

Roger E. Bull

(October 4, 1958 - January 18, 2012)



Roger E. Bull, 53, Brookside Drive, died at his home Wednesday morning.

Mr. Bull was born in Watertown, NY, on October 4, 1958, to Dr. Wilbur S. Bull and Mary E. Bull. He was raised at the family home on Brookside Drive. He attended Watertown High School until his senior year when he attended Immaculate Heart Central, graduating in 1976.



Mr. Bull and his wife, Mary, were childhood friends and met at a community event in Rutland. They were reconnected years later and were married June 14, 1980, at Sacred Heart Church in Watertown. They made their residence on Brookside Dr. in Burrville, building a house where they raised their four sons.

Following high school, Mr. Bull began his medical career with Guilfoyle Ambulance as an EMT. In 1982, he became an insurance agent with Prudential. In 1986, Mr. Bull became a Deputy Sherriff for Jefferson County. He resigned in 1989 to enroll at Jefferson Community College's Nursing Program. Mr. Bull graduated with Honors with his Masters in Healthcare Administration in June of 2010 from New England College in New Hampshire.

Graduating from JCC in 1992, Mr. Bull began his long career as a Registered Nurse at Samaritan Medical Center in Watertown. In 2007, he was appointed Patient Care Coordinator. In 2009, he was a union representative for the New York Nurses Association, and in January 2011, became the supervisor of patient care services at Carthage Area Hospital and was subsequently promoted to administrator of patient care services and held that position before resigning in December. Mr. Bull had recently taken a position with Upstate University Hospital in Syracuse, NY.

Surviving besides his wife are four sons and one granddaughter: Nathaniel and his wife, Erica and their daughter, Lauren; Jacob and his wife Star Carter; Hudson and his wife Holly; and Schuyler. Mr. Bull is also survived by three sisters: Carol Bull, Jean Hollister, and Dorothy Haney. His brother, Robert E. Bull, predeceased him.

As a life-long resident of Brookside Drive, he cherished the community and his neighbors. He welcomed any opportunity to be called upon when his help, company, talent, or comfort was needed by others. For the past twelve years, he and his wife devoted their lives to be the live-in, primary caregivers to his parents. They are also the primary caregivers to his mother-in-law, Mary (Betty) Boomhower, who survives him. In this, he derived much happiness.

The funeral will be at 1 pm Sunday, January 22nd at the Holy Family Church, Winthrop St., with Rev Steven Murray and Rev. Leon "Toby" Schilling co-officiating. Spring burial will be in Maple Hill Cemetery, Town of Rutland. Calling hours will be Saturday, January 21st from 2 pm - 5 pm at the Reed and Benoit Funeral Home, Watertown. Contributions may be made to the Jefferson Community College Nursing Program or to the Town of Watertown Volunteer Fire Department.