



## Sean Patrick Nolan

February 11, 2023

Sean Patrick Nolan, 58, passed away unexpectedly February 11, 2023.

Born in Wareham, MA, he was the son of the late John “Jack” Nolan III and Judith Coakley.

Sean was the loving husband of Karen A. (Turpin) Nolan, devoted father of Timothy, Bridget, Aidan, Colleen, and Heather Nolan; cherished brother of Jacqueline Lee (wife of Lawrence Lee) and Mary Jane O’Regan (wife of Joseph O’Regan); He also leaves many nieces and nephews that he cared for deeply.

Sean graduated from the University of Rhode Island with a Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy and the University of Massachusetts with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology. Sean was a Clinical Pharmacy Informatics Coordinator at Rhode Island Hospital where he worked for 25 years.

Sean enjoyed spending time with his family, surfing, handcrafting and playing guitars, woodworking, bicycling, kayaking, and photography. Sean also enjoyed boxing during his college years and was the University College Cork (UCC) Boxing Club lightweight champion in 1986-1987.

Visitation will be held Sunday, February 19, 2023, from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. in the Winfield & Sons Funeral Home, 571 West Greenville Road, Scituate, RI. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Monday, February 20, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. in St. Phillip's Parish, 622 Putnam Pike, Greenville, RI, followed by burial in Gate of Heaven Cemetery, at 550 Wampanoag Trail, Riverside, RI.

In lieu of flowers, consider making a donation to Habitat for Humanity.

# Cemetery Details

## Gate of Heaven Cemetery

550 Wampanoag Trail  
East Providence, RI 02915

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **19**. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Winfield & Sons Funeral Home and Crematory  
571 West Greenville Road (Route 116)  
Scituate, RI 02857  
(401) 647-5421

## Mass of Christian Burial

FEB **20**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Phillip Church  
622 Putnam Pike  
Smithfield, RI 02828

# Tribute Wall

BS

“ I am so sorry to hear about Sean. He was my neighbor in Mansfield when he was growing up. He we t to work for me pumping gas. Really like part of my family Every year we exchanged Christmas cards. Breaks my heart. Sorry I am just finding out about this now.

---

**Bob Sanford** - November 16, 2023 at 09:42 PM

BR

“ So sad, Sean always a great friend, we worked together at Pleasant Street Shell, bought your car, sold you my motorcycle, great Friend, Rest in Peace

---

**Brian** - November 16, 2023 at 08:44 PM

BW

“ Dearest family of Sean, Jackie and Mary! I'm shocked and sick for you all! Your brother was so exceptional! I ran with the 3 of you all through high school and love you all! He was always exceptionally nice, dedicated, loyal and consistent. I remember when your parents let us have the track party at your home in Mansfield. Such a great family. SOOO devastating for all of you, his wife and especially his children. Try to remember he is in a much better place watching from above! We will all be reunited in our real home in heaven. Love to All! I just found out I will try to make the funeral. LOVE you, Bridget Whittington high school cross country and track mate.

---

**bridget whittington** - March 08, 2023 at 06:52 PM

MH

“ Dear Karen and Family, I know no words can give you peace during this time of grief. May the many happy memories you have give you comfort..  
Sincerely, Michele Hamill

---

**Michele Hamill** - March 02, 2023 at 04:07 PM

DC

“ To the entire Nolan family, we just heard of Sean's passing and are so so sorry for your entire family's loss. Please know you're in our thoughts and prayers.  
Dale Calcione and the entire staff of Greenville Nursery School.

---

**Dale f Calcione** - March 01, 2023 at 10:57 AM

SD

“ Karen & Family, I was shocked when I heard of the passing of Sean. Sean was a great person who had the passion to help others succeed. He will be dearly missing. I worked close with him on his computer equipment at Lifespan and always looked forward to working with him. He was energetic and always offered me a Diet Coke when I visited to upgrade or fix his computer. I will miss those moments. May he rest in peace..

