



## Natalie Jean Davulis

November 13, 1951 - August 21, 2020

TOWNSEND - Natalie Jean Davulis, 68 of Townsend, passed away quietly, peacefully, at her home on Friday, August 21, 2020.

Born in Boston, Natalie was the eldest of four siblings, born to the late Natale and Gina R. (Guidetti) Catalani.

Natalie was a strong willed, career oriented woman. After teaching children on a Navajo reservation in New Mexico, she married her husband Vin and moved to Townsend, MA in 1976 where they raised two daughters. Natalie taught school in Townsend, Pepperell, and Amherst NH, and for over two decades she taught 7th grade math and geography in Lunenburg. This turned out to be very rewarding for her as she was able to influence many students. She always remarked how neat it was to be visited by former students who would talk about their high regard for her. During her time as a teacher at Turkey Hill Middle School, she also earned her Master's degree in Education from Fitchburg State College.

Natalie had a positive influence on children even before her career took hold. She was a Campfire Leader for several years, teaching young girls the life skills they'd need to succeed and thrive. Its programs also emphasized camping and other outdoor activities. Natalie also was a CCD Teacher for five years, helping children develop a moral code to live by. As a member of the

community, Natalie and her husband were part of the Couple's Club in Townsend.

Upon retirement Natalie found opportunities to volunteer. She helped with the Meals on Wheels program in Townsend. In this way she was helping the elderly with their nutritional needs but often spent time talking with them to better understand their situations. She also found time to volunteer at Heywood Hospital in Gardner, working in their gift store. Additionally, she became certified to help senior citizens with their taxes at the Senior Center. In her spare time, she loved to read and took up painting and creative arts.

Natalie was a woman very willing to give her best to others, and always grateful for her health and opportunities she had to help those less fortunate. She was an avid traveler throughout her life, traveling to 11 countries and almost all the 50 states, loved being in nature, whether it was biking, hiking, or out on a kayak, and strongly supported women's rights.

Natalie is survived by her husband, Vincent Davulis; her daughters, Andrea Davulis and her husband Garrett Dancik of Worcester, and Leeann Davulis of Newport, RI; her brother, Marc Catalani and his wife Lauren Hurley of Billerica; her sister, Laura Nichols and her husband Paul of Burlington; nephews, Paul Nichols, Jr., and his wife Bonnie, Michael Nichols and wife Bevin, and James Nichols, all of Burlington. In addition to her parents, Natalie was predeceased by her sister, Teresa Maloney and her surviving husband Thomas Maloney of Woburn.

A Memorial Service for Natalie will be held privately. In lieu of flowers, donations in Natalie's honor may be made to the Doctors without Borders at [www.doctorswithoutborders.org](http://www.doctorswithoutborders.org).

Natalie's services are under the direction of T.J Anderson Funeral Home, 250

Main Street, Townsend. For information or to leave an online  
condolence, please visit [www.andersonfuneral.com](http://www.andersonfuneral.com).

# Tribute Wall

MA

“ *Natalie will be missed by so many, she is a wonderful memory of my childhood on Mohawk over 50 years ago. Rest In Peace, May you be reunited with open arms with your loving mom, dad, and sister.*

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**Margaret Alden** - August 30, 2020 at 08:45 PM

CB

“ *I will always remember your generosity of opening your house to family. Those memories will never be forgotten and neither will you. Love, Carol*

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**Carol Burke** - August 30, 2020 at 06:58 PM

BL

“ *We are very fortunate to have spent a few days with Natalie and Vin as well as Joy and Gary last summer in Carthage, Maine. We had a great time hiking, boating, going out to dinner, and best of all sitting around the campfire sharing memories. It was great reading all Natalie had done in her life! She was an amazing woman. May God Bless all her family and friends with "tAnd the peace of God which passes all understanding". Peace, Billy and Jill Larson*

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**Billy and Jill Larson** - August 30, 2020 at 06:14 PM

BV

“ *Vin, Jerry and I have such nice memories of our time spent with you and Natalie while living in Spring, Texas. She was a wonderful person who enjoyed life to the fullest. Love the photos of her that you posted. Barbara Vadeboncoeur*

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**Barbara Vadeboncoeur** - August 29, 2020 at 07:25 AM

VI

“ 4 files added to the album Memories Album



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**Vin** - August 27, 2020 at 05:47 PM

JB

*just wow...*

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**JEANNE BUTTS** - August 27, 2020 at 09:04 PM

JB

“ *"The world's thy ship not thy home." St. Therese of Lisieux.....Natalie, with intention, made her life a meaningful journey and touched the lives of so many on her way home. She steered her ship thoughtfully and with a sense of adventure and purpose giving us memories to hold close and motivation to make each day count. You will be missed, I'm so happy you chose my brother as your shipmate.....Love, Jeanne & Tom, Sam, Tori & Nora, Julia, & Juan Pablo, and Thomas.*

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**Jeanne Butts** - August 27, 2020 at 01:16 PM

RA

“ We will miss that beautiful smile and piercing lovely eyes. You will always be remembered by each of us, the laughs we had and the sorrows we shared. Natalie, looking at your picture it is impossible to believe you have left us. Although gone you will forever be in our hearts and thoughts. The thoughts will bring smiles to our lips and warmth in our hearts. Someday we will meet again in a better place. We see you up there smiling down at us and feeling so good after all you deserve the best of what is yet to come.

Our Love,  
Cousin Bobbie & Jerry

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**Roberta & Jerry Adams** - August 27, 2020 at 01:08 PM

JH

“ My dear friend since first grade in Burlington, MA, you will be missed. May God bless Natalie, Vin and family at this difficult time. " Good Friends are like stars, You don't always see them but you know they are always there".

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**Joy and Gary Hayes** - August 27, 2020 at 01:06 PM

JL

“ Natalie will be missed and I was proud to be a friend

John Lafond

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**John Lafond** - August 27, 2020 at 12:16 PM

KS

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



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**Karen Shorey** - August 27, 2020 at 11:54 AM

LS

“ *To all of Natalie's Family  
Very sorry for your loss, may she rest in peace, her life was surely a  
blessing to all she touched.*

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**Laura E Shifrin** - August 27, 2020 at 08:38 AM

MF

“ *Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord; and let perpetual light shine  
upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.*

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**Mr & Mrs Wm. Davulis and Family** - August 26, 2020 at 09:30 PM