



City of Cambridge

R-16.

IN CITY COUNCIL

November 19, 2001

COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR BORN
COUNCILLOR BRAUDE
MAYOR GALLUCCIO
VICE MAYOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

- WHEREAS: This City Council was deeply saddened at learning of the death of Theodore Comins Littlefield on November 7, 2001; and
- WHEREAS: Ted was the son of Theodore R. and Charlotte (Pressey); and
- WHEREAS: Ted was a graduate of Hampden Academy and the University of Maine; and
- WHEREAS: Ted did graduate work at Sargent College of Boston University, and while there, learned to row and spend time on the Charles River; and
- WHEREAS: Ted cared for the grounds of the Riverside Boat Club in Cambridge where he was a member, Magazine Beach and Morse Elementary Schools; and
- WHEREAS: Ted's passing will leave a void in the lives of all his surviving family, his father Theodore; his stepmother Joan Speyer; his sister Deborah L. McMahon Drucker; his brother-in-law Allen Drucker; and his nieces Caitlin and Fiona McMahon; and
- WHEREAS: Ted will be sorely missed by all he touched and loved; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record extending its deepest sympathy to the family of Theodore Comins Littlefield 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 Littlefield family on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council November 19, 2001.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "D. Margaret Drury".

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

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From: Richard Branch <rbranch@pdeeco.com>
To: cfournier@ci.cambridge.ma.us
Subject: FW: [rbc-members] Ted Littlefield
Date sent: Mon, 19 Nov 2001 10:01:11 -0500



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>>The following is the text of Ted's obituary that appeared in the Bangor
>>paper.

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>>Kate Chang

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>>LITTLEFIELD, Theodore Comins, 47

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>>BOSTON, MASS. and HAMPDEN - Theodore Comins Littlefield, 47, of Boston and
>>Hampden, died in Cambridge, Mass., Nov. 7, 2001. He was born Feb. 12,
>>1954, in Bangor, the son of Theodore R. and Charlotte (Pressey)
>>Littlefield. Ted was a graduate of Hampden Academy, where he was a member
>>of the football, track, and cross country teams, and the University of
>>Maine, where he was a member of the cross country team, and played hockey.
>>While at Maine, he suffered a motorcycle accident that left him partially
>>paralyzed. He did graduate work at Sargent College of Boston University,
>>and while there, learned to row, and spent time in shells on the Charles
>>River. His passion was protecting and beautifying his environment. He
>>spent the rest of his life caring for the grounds of the Riverside Boat
>>Club in Cambridge, where he was a member, the adjoining Magazine Beach,
>>and Morse Elementary School. Surviving, in addition to his father of
>>Hampden, are his stepmother, Joan Speyer, also of Hampden; his sister,
>>Deborah L. McMahon Drucker and her husband, Allen Drucker of Hampden;
>>nieces, Caitlin and Fiona McMahon, both of Hampden; many other relatives
>>and friends. Friends may call 6-8 p.m. Monday, at Kiley Funeral Home, 69
>>State St., Brewer, where a memorial service will be held 10 a.m. Tuesday.
>>Private burial at Oak Hill Cemetery, Brewer, will be at a later date. For
>>those who wish, memorial contributions may be made to the Ted Littlefield
>>Scholarship Fund, Riverside Boat Club, 769 Memorial Dr., Cambridge, MA
>>02139, or to a charity of choice.

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From: Richard Branch <rbranch@pdeeco.com>
To: agalluccio@ci.cambridge.ma.us
Subject: A friend of Cambridge has passed
Date sent: Fri, 9 Nov 2001 14:33:36 -0500

Dear Mr. Mayor,

I am writing you this quick note to tell you of the passing of a man who has done much for the community of Cambridgeport. Ted Littlefield tragically took his life on Wednesday after a long bout with depression.

Ted was a great friend to many people in the community and worked to keep our community clean. Ted was an employee of Riverside Boat Club, his duties for the most part kept him keeping the boathouse and its grounds clean and tidy. But Ted did not stop there. He was always to be found in the area of Magazine beach mowing the lawn, picking weeds, picking up garbage. He would start at the BU bridge in the morning and work his way down to River Street by nightfall. All of this without ever being asked. He was also a great friend to the people at the Morse school. What made this all the more amazing is Ted's disability. He was seriously injured in a motorcycle accident many years ago, which put an end to a promising rowing career and left his legs seriously damaged..he used canes to get around.

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I was lucky enough to get to know Ted in the late 90's when I was an employee at Riverside Boat Club and will miss him greatly.

There are a great many people both at Riverside, and in Cambridgeport who will miss Ted dearly. I am hoping that you as Mayor can show your appreciation for his work to both his family, and his family at Riverside who are in mourning today. I am not sure what would be appropriate, perhaps planting a tree at Magazine beach in his honor...just an idea.

Thanks for your time.

Richard Branch
Economist
Decision Economics Inc.
One Boston Place, 16th Floor
Boston, MA 02110
617-994-0509

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CLERK
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

MEETING OF

SPONSOR (S)

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M Decker - 11/8/01 71:32 am
HD - 11/8/01 - 2:55 pm

ORDER

ORDERED:

That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to:

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED:

That the City Council go on record extending its:

Ed Littlefield

*Groundskeeper @
Riverside Boat Club*

From: **WCourier@CI.Cambridge.MA.US (William F. Courier)**
Organization: **City of Cambridge, Massachusetts**
To: **PCrane@CI.Cambridge.MA.US (Paula Crane)**
Date sent: **Wed, 14 Nov 2001 15:23:33 -0500**
Subject: **Re: death**
Send reply to: **wcourier@ci.cambridge.ma.us**
Priority: **normal**

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Hi Paula,
The ref dept tried from 11/1 on and
can not find anything. They also
tried the Globe index. Sorry.
Take care.
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ORDERED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to prepare a suitable resolution on the death of Ted Littlefield.

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Resolution #16

Resolution to be prepared on the
death of Ted Littlefield.

**Councillors Decker, Davis and
entire membership**

In City Council November 19, 2001

ORDER ADOPTED