



Roy Hall, 3rd, of Lunenburg

September 9, 1944 - May 25, 2026

Lunenburg - Roy Hall, 3rd, 81, of Lunenburg, MA passed away peacefully on Monday, May 25, 2026, following a brief illness, at Emerson Hospital in Concord.

Born in Chelsea, Massachusetts on September 9, 1944, he was the son of the late Roy Hall, Jr. and Jane (Grady) Hall, and grew up in Belmont, MA with one sister, Mary G. Hall. In his youth he was surrounded by many extended family members, in particular, his maiden Irish aunts, with whom he maintained a close relationship throughout their lives. Roy also developed many lifelong friendships with neighbors and classmates. He was a graduate of Belmont High School, Class of 1962 and received his Bachelor's Degree in Education from Framingham State College.

Following graduation, Roy began his career within the Massachusetts State College System at Framingham State College, where he was instrumental in the early development of computer services. He then moved on to Fitchburg State College, where he spent the majority of his career. Eventually serving as the Director of Internet Computer Technology Services, Roy and his talented staff developed the systems and infrastructure that carried Fitchburg State College (now University) into the Twenty First Century. He was a leader both at work and at home, passing on a wealth of knowledge and wisdom to his children.

Roy and his wife Jane have been residents of Lunenburg for 47 years. He was a committed member of his community, at one time serving on the Lunenburg Finance Committee. In the early 90s, he recognized that the high school lacked a boys hockey program, and with the help of several committed Boosters, was instrumental in establishing the Lunenburg High School hockey program, which continues today as the Lunenburg, Ayer/Shirley Blue Knights.

Roy was an avid reader and a dedicated patron of the Lunenburg Public Library. He frequented the library on a regular basis, especially during his years of retirement from Framingham State College, and it is estimated that he borrowed and read upwards of two thousand books.

Growing up, Roy's summers were spent with his extended family in Scituate, MA, creating cherished memories. In later years, he enjoyed many wonderful summers on Cape Cod with his friends and eventually with his wife and children. The people and places he spent time with throughout those years remained forever close to his heart.

To say that Roy was proud of his Irish heritage would be an understatement. He rarely left home without his signature Scally cap and was a dedicated fan of Irish folk music, especially The Clancy Brothers and Tommy Makem. Sunday mornings were always spent attending Saint Boniface Church with his family, listening to Brian O'Donovan's radio program, The Celtic Sojourn and reading the Sunday newspaper. Roy and Jane were able to celebrate their Irish heritage, enjoying several wonderful trips to Ireland with family and friends, especially in April of 2016 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Irish Rebellion.

The guiding principles of Roy's life were dedication and loyalty. His commitment to his friends and family will never be forgotten and the wisdom

he passed to his children will be shared and carried on for generations to come.

Roy leaves behind his wife of 52 years, Jane (Robinson) Hall, his son, Roy and wife, Alison of Leominster; three daughters, Mary Jane Hall of Lunenburg, Sarah A. Hall and husband, Ryan Smith, of Littleton, and Kathryn E. Hall and her husband, Ben Ryan, of Greenwood, ME; seven grandchildren, Maddox Hall, Ronan, Bennett and Harrison Smith, Theodore and River Ryan, and Ford Hall. Sister-in-law, Paula Valentine and husband, Jeff of Shrewsbury, MA; and Sister-in-law Ann Walsh, of Windsor, CT, as well as many nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his sister, Mary G. and Brother-in-Law, Edward Kendall, Waltham and Brother-in-Law, William Walsh.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Friday, June 5, 2026, at 10:00 AM at Our Lady of the Lake Church, 1400 Main Street, Leominster. Interment will follow at North Cemetery, Lunenburg. Calling hours will be held on Thursday, June 4, from 4:00 to 7:00 PM in the Anderson Funeral Home, 25 Fitchburg Rd., Ayer, MA.

In lieu of flowers, if you wish, memorial contributions may be made in memory of Roy to: Friends of the Lunenburg Public Library or to Our Lady of the Lake Parish Food Pantry.

Cemetery Details

North Cemetery

Holman St.
Lunenburg, MA 01462

Previous Events

Calling Hours

JUN 4. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Anderson Funeral Home - Ayer
25 Fitchburg Road ~ Route 2A
Ayer, MA 01432
(978) 772-2355

Funeral Mass

JUN 5. 10:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of the Lake Church
1400 MainSt.
Leominster, MA 01453

Tribute Wall

JC

“ I was an associate of Roy's through the years working at another state school. He was always kind and generous with his time and saved me from a disastrous graduate course study by spending hours with me explaining how Framingham State College was implementing their laptop program. At the time laptops were exotic items seldom found in student hands. Roy tutored me all the way and I pulled a good grade out of what was becoming a total loss. That was the man in a nutshell, giving and gracious with his time and mind. We shared a common love of Ireland and reading and humor. I will miss his email joke bombs that were always appreciated. I was glad he had some good years after retirement and after we computer people stopped meeting in Gardner monthly for education, gossip, and lunch. I will miss my friend always.

John Callahan - June 05 at 12:39 PM

KH

Thank you for sharing your memories of our Father, John. I enjoyed reading this today.

-Kathryn, Roy's Daughter

Kathryn Hall - June 08 at 09:15 AM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Roy Hall, 3rd, of Lunenburg.



June 03 at 03:40 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Roy Hall, 3rd, of Lunenburg.*



June 03 at 08:57 AM



“ *So very sad to hear about Roy's passing. Always enjoyed walking into the Hall home and having great conversations with Roy. Such a great family guy with a fun personality. So many fond memories. Sending our condolences to the Hall Family. I know this wonderful family and close friends are there to support you during this difficult time.*

Sarah and Frank Hewitt

Sarah Hewitt - June 02 at 05:08 PM

AW

“ Oh so many over 54 years awesome memories of my brother in law Roy .

We go back to when was living in Windsor with our family and going to school . The love of her life as time progressed was Roy. I was Jane's Maid of honor and Kelley and my Pat were flower girls .Whenever We moved as time went on Jane a nd Roy would be there to help . We all celebrated holidays together, as time went on my nieces and nephew grew older we were at Hampton or the Cape . Roy appeared to be the quiet one but his humor and wit and his love of his Irish heritage was far reaching to his soul . A finer man , we will never know . I know he and my Bill are having a grand time together with all their family and friends . To all my nieces , nephew , wives, and son in law you had the best God had yo offer . He was gold for loving and teaching you all in quiet smiling way . Oh so many memories for all of you to ponder on as the days go by . My thoughts and prayers are with all of you and particularly for all the grandkids . Thank you Roy , Jane and Family for sharing Roy . . Lots of love healing prayers and of so many great memories. Ann Walsh, Sissy and auntie Ann .

Ann Walsh - May 31 at 05:12 PM