



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL
February 8, 1999

COUNCILLOR RUSSELL
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WHEREAS: This City Council was deeply saddened at learning of the death of Claire Conroy on January 21, 1999; and

WHEREAS: Claire was the beloved daughter of the late Hubert and Jane (Leahy) Conroy; and

WHEREAS: Claire was born in Boston, but was a resident of Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: Claire was a retired assembler at the Cambion Company; and

WHEREAS: Claire's passing will leave a void in the lives of all her surviving family, her niece Jessie Leahy; her friend Lucy Capobianco and her cousins; and

WHEREAS: Claire will be sorely missed by all she touched and loved; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record extending its deepest sympathy to the family of Claire Conroy at this time of such personal loss; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Conroy family on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council February 8, 1999.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

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City Clerk

Councilman Russell
Councilman Sullivan
may Hallman
all

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CLAIRE CONROY on JAN 21, 1999; and

WHEREAS: CLAIRE WAS THE BELOVED DAUGHTER OF THE
LATE HUBERT AND JANE (LEAHY) CONROY; AND

; and

WHEREAS: CLAIRE WAS BORN IN BOSTON, BUT WAS A RESIDENT OF
CAMBRIDGE; AND

WHEREAS: CLAIRE WAS A RETIRED ASSEMBLER AT THE CAMBRION COMPANY
~~SOCIAL WORKER~~

; and

WHEREAS: CLAIRE'S passing will leave a void in the lives of all ~~his~~ her surviving
family, HER NIECE JESSIE LEAHY; HER FRIEND
LUCY CAPOBIANCO AND HER COUSINS

and

WHEREAS: CLARE will be sorely missed by all ~~he~~ she touched and loved; now
therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record extending its deepest sympathy to the family
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be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitable engrossed
copy of this resolution to the CONROY family on behalf of the
entire City Council.

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Claire Conroy
Assembler

Claire Conroy died Jan. 21 at Mt. Auburn Hospital after a brief illness. She was 69.

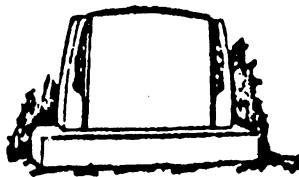
Ms. Conroy was born in Boston and lived in Cambridge for many years. She was retired as an assembler at Cambion Company formerly in Cambridge.

She was the daughter of the late Hubert and Jane (Leahy) Conroy; niece of Jessie Leahy; and friend of

Massachusetts Department of Public Welfare, from which she retired as a social worker supervisor in 1972. She enjoyed music, theater and travel, and served for a time as a volunteer at Samaritan's Suicide Prevention Program.

She was the wife of Horace Franks. She leaves two daughters, Barbara Baker of Mattapan and Beverly Canin of New York; four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral arrangements were made by A. J. Spears Funeral Home in Cambridge.



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A. Zepf of Arlington and Mark T. Zepf of Cambridge; grandfather of Timothy Joseph Ferns Zepf; and brother of Joseph Zepf of Reno, Nev., Patricia Zepf of Cambridge, Edward Zepf of Centerville and the late Francis Zepf.

A funeral Mass was held Jan. 19 at St. Peter's Church, with burial at Mt. Auburn Cemetery. Arrangements were made by William T. Hickey and Son Funeral Home in Cambridge.

Jane vonBraun Reporter

Jane (Walsh) vonBraun died Jan. 16 at Sunrise Nursing Home in Newton after a long illness. She was 83.

Mrs. vonBraun was a longtime Cambridge resident. She was employed as a reporter for the Washington Star.

She was the daughter of the late James and Ellen (Brosnan) Walsh; wife of the late Hermon R. vonBraun, USN; mother of Martha K. Dickey of Winchester and Kevin Walsh vonBraun of Ft. Worth, Texas; grandmother of Maura J. Fino of Florida; and great-grandmother of Christopher and Samantha Fino.

Funeral services were private, with burial at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C. Arrangements were made by Keefe Funeral Home in Cambridge.

Hedwig Kaminski Customer service employee

Hedwig "Hedy" (Rochatka) Kaminski died Jan. 19 at Mt. Auburn Hospital after a brief illness. She was 77.

Mrs. Kaminski was born in Cambridge and was a longtime resident. She was employed in the customer service department of a department store.

She was the mother of Janice Valentino; sister of Fred Rochatka and Sonja Poukstas, Helen Moran, and the late Joseph and Walter Rochatka; grandmother of Sheri Ann

Lucy Capobianco of Cambridge. She is also survived by many cousins and friends.