---

**Shawn Dias** - February 20, 2023 at 09:00 AM

RS

“ One of the finest men I have had the pleasure of knowing. Always ready to help with a kind smile and always enjoyable to talk to with a gift of putting anyone at ease. A regular guy with an extraordinary dedication to his family and profession which is rare these days. He will be forever remembered

---

**Raymond a Spinella** - February 19, 2023 at 12:18 PM

LS

“ Karen and family, Sean was a genuine, one of a kind person who I was fortunate enough to have had the opportunity to work with. Always positive, uplifting with a smile, all while getting the job done. I am so fortunate to have had our paths cross in this lifetime up until very recently and I will always remember the bright, kind, genuine person of Sean. God bless you all and know that you are very much in all of our thoughts and prayers. May the happy memories sustain you and guide you through this most difficult time.

---

**Lynn Shea** - February 19, 2023 at 12:06 PM

MM

“ Karen, I am so very sorry for your loss. I am not able to attend the services but and keeping you and your family in my prayer. Sending prayers for comfort and peace.

---

**Maggie Gough Mann** - February 19, 2023 at 11:02 AM

JA

“ Karen and family, I am so deeply sorry for your loss. Thinking of you and sending strength during this incredibly difficult time.

---

**Janet** - February 19, 2023 at 09:41 AM

JN

“ As a preceptor and mentor to me, I will always remember his smile whenever I talked with him regardless of how busy he was. Thank you, Sean, for being an amazing person and showing me how to be a professional in a working environment. My condolences to the Nolan's family and Rest in Peace Sean.

*James Ning*

---

**James Ning** - February 19, 2023 at 06:23 AM

JO

“ We are very sorry for your family's loss.

*The Olney Family*

Jeff Olney - February 18, 2023 at 03:07 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Sean Patrick Nolan.



February 18, 2023 at 02:26 PM

PM

“ Karen, Tim and family..  
We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Sending sympathy and prayers to all of you during this difficult time.

*The Marzano Family*

Pamela Marzano - February 18, 2023 at 06:01 AM

JM

“ I'm shocked and so saddened to have seen this. Sean was the best, and I loved working with him at the RIH. We passed many a 2nd shift together and he was always fun to work with. My deepest condolences to Karen, the kids, and the rest of the family. He will be missed.

Justin Marcoux - February 17, 2023 at 07:27 PM

SG

“ *Karen, Tim and Family,  
It is with great sadness, I have found out  
about your loss! Sean was a gentleman and  
great family man. Please accept mine and  
Jared's condolences. Please find comfort in  
all of your memories!  
Sharon and Jared Gravell  
Rest in Peace!!*



---

**Sharon Gravell** - February 17, 2023 at 04:10 PM

“ I entered this family later in life and as I was being brought up to speed on all the family members by my wife Lynne (Karen’s cousin), she would describe this person that loved her cousin and his family tremendously and was someone full of life who always came with a smile on his face and a willingness to help. Someone that had a childish grin and smile every time he saw the ocean or a chance to light a bonfire in the back yard and have you sit and enjoy smores and good conversation. A welcoming person who you just wanted to spend time with- whether it be going out to dinners in Narragansett, playing wiffle ball in the backyard or mini golf or just watching firework displays or sitting watching the waves come in. I would hear stories of his enjoyment of surfing and then his time boxing and always how much he was involved with his children, how he made you feel a part of his life and how he truly did care about others first. A deep-thinking person devoted to his wife and family which you were quickly made a part of.

*This is someone I needed to meet.*

*And I will say all the stories were true. Sean welcomed me with that big smile and a humorous joke and wanted to know all about me in a really true sense. I was quickly brought into the enjoyment that I had heard about for a long time. I watched as Sean would tell stories of his family and he took great pride in doing so. Sean shared his love of life with others and quickly brought me into his world with open arms and a huge grin that made any bad day seem not worth the care. He was a person that quickly grew on you and brightened your life just by him being a part of it. We were able to spend time with Sean and his family for a summer vacation and my fondest memories were of him showing me around where he grew up – his favorite pizza and ice cream spots, where he worked, and the stories of his youth, his adventures, where he met and would take Karen for dates, and he told it with that smile of someone that truly enjoyed life.*

