

December 28th, 2018

Everyone,

It is with great sadness that I share the news of the passing of the son of Representative Linda Orange, Matthew Orange, 41, of Colchester. Matt fought a tough battle against cancer and died December 21st, 2018.

For more details, the following link will take you to the obituary provided by the Aurora-McCarthy Funeral Home: <u>https://www.auroramccarthyfuneralhome.com/notices/Matthew-Orange</u>

Representative Orange, a veteran legislator from the 48th District and Deputy Speaker of the House, was a chief proponent of Public Act 16-10 that was passed into law and paved the way for compensation for volunteer and career firefighters who suffer from job-related cancers. Representative Orange has also fought every year for increased funding for the Fire Service, particularly for our Regional Fire Schools.

CSFA President John Carew, Legislative Chairman Lew Clark and the Colchester Hayward Volunteer Fire Company ask that our association membership make an effort to show support for the Orange family at this difficult time.

<u>Calling hours will be held on Sunday, Dec. 30, 2018 from 1 – 2:30 PM at the Aurora-McCarthy Funeral</u> <u>Home, 167 Old Hartford Rd., Colchester. A memorial service and celebration of his life will follow</u> <u>immediately at the funeral home at 2:30.</u> Burial will be private in the Marlboro Center Cemetery. Donations in Matt's memory may be made to the Colchester Hayward Volunteer Fire Co., 52, Old Hartford Rd., Colchester 06415. For online condolences and flowers and gifts, please visit:

https://www.auroramccarthyfuneralhome.com/notices/Matthew-Orange

Sincerely,

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