A funeral Mass was held Jan. 23 at St. Peter's Church, with burial at St. Paul's Cemetery. Arrangements were made by William T. Hickey and Son Funeral Home in Cambridge.

Jeanne M. St. Martin Homemaker

Jeanne M. (Bilodeau) St. Martin died Jan. 21 at her home in Chelmsford after a long illness. She was 75.

Mrs. St. Martin was born in Cambridge on Sept. 19, 1923. She lived in Cambridge for 40 years and worked as a homemaker.

She was the daughter of the late H. Laurence and Leona (Boudreau) Bilodeau; and mother of Gary St. Martin of Bolton, Scott St. Martin of Chelmsford, Michelle Gould of Bedford, Karen Butler of Northbridge and Betsy Parks of Westford. She is also survived by 16 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was held Jan. 25 at Our Lady of Pity Church in Cambridge. Arrangements were made by Keefe Funeral Home in Cambridge.

Donations in Mrs. St. Martin's memory may be made to a charity of one's choice.

Carol E. Van Aken Assistant controller

Carol E. (Gustafson) Van Aken died Jan. 22 after a long illness. She was 55.

Mrs. Van Aken was a 1965 graduate of MIT and a 35-year member of the administrative staff.

She was the daughter of Clifford and Helen (Iverson) Gustafson of Connecticut; wife of Peter T. Van Aken; mother of Christina Van Aken of California and David Van Aken of Winchester; daughter-in-law of Marion (Trimble) Van Aken of Maine; sister of Charles Gustafson and his wife Jane of Connecticut; Clifford

Ethel M. Bering Counselor

Ethel M. Bering died Jan. 24 in Cambridge. She was 88.

Ms. Bering worked as a counselor for the Salvation Army.

She was the sister of Gertrude Barcello of Lynnfield and Grace Mulligan of Maryland.

A funeral service was held Jan. 27 at the Salvation Army Citadel in Cambridge, with burial in the family lot at Cambridge Cemetery. Arrangements were made by Watson Funeral Home in Cambridge.

Marguerite H. Cusolito Longtime resident

Marguerite H. Cusolito died Jan. 25 at Vernon Hall Nursing Home in Cambridge. She was 95.

Ms. Cusolito was born in Messina, Sicily on Jan. 8, 1904. A Cambridge resident, she had also lived in Somerville for several years.

She was the daughter of the late John and Catherine (Santospirito) Cusolito; sister of Victor and his wife Josephine of Woburn, William of Everett, and the late Felix and John Cusolito Jr.

A funeral Mass was held Jan. 28 at St. Catherine of Genoa Church in Somerville, with burial at St. Michael's Cemetery in Roslindale. Arrangements were made by Cota-Struzziero Funeral Home in Somerville.

Catherine C. Cummings Secretary

Catherine C. Cummings died Jan. 25 at Newton-Wellesley Hospital. She was 81.

Ms. Cummings was born in Cambridge on Dec. 16, 1917. She was employed as a secretary.

She was the daughter of the late Andrew and Delia (Hill) Cummings; and sister of Elizabeth Preys of Somerville and the late John Cummings, Agnes

William Maher

Retired police detective

William G. "Billy" Maher died Jan. 27 at Mt. Auburn Hospital. He was 75.

Mr. Maher, a lifelong resident of Cambridge, had a distinguished career in law enforcement and service. He began his career as a patrol officer in Boston's West End neighborhood and later transferred to the Cambridge Police Department where he served as a sergeant, detective and special agent in charge. He was promoted to the rank of chief of police.

In this capacity, he coordinated efforts between the Cambridge Police Department and the police departments of Harvard and MIT to arrange for security for visiting dignitaries. Renown for his even temperament and honesty, he served as the first hostage negotiator, and repeatedly honored for putting himself in harm's way. He was a member of the Old Timer's Club and recently awarded the "Man of the Year" award by this distinguished group of retired police officers.

He served as a lead investigator of the Violent Crime Unit, Massachusetts Attorney General's Office under Attorney General Robert Quinn. While on from the Cambridge Police Department, he served as a Cambridge city councilor and as interim of Middlesex County Superior District Court.

He was a highly decorated veteran of World War II, who served the U.S. Navy in the Pacific Theater, earning six major stars. He was a member of the Mt. Auburn Post 8818, 1st American Veterans Post 30, and



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