



## Albert W. Ferns Jr.

December 13, 1941 - February 20, 2026

COLEBROOK – Albert W. Ferns, Jr. 84, of Colebrook, died on Friday afternoon, Feb. 20, 2026, at the Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital in Colebrook with his beloved wife, sons and grandchildren by his side.

He was born on Dec. 13, 1941, in North Attleboro, Mass., the only son to the late Albert W. and Gertrude (Lumnah) Ferns.

Known to most as “Al” or “Butch,” he lived a full and meaningful 84 years marked by service, dedication, and deep love for his family and community. A graduate of Bryant University with a degree in Accounting, Al built a strong career rooted in integrity and hard work. He proudly served in the United States Air Force, carrying that discipline and leadership into his civilian life. Over the years, he worked as an accountant for The Foxboro Company, later at Ethan Allen, and at The Balsams Grand Resort, earning the respect of colleagues for his dedication and professionalism.

Al was deeply committed to his community of Colebrook. He served as Director of the Colebrook Downtown Development Association, Trustee of Trust Funds for the town, a member of Kiwanis International, a board member for Two Rivers Ride for Cancer, and was a proud member of the American Legion. For every Memorial Day, he distributed American flags at the local cemeteries to honor those who served. He also quietly gave back in personal

ways, providing complimentary rides home from the hospital for discharged patients and transportation for local cancer patients traveling to treatment centers, and he volunteered some of his time at the Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital. These acts of kindness were just part of who he was.

Al loved spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren, who brought him endless pride and joy. He used to travel all over the country for years, and always enjoyed a long road trip or a simple cruise. He rarely missed his morning trips to Dunkin' Donuts, where he enjoyed joking with the staff who knew him well. He was incredibly proud of being 46 years sober at the time of his passing, a milestone that meant so much to him and his family. He also devoted countless hours to researching and preserving the family genealogy, something he treasured deeply. All of these were among his greatest accomplishments, which he was very proud of—along with many more that reflected a life lived with purpose, generosity, and heart.

Al is survived by his beloved wife, Rosemary Mulliken of Colebrook; his four sons, Jason (Carole) Ferns of Colebrook, Brian (Katie) Ferns of Bedford, N.H., Stephen (Jaline) Mulliken of Monroe, N.H., and Jeff (Katie) Howe of Manchester, N.H.; three sisters, Florence Deslauriers of Redding, Calif., Helen Bennett of Rochester, N.Y., and Lois Whittemore of Claremont, N.H.; seven grandchildren, Alexis Ferns, Ariel Howe, Joshua Chalfant, Abigail Ferns, Gabrielle Howe, Clara Howe and Cooper Ferns; as well as numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

He is predeceased by three sisters: Betty Gendreau, Evelyn Goudreau and Louise Fredette.

There are no public calling hours. A graveside interment service with military honors will be later in the year at the Colebrook Village Cemetery, of which notice will be given.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Al may be made to the Two Rivers Relief for Cancer, Inc., P.O. Box 376, Colebrook, NH 03576.

Condolences may be offered to the family on-line by going to [www.jenkinsnewman.com](http://www.jenkinsnewman.com).

Arrangements are entrusted to the care of Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook.

# Cemetery Details

## **Colebrook Village Cemetery**

North Main Street, U.S. Route 3  
Colebrook, NH

# Events

**Details are pending.**

# Tribute Wall

AC

“ *My sincere condolences to all her family and friends.* ”



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**Andre & Francine Champagne** - March 07 at 08:02 AM

SB

“ *Rosemary sad for your loss. Al was a really nice guy. Sam and Joan* ”

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**Sam and Joan Bird** - February 27 at 12:03 PM

JA

“ *Al was a steady, supportive and caring member of the Two Rivers Ride for Cancer Board of Directors for many years, and we were lucky to have him. On behalf of the Two Rivers Ride (now Relief) for Cancer, we are saddened to learn of Al's passing, are grateful to learn that Al has asked that any financial expressions of sympathy go to our non-profit, and honor him for all that he has given to our organization, the constituents it supports, this region, and his family. -James Tillotson - Two Rivers Relief for Cancer former President* ”



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**James** - February 26 at 10:37 AM

DG

“ *Sorry for your lost he was a good friend*



David gaudette - February 24 at 12:13 PM

EB

“ *Eric S Brungot lit a candle in memory of Albert W. Ferns Jr.*



Eric S Brungot - February 24 at 08:06 AM

LB

“ *Rosemary and family, so sorry for your loss.*

Linda and Ronnie Beloin - February 23 at 10:00 PM



“ *Rita Donnell lit a candle in memory of Albert W. Ferns Jr.*



Rita Donnell - February 23 at 07:14 PM

DG

“ To Rosemary & The Whole Family  
I was very sorry to hear about your loss,  
Rosemary, Al was a very special person, he  
would bring us pastries at the bank and I  
always loved his sense of humor and always  
gave him a dog biscuit when he came to drive thru, instead of a  
lollipop, and he always laughed. He will be missed. Just remember  
all the trips you took and the good times you had together and that  
will keep you going. Rest in peace my friend and God bless. Ginette  
Gagnon



Donald & Ginette Gagnon - February 23 at 07:12 PM

MR

“ Manon Robert lit a candle in memory of Albert  
W. Ferns Jr.



Manon Robert - February 23 at 03:43 PM

MR

So sorry for your loss Rosie. Take care, thinking of you during this hard  
time.

Manon Robert - February 23 at 03:46 PM

AU

“ Audie lit a candle in memory of Albert W.  
Ferns Jr.



Audie - February 23 at 01:50 PM

DH

“ So sorry for your loss

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**Dale Hurlbert** - February 23 at 01:31 PM

JC

“ *There just are no words to express how heartbroken we are. We certainly have enjoyed every adventure we had with Rosie and Uncle. Keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers. Hoping you can find comfort and peace in the memories you all share. Phil and Jan*



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**Jan Corliss** - February 23 at 12:34 PM

SM

“ *Sorry to hear of Al's passing, Sympathy to Rosemary and the family.*

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**Sue Miller** - February 23 at 12:12 PM

JB

“ *Rosemary, my deepest condolences to you and your family. I'm sorry for your loss. I'm glad Vicki and I got to spend a little time visiting with you folks last fall.*



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**Judy Hunt Budge** - February 23 at 11:40 AM