

## Dr. William M. Connell



Dr. William Michael Connell, 54, of Newport, RI died unexpectedly from an apparent heart attack at his home, Monday February 1, 2016. Born in Newport, RI on June 15, 1961. He was the son of Phillip Michael Connell and Rosalie Ann Connell of Newport. He received a Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of Rhode Island with Phi Beta Kappa honors. Additionally, he received his medical degree from Georgetown University.

Doctor Connell first opened his internal medicine practice on Bellevue Avenue in 1992; and subsequently moved his practice to Middletown, RI. He was well known as a modern doctor with an old country doctor's style, personally visiting patients at their homes and allocating an abundance of time to each patient's office visit. He cared for his patients with kindness, dignity, and respect going out of his way to provide each patient with true individual care. He was a member of the Ancient Order Hibernians, Division #1. He is survived by his parents; his sister Jacqueline and her husband Thomas Patton of Portsmouth, RI; his nieces Kaitlin and Kourtney Patton; along with numerous God-children. Calling hours were held Friday February 5, 2016 at O'Neill-Hayes Funeral Home, 465 Spring Street, Newport, RI. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Saturday, February 6, 2016 at 10:00 AM at St. Augustin Church, Carroll Avenue, Newport, RI. Burial was private. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to St. Augustin Church, 2 Eastnor Road, Newport, RI 02840.