



## Charles L. Clifford, III

May 23, 2025

Charles was born in Providence on July 21, 1951. He was the son of Frances Durkin Clifford and Charles L. Clifford. He was the middle child bookended by Gail Clifford Torinese (husband James) of Bristol and Connie Clifford (husband Paul Benoit) of Astoria, Oregon.

Charles or Charlie, as he was known, worked as a professional painter until the work became too challenging. It was great having a brother who did meticulous painting! He lived in Woonsocket most of his life and was living in St. Germain Manor at the time of his death.

Charles had some memorable adventures. In the 90's he toured Europe with his mother and sister Connie. Eleven years ago he went to San Francisco; Yosemite National Park; Sandpoint, Idaho; and Astoria, Oregon and was able to see where each of his nephews and their families lived. Daniel Benoit in Astoria, James Benoit in Sandpoint and Matthew Benoit in Yosemite. He had great fun seeing the West and meeting his great-nieces and nephews.

Charles loved Narragansett Bay and boating. He enjoyed sailing on the Bay with Gail and James in the summer. When he was in Astoria, visiting Connie years ago, he had the opportunity to work on a commercial fishing boat in the Pacific Ocean. He loved that experience.

Charles would have celebrated 18 years sober on July 20. He had challenges in his life, but deep down, beneath his crankiness, he was a generous and thoughtful man.

His family would like to thank everyone who helped Charles with his journey in life, especially Marc Dubois. We cannot thank him enough for his support, caring and kindness to our brother over the last 20 years.

The burial will be private. If anyone wishes to make a donation in his memory the family would appreciate donations to "Community Care Alliance", at 55 John Cummings Way, Woonsocket, R.I., 02895.