



Melinda (Robart) Ryder

September 6, 2017

She graduated from Middlebury College with a degree in mathematics.

Melinda worked for the National Security Agency and in the special education department of the Ayer Public Schools. She volunteered her time with the Townsend Historic Society and Camp Pasquaney.

She and her husband were active member of the Townsend Congregational Church. She enjoyed traveling and bird watching.

She leaves her husband of 56 years, Dr. David F. Ryder; a son and daughter in law, Donald W. and Dale Ryder of Carlisle; a daughter and son in law, Cindy and Peter Matthes of Belmont; three brothers, Willard H. Robart of Beaufort, SC, Chester W. Robart of Epping, NH, Ralph S. Robart of Newton; four grandchildren, Peter Ryder, Lindsay Ryder, Maxwell Matthes and Anna Matthes.

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oyoxieqivi - October 13, 2017 at 10:51 AM

JK

“ David,
We were deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Melinda. Our thoughts and Prayers are with you and family at this time of sorrow. May God's Peace and Blessings be with you, and may He bring you strength. ”

John and Dianne Koski - September 17, 2017 at 08:29 PM

CB

“ Dave, I am so sorry to hear about your loss of Melinda. I have many wonderful memories of you both through my childhood. My heart goes out to you and your family. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. ”

Carrie Baro - September 15, 2017 at 09:31 AM

DW

“ I had the pleasure of knowing Mrs Ryder thru our banking and business relationships. Melinda was a kind and caring woman. And always looking for the best interest rate for the church's money...lol...

God now has another perfect angel and may she dance on the clouds.

With much sympathy,
Debora Woollacott

Debora Woollacott - September 14, 2017 at 04:58 AM

IH

“ David & Family, we are both so very sorry to hear of Melinda's passing. It was so good to see all of you at Jean Tyler's 80th. Our prayers are with all of you.

Ida & Ron Hurd - September 10, 2017 at 06:18 PM

JD

“ We have had over 50 years of great memories with the Ryders. We've shared many Christmas eves, meals, bird watching around Newfound Lake. We've watched our children and grandchildren grow. Somehow our lives will not be the same, we will miss Melinda. Our sympathy and love go out to David, Donald, Dale, Cindy, Chip and the grandchildren.

John & Elaine D'Angelillo - September 10, 2017 at 01:02 PM

CH

“ I knew Melinda as both a library patron and as a fellow Congregationalist; she was a woman who was both loving and wise. Her passing leaves a definitive hole in the universe.

Cathy Hill - September 10, 2017 at 12:32 PM

LT

“ Many years and memories of Melinda and Dave in many different settings. One special memory of a year when I had two of my nieces living with us and one had serious surgery. Melinda tutored her for several months and she was able to keep up and pass on to her next grade.

Louise Thorpe - September 09, 2017 at 09:21 PM

ES

“ I worked with Melinda at Page Hilltop. She always had a smile and a good word to share. I will miss her so much. God bless your family.

Edith Stephen - September 09, 2017 at 09:17 PM

EI

“ We met David and Melinda while attending graduate school at the University of Maryland and have enjoyed their friendship ever since. We lived in West Townsend while Everett and David were employed at Fitchburg State College. Melinda was a very caring individual. Donald and Cindy: Our thoughts are with you as you will miss your mother, but you will always remember her love for each of you. God Bless each of you!

Everett and Julie Israel - September 09, 2017 at 01:26 PM

LM

“ Dear David and family, my sympathy and love to you on the passing of your dear Melinda. It hardly seems possible...my family has many happy memories of you and Melinda as part of our church family. I got to know her even better when we became neighbors in West Townsend, and when she joined the handbell choir- that was so much fun! I will miss her intelligent insights, her sense of humor, and her considerate compassion, among so many other positive traits. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time. ❤️

Lee McTighe - September 09, 2017 at 01:24 PM

JM

“ We knew Melinda and David through our friendship with John and Linda Leng. We socialized and hiked together over the years. So sorry to hear of Melinda's passing. Please accept our condolences, Cindy.

