



Patricia Mary McConnell

August 12, 2012

Sussex - Patricia "Patty" M. McConnell, age 52, passed away on Thursday, August 12, 2012 at her residence. Born in Bethpage, Long Island, New York, Patty had moved to Sussex County 30 years ago. She had been employed at Selective Insurance Company in Branchville as a state filing analyst. Patty was an avid reader and frequented the library. She was also a pet lover and enjoyed going to the dog park and was known to treat her dogs and cats like her own children. Patty loved shoes, skiing and hiking and was fiercely loyal and protective to her family, who called her Sparky because she was such a firecracker. Patty is survived by her husband, Harold E. McConnell, Jr.; her son, Harold E. McConnell, III and his wife Robin of Alexandria, Virginia; her daughter, Jennifer A. O'Brien and her husband Gregory of Hackensack; her parents, Richard A. and Patricia A. (Ward) Derby of Westbury, New York; her brother, Richard Derby of Wantagh, New York; her three sisters, Ann Sidoti of Melbourne, Florida, Nancy Daly of Levittown, NY, and Margaret Millian of East Meadow, NY; and her two grandchildren, Cameron D. O'Brien and Riley A. McConnell. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, August 16, 2012 at 4 p.m. at the Pinkel Funeral Home, 31 Bank Street (Route 23), Sussex. Friends may pay their respects to the family on Thursday from 2 to 4 p.m. at the funeral home. Private cremation services will be held at the convenience of the family. Online condolences may be offered to the family at www.pinkelfuneralhome.com