



## G.E. Lawrence

August 3, 1948 - April 25, 2009

G.E. "Skip" Lawrence, companion of Adrienne Selinger, of Phoenixville, PA, died suddenly, April 25, 2009 in the Phoenixville Hospital, Phoenixville, PA. Born in Trenton, NJ, he was a son of the late George E. and Alice (Pettit) Lawrence. He attended high school in Trenton, earned his under-graduate degree in Government from Cornell University, and his graduate degree in Theology and Social Ethics from the Divinity School of the University of Chicago. Mr. Lawrence was employed by The Phoenix newspaper as a columnist and senior political correspondent. He was very active in the Phoenixville community where he lived and worked, volunteering for several community improvement boards, including the Main Street CDC (Community Development Corporation). Mr. Lawrence also volunteered in many areas of the non-profit sector in the Tri-County and Philadelphia areas, as well as other locations around the country. Of all of his accomplishments, Mr. Lawrence was most proud of his title "Pop-Pop" to his six grandchildren. He loved spending time with them no matter where he was or what he was doing. In addition to his companion of 23 years, Mr. Lawrence is survived by; one daughter, Heather L (Brad) Rabold, of Spring City, PA, one son; Chris E. Lawrence (Suzanne Banks), of Phoenixville, two step-children; April (Christopher) Cobb, of Spring City, Seamus Phillips, of Virginia, six grandchildren, one sister; Joan Peterson, of Florida, one brother; Robert Lawrence, of New Jersey; and every other person who had the opportunity to know him. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the Memorial Service at the Franklin Commons, 400 Franklin

Avenue, Phoenixville, PA 19460 on Thursday, April 30, 2009 at 4:00 PM. Officiating will be the Rev. Dale See. Burial will be held privately at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to the Stepping Stone Education Center, 400 Franklin Avenue, Phoenixville, PA 19460 or to the Arthritis Foundation, 111 S Independence Mall E, Philadelphia, PA 19106. The Campbell - Ennis - Klotzbach Funeral Home, Main Street at Fifth Avenue, Phoenixville, PA is in charge of the arrangements. Condolences may be made online at [www.PhoenixvilleFuneralHome.com](http://www.PhoenixvilleFuneralHome.com).

# Tribute Wall

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“ On behalf of the Arthritis Foundation, I would like to offer our condolences. Although I only met Skip the day of the Arthritis Walk, I feel as though I learned some things about his life and passions by reading the articles in the Phoenix. Praying for friends to comfort you, faith to uphold you, and loving memories to help you smile again. - Nancy Beidler

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**Arthritis Foundation - nbeidler@arthritis.org** - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

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“ It was our last coffee session when, after hearing Skip tell me about his theological studies, I said "Skip, you a treasure trove, that's what you are." I'm sorry you went so soon friend, there was so much more to learn. If there really is a communion of saints, pray for me Skip as I have in my own floundering way prayed for you. Michael

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**Michael Quay** - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

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“ To Skip's famiy, My heart and prayers go out to you during this time of sorrow. Please know that Skip has gone on to a better place where he can watch over us all, and work on our behalf in heavenly realm. He will be missed!

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**Denise Vinson - deniseyvinson@aol.com** - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

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“ *Adrienne and family, I am so shocked and so very sad to hear that Skip passed away this past weekend. I had to look twice to be sure of what I was reading. All of us from Sugartown Mews remember him with the greatest fondness. His kindness, intelligence, wit and genuiine love of people made him so special. You must be heartbroken and my heart aches for you. You are in my thoughts and prayers, as is Skip. With love, Lynn Angelo*

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**Lynn Angelo - lynnangelo@gmail.com** - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

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“ *So sorry to hear about your unexpected loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.*

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**Nick and Alicia Reiner (Old Neighbors) - AliciaC81@hotmail.com** - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

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“ *Heather and family, I was shocked and saddened to here of your father's passing this morning at pre-school. I know you were so close to him, as were your girls and you all must be devistated. He was such a good man and was always very kind when we would see him at school, in the neighborhood, or when we would see him at the park. I am very sorry for your loss, and you and your family will be in our thoughts and prayers. Kelly Billhime (your old neighbor)*

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**The Billhime family** - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM

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“ I'm am so sorry for your loss. I suppose when a person is such a gift his departure becomes all the more poignant. Skip truly was a blessing for so many. I had only met him in January and coming in as a Development person, he became (what felt to me like) my number 1 fan. Honestly, I felt as if he was a rock star and often told him so. I valued him as a friend and an incredible citizen. He leaves me with a compelling sense that we must always look for the higher good. I hope not to disappoint him.

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**Susan Mostek - Susan.Mostek@comcast.net** - July 19, 2013 at 08:37 AM