Judy and Bob McVittie - September 09, 2017 at 10:51 AM

PS

“ Our heartfelt sympathy to you, David, and your family. Melinda was so kind. I remember when our son was very small and in tears because he accidentally let a helium balloon go on the common. Melinda and Nancy Shepherd instantly ran off to get him another one. Such a good memory and just one of many kindnesses.

Pam and Jock Snaith - September 09, 2017 at 08:38 AM

DB

“ Our prayers for peace and comfort are with you Dave and your family and friends. We have great memories and are thankful for sharing a neighborhood with you both for so many years.

David and Cece Brooks - September 09, 2017 at 08:17 AM

LS

“ *To David and Family
Words fail me at this time. Please know that my thoughts are with all of you in this time and Melinda is now an angel to all who knew and loved her. She was one in a million*

Laura Shifrin - September 08, 2017 at 10:11 PM

JN

“ *Dave and family, our sincere condolences go out to you in your time of loss. We have many fond memories of traveling with Melinda and Dave since we met them in Costa Rica. We have truly lost a good friend.*

Jim and Iris Notestine - September 08, 2017 at 10:02 PM

JL

“ *We will miss Melinda and will treasure all our adventures with her and David over the years. Our thoughts are with David, their children and grandchildren at this sad time.*

John and Linda Leng - September 08, 2017 at 08:47 PM

MT

“ *Uncle David, Don & Cindy you all are in my prayers! Aunt Melinda will be greatly missed! I can remember all the lovely stories she shared of the many travels and learning about our family history! Her memories will remain in our hearts forever!*

Margaret (Meg) Tyler

Margaret (Meg) Tyler - September 08, 2017 at 08:01 PM

LF

“ Dear David and family, Sending you much love and shared sadness. What a wonderful, kind hearted woman Melinda was. With great sympathy, The Hunt family

Lisa Hunt and family - September 08, 2017 at 05:51 PM

JF

“ Dave and family, my sincere condolences go out to you in your time of loss.

Janet Fortunato - September 08, 2017 at 05:01 PM

SD

“ Uncle David, Don & Cindy and your families,
We have all of you in our thoughts and prayers. I was sadden to hear of Aunt Melinda gone. She will always be with us all in our hearts. She and Uncle David always live life to the fullest and she is very much loved by all. God bless.
Much love,
Beth & Steve Comminos, Meg, Steven, Bill & Don

Steve & Beth (Tyler) Comminos and Meg, Steven, Bill & Don - September 08, 2017 at 04:38 PM

GT

“ We send our sympathies and will have everyone in our prayers. It's so hard to believe she is gone...can't imagine not seeing posts of she & Uncle David on their trips. They have always been such an inspiration to us of how to live a full life. All our love to the family.
With love,
Ginny & Mark

Ginny and Mark Taylor - September 08, 2017 at 03:17 PM

LB

“ To David and the entire Ryder family, our condolences and prayers go out to you. Melinda was a wonderful woman and will be sorely missed. With love, Lyn and David Bennett.

Lyn and David Bennett - September 08, 2017 at 02:05 PM

CC

“ To Dave and rhe Ryder family,
Stephen and I would like to express our sincerest sympathy for the loss of dear Melinda .
What a strong and wonderful woman!
We are sorry not to be able to attend the upcoming services, as we are out of town.
Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you .
Love, Sherrie and Stephen Cloutier

Cheryl and Stephen Cloutier - September 08, 2017 at 01:57 PM

RG

“ We will sorely miss our dear friend and neighbor. Countless memories and precious personal reflections will stay with us forever. We feel blessed to have had her powerful force in our lives. Our thoughts and our prayers are with David and his family.

Ron and Barb Galloni - September 08, 2017 at 10:43 AM

BB

“ We are deeply saddened by the loss of a friend and neighbor. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Dave and his family. She was a good person and will be missed. We lost a friend , but heaven gained an angle.

Bill and Karen Baro - September 08, 2017 at 10:20 AM

CW

“ *My sincere and heartfelt sympathy to the Ryder family for their tragic loss. Melinda was always a pleasant and gentle lady who will be greatly missed.*

Carol Wright - September 07, 2017 at 09:15 PM