



Charlene B. Desrosiers

August 3, 1956 - June 15, 2016

WEST STEWARTSTOWN – Charlene Blanche Desrosiers, 59, passed away on Wednesday, June 15, 2016, at the Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital in Colebrook, with her loved ones by her side.

She was born in Fall River, Mass., on Aug. 3, 1956, and was raised in West Warwick, RI, where she resided for 50 years. She was the fifth of six children to the late Joseph A. and Cecile (Lebeau) Desrosiers, Sr. Charlene attended school from the age of 3 to 21. She worked at the Trudeau Center, a sheltered workshop for the handicapped in Warwick, until she moved to NH at the age of 50. She loved her work there and missed all her friends when she moved north.

Charlene moved to Pittsburg, NH, in April of 2007 to live with her sister, Dee, and brother-in-law, Sid Young, when her mother became ill and was no longer able to care for her. Living with Sid and Dee gave Charlene the opportunity to have many new adventures. She attended state fire conventions, community and school events, went snowmobiling, and even rode her first donkey at a donkey-basketball game, just to name a few. She loved camping, especially sitting by the fire, but mostly she loved it because she was with friends. She loved being with all the Youngs, and quickly became part of that family, accepted, loved, and quick to bring a smile.

She loved playing cards, board games, puzzles, hooked rugs, sticker books, bingo, bowling, cooking class (as she called it), parties, and arm wrestling. She loved being with people, especially the elderly. She loved music, rocking in her chair, and going out to eat best of all. She loved bingo and went with her mom for years. When she moved north, she went to the Legion on Tuesday evenings with her two friends, Verna and Ida. When she won at bingo, the whole place could hear her yell, "Bingo!!" It just made her day. When she didn't win, she would tell her sister after she got home, "They called lousy numbers tonight."

Charlene attended the Vershire Program in Colebrook, and eagerly waited for her ride each morning. She loved her jobs shredding papers and doing the laundry for the hospital. At home