

## The Pam S. Lane Scholarship Fund

Pam S. Lane, daughter of Ed and Maggie Smith, grew up in Marblehead and was a member of the Marblehead High School Class of 1975. She graduated from the University of Maine with a degree in education. Pam raised her two daughters, Stephanie and Cortney in town, and was the owner and operator of the Marblehead Sport Shop for seventeen years. After selling the business, she became a successful real estate agent in Marblehead.

Pam lived life to the fullest and was a joyful, fun person to be around. She led an active, healthy lifestyle and had many hobbies including walking, biking, kayaking, golfing, playing tennis, paddle boarding and doing yoga. She enjoyed helping others and generously volunteered her time and talents to several charities and foundations, including Habitat for Humanity and the Crombie Street Shelter in Salem. The time she spent laughing with her family and friends was most important to her.

Prior her untimely death, Pam moved to North Carolina, where she had a meaningful impact on her new community. She pursued additional education there and became an accredited mediator. Pam was appointed as the first court employed mediator in the state of North Carolina, serving under Superior Court Judge Joe Buckner. Her nights were spent teaching English to first generation immigrants at the Durham Language Center. Pam's students truly appreciated her efforts, as was evident in her over-subscribed classes.

Pam understood the impact education has on individual lives and how it contributes to the improvement of society at large. She enjoyed hearing stories from people who attributed major life accomplishments to their education, and she believed anyone who wishes to pursue education, regardless of race, creed, ethnicity or economic status should have that experience.

This scholarship was created by Pam's family and friends to honor her memory, to share her great passion for education, learning, and equality and to provide educational opportunities for those who wish to pursue higher education.