



Stuart and Connie met as students at Northeastern University. Connie was studying Physical Education and Stuart was studying Political Science. They both joined the cast of a student theatre group, the Silver Mask production of the musical, "The Boys from Syracuse." The play was based on Shakespeare's "Comedy of Errors." Connie laughingly asks, "Was this a good sign??!!" Stuart was one of the leads in the play, while Connie was the Amazon queen, which she notes was one of the dancers. Stuart recalls that most of the cast would go out after rehearsal to socialize, but Connie never joined

them. A friend told him that Connie usually went home to study after rehearsal. So, finally, Stuart followed her one day and introduced himself. Stuart and Connie dated throughout college. After they both graduated, and they were sure that Stuart was not going to be drafted to serve in the Vietnam War, they went ahead with wedding plans.

Connie and Stuart were married in 1972, living first in Jamaica Plain and later in West Roxbury. Connie worked as a physical education teacher while Stuart worked at City Hall under Boston Mayor Kevin White, before going to law school and opening his own legal practice.

Stuart was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis in 1986. At the time, there were no medications available, and Stuart's doctor initially told him it probably would not be very disabling. As the years progressed, however, Stuart's MS symptoms progressed as well. On the recommendation of his doctor, Stuart and Connie visited The Boston Home, and Stuart joined the waiting list. Stuart moved to The Boston Home in 2013. Connie and Stuart have a son Sam and daughter Emily. They also have three grandchildren, Sam's son Henry (11) and daughter Elsie (7), and Emily's daughter Georgia (5 months).