

Jeffrey J. Vecchione



EASTHAM — Jeffrey J. Vecchione, of Eastham, and formerly of East Douglas, died unexpectedly at home on May 18, 2010.

The son of the late Felix S. and Viola L. (Hippert) Vecchione, Jeff is survived by his wife of 34 years, Brenda, of Eastham; a son, Tye and his girlfriend Jennifer Kelliher of Chatham and son Keith, also of Chatham; two brothers, Donald of Orleans and David and his wife Mitchell of East Douglas; a sister, Eleanor Luneau and her husband Phil of East Douglas; sister-in-law Cynthia Deslaurias of Eastham; and many nieces and nephews. Jeff was predeceased by his brother Guy, and nephew Sgt. Mark Vecchione.

Born in Worcester, Jeff was raised in East Douglas, where he graduated from Douglas Memorial High School. He spent much of his childhood at his father's garage, Douglas Motor Sales, pumping gas and pursuing his interest in motors.

As a young man, he followed this love for automobiles, learning the art of auto body repair and becoming an automobile appraiser, working for Hanover Insurance and then Commerce Insurance. He also spent several years at Assumption College as the maintenance mechanic, and then Chabot Motors in Millbury as a service manager.

Over the years, he meticulously restored several cars, including his most recent project, a white '64 Ford Thunderbolt. Jeff enjoyed the past 13 years working with the young men and women in the Auto Collision department at Cape Cod Tech.

When Jeff was in high school, his parents purchased several properties in Eastham, where they would spend summers for the next 20 years. Jeff and Brenda and, later, the boys too, enjoyed many vacations on the Lower Cape.

In 1990, Jeff, Brenda and the boys moved to Eastham to live and work. More recently, Jeff and Brenda had been leaving the Cape on busy weekends and during the summer to spend idyllic days in New Portland, Maine, where Jeff enjoyed four-wheeling and snowmobiling in the northwestern mountains.

Visiting hours will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, May 20, at Nickerson Funeral Home, 77 Eldredge Park Way, Orleans. A 10 a.m. funeral Mass will be held at St. Joan of Arc on Friday, May 21, in Orleans.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent in Jeff's name to The Angel Fund at Cape Cod Tech, Pleasant Lake Ave., Harwich, MA 02645.

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