michelle) of Northfield, Christopher (Danielle) of Millbury, Alison (Bradley) of Westfield Ethan (Jordynne) of Pittsfield along with grandchildren Carter, Scarlett, Amelia, Avery, Ellianna and the expected arrival of a grandson in July.

There will be a service held on Wednesday, May 14th, beginning at 11 AM at the Roche Funeral Home, 120 Main Street, Lenox, MA 01240. Burial will follow in Mountain View Cemetery. Calling hours will be held on Tuesday, May 13th from 4 - 7 PM. In lieu of flowers, donations in Jeff's memory may be made to the Berkshire Humane Society in care of the funeral home.

# Cemetery Details

## Mountain View Cemetery

Housatonic Street  
Lenox, MA 01240

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 13.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Roche Funeral Home  
120 Main Street  
P.O. Box 152  
Lenox, MA 01240  
(413) 637-0699  
eroche120fh@gmail.com

## Service

**MAY 14.** 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

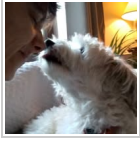
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## Burial

MAY 14. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Mountain View Cemetery  
Housatonic Street  
Lenox, MA 01240

# Tribute Wall



“ *My sincere condolences. Jeff was a classmate and great friend to all at LMHS.*

**Nancy Hathaway-Hopowiec** - June 19, 2025 at 09:33 PM

BE

“ *Dear Bailey, Selena and family,  
I am so very sorry for your loss. Sending prayers for peace and comfort to you all. May you hold beautiful memories in your heart and remember that we are all on a journey through this lifetime that has been given to us. God bless.*

*Sincerely,  
BeckyKnox (former 3rd grade teacher in Lenox)*



**BeckyKnox** - May 19, 2025 at 05:02 PM

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“ *Izzy & Michelle purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Jeffrey E. van Lingen.*



**Izzy & Michelle** - May 13, 2025 at 09:03 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Jeffrey E. van Lingen.*



May 13, 2025 at 11:57 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mr. Jeffrey E. van Lingen.

May 12, 2025 at 04:42 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Jeffrey E. van Lingen.



May 12, 2025 at 04:42 PM



“ I worked with Jeff in our younger days at Brookside School. He was a really good guy and we had a lot of laughs and I really enjoyed working with him.

William Sweener - May 10, 2025 at 05:31 PM

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“ Dear van Lingen family and loved ones:

*I can't look way back and not see Jeffrey van Lingen. Long ago, when our parents worked together at Lenox School, he was always around, one of the clan of kids woven into the fabric of that special place. Our families shared the world of the rink there, too, where John, Jeannie, Andy, and Jeff were at the very heart of the local hockey community for many years. It seems like they were always there. I shared the blue line with Jeff in high school, where his friendliness and kindness to all were never overshadowed by the mean streak of the game. Whenever I saw him later in life he was always genuinely happy to see me, and in that way he validated my own past. On behalf of my family I offer condolences to all of you, family and loved ones of a special man. I'm sorry for your loss.*

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**Matt Rutledge** - May 10, 2025 at 11:32 AM



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May 09, 2025 at 08:37 PM