*There is so much to say and so little time to do it.*

*Lynne and I know that we are better people because Sean was in our lives. We were truly blessed to be a part of his life and will miss him every day. But with the image as we say of his Irish grin and*

*knowing that he will always be a part of our lives, in our hearts and memories we will never forget. Until we meet again...  
Peace.....Love, Charles and Lynne Sanbe*

---

**Charles Sanbe** - February 17, 2023 at 02:03 PM

AA

“*Karen and family- I am so terribly sorry for this immense loss. I am proud to have worked alongside Sean at RIH. He was one of the kindest and most genuine people I have been lucky to meet. Sending you peace and comfort* ❤️

---

**Amanda Adams** - February 17, 2023 at 01:44 PM



“ Sean’s passing is not only the loss of a dear colleague, but also a dear friend. So many of us grew up with Sean professionally. We have observed first hand his many contributions to RIH and Lifespan and his dedication to ensuring medication safety through his combined knowledge of clinical pharmacy and informatics. We have seen him rally a team and keep the momentum going when major projects start to get overwhelming. And we have witnessed the positive energy that he can fill a room with, even when times are tough and problems are tougher. We have all benefited from his character – strong values, highly engaged, vibrant, positive role model, relentless supporter...

*The painful void that we feel with Sean’s loss is deep and vast. Fortunately the wonderful memories we have of Sean are also vast. He will forever be a part of our pharmacy family, and the many stories we have of him will endure and bring us comfort (and more than a few laughs, just as he would want it).*

*We are also heartbroken for our other dear colleague, Karen. She is loved and cared for by her entire work family and we are here to support her however we can. Karen is usually the one to bring the strength and support to everyone else. This time we’re here to support her.*

*Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of Sean’s family,*

*Christine Collins and the pharmacy team across Lifespan*

---

**Christine Collins** - February 17, 2023 at 01:25 PM

TF

“ To the Nolan family: We send our sincere sympathy for the sudden loss of your loved one. May you find comfort in the days ahead through the love of family and friends, and from all those whose lives Sean touched on his journey.



---

**The Ricciarelli Family** - February 17, 2023 at 10:45 AM

RD

“ It is unbelievable that Sean is no longer with us in person. I will remember him for his thoughtfulness, warmth and compassion. I worked with Sean a few times in the inpatient pharmacy when I joined Rhode Island Hospital 13 years ago. Sean always had a smile on his face, patiently listened to my questions and answered them thoughtfully. I transitioned to ambulatory care and did not see him often, but the few times we interacted, most recently on February 7th, he was still the same affable gentleman.



*My deepest condolences to Karen, Tim, Bridget, Aiden, Colleen, Heather, the entire Nolan and Turpin families. Keeping you in my prayers. May God comfort you with his peace.*

*Sean, you will be sorely missed! We will carry on your legacy of kindness.*

*Rest in perfect peace, dear friend!*

---

**Ruth Dapaah-Afriyie** - February 17, 2023 at 08:34 AM

DD

“ I’m stunned to hear of Sean’s passing. I worked on many committees with him at Lifespan for POM and MAK. He was so passionate about his job and was an advocate for patients and staff with any pharmacy needs or questions. My sincerest sympathy to his family and friends. Donna Dumouchel

---

Donna Dumouchel - February 16, 2023 at 10:47 PM

AF

“ I will always remember how supportive and loving Sean was when I joined the family in my engagement and marriage to my wife, Kelly. Sean was so kind and accepting. I felt a special kinship with our shared Irish heritage - somehow I felt a kinship that felt like it had been forged over decades, not merely years.



When I proposed to my wife, he was one of our strongest proponents. For that I will always be appreciative and thankful.

I remember Sean playing with his children in their pool in the back yard - swimming, playing and having a good time. I loved swimming with his children and mine in their pool, having a nice cookout and loving children, family and life.

Sean immediately made me feel like one of the family - for that I am eternally grateful.

Slán leat,

Al Fleming

---

Al Fleming - February 16, 2023 at 09:16 PM

KF

“ I was around 2 years old when my sister brought Sean home as her boyfriend (and soon to be husband). Immediately, I loved and idolized him - and that has continued through to present day. He never said no, did everything for everyone and loved anyone. This is a man who, when I was 3 went out into the pouring rain to find my lost spider hat on Halloween night to alleviate my tears. He was a man who at age 4 played Barbie Dream Date with me and selected his dress, shoes and flowers as a girl even though I said "Sean, it's a boys game too." He never challenged me that it wasn't, even though I admit now that it wasn't.

*This is a man who, on the night gave me sister an engagement ring, gave me a bride barbie so I would feel included in their love and celebration. My memories are abundant--watching the reality show, Stud, with Karen and Sean tolerating our foolishness. Sean taking me to buy a ring for Karen at an Irish store and swearing me to secrecy, and buying me Awful Awfuls at Newport Creamery. I remember watching boxing with him and him winning a specific game of "rock, paper, scissors" where he won and even though Karen and I wanted to play scrabble or Yahtzee, he chose going to bed. That was a surprise, and disappointing, but funny as times goes on.*

*I spent weeks with them as a child, and as a teenager and even babysat so they could take dancing classes at Waterfires. So many weeks of my life as a youth were spent with Sean. Into my adult years, I'll cherish that he always sent me a texts to thank me for birthday and Christmas presents, and texting to congratulate me on my engagement, the birth of my children and so forth. He never forgot me or ignored my milestones. I have so many memories double dating to Newport Mansions, candle making, escape rooms and to hosting murder mysteries at their house and other locations.*

*I appreciate the way he loves my sister and the way he showed love to Al and my children--from holding them, to saying how much he loved their Irish names and how much I always, always, knew he*

*loved me as a little sister. I will never ever forget him, and I will always, forever, miss and love him.*

*With love,*

*Kelly (Turpin) Fleming*

---

**Kelly Fleming** - February 16, 2023 at 08:52 PM

SV

“ *Always a good start to the day when you saw Sean first thing in the morning right before the morning huddle saying hello doing his thing. Grateful to have had the opportunity to learn from him. He took care of the team like a family and now it's our turn to do the same. Rest peacefully Sean. ---Sol*

---

**Solyris J Vega** - February 16, 2023 at 08:10 PM

JJ

“ *Sean was a wonderful person and had such a beautiful, easy smile. My condolences to his family and friends. Karen, my thoughts and prayers are with your entire family.*

---

**Joanne Jannitto** - February 16, 2023 at 07:36 PM

BH

“ *Sean was one of the nicest people I have ever met. I am very lucky to have worked with him at Lifespan. He was so proud of his children, always providing updates on their accomplishments. I'll always remember his smile, especially when he was talking about Karen. May you find comfort in memories of happier times.*

---

**Britt Harrington** - February 16, 2023 at 06:47 PM

GM

“ Sean passing this early suddenly, many hearts broken and many tears are floating 😔  
Sean has one of the most beautiful soul that I know , he left a big legacy behind kindness and the beautiful smile first then looking down gracefully 😔 . I hope he's going to nicer place !  
And I ask God to help the family to get strength to cope with their loss 🙏

---

**Gaiane Martirosian** - February 16, 2023 at 04:22 PM

MT

“ Sean was a loving, happy and caring son-in-law. He always had a smile and was happy to see us. He cared deeply for family and always was willing to help anyone in need. We tried to think of a time where he said no to a request for his time and we could not come with a single instance. He was always very appreciative for anything that was done for him. We shared many wonderful times with him and the family. We remember the times he would light the campfire in the yard and we all could all sit around and cook smores.  
We loved him very much. He will certainly be missed but we have many fond memories to draw back upon and we know he is still with us in spirit.  
John and Judy Turpin

---

**Mr. & Mrs. John Turpin** - February 16, 2023 at 03:58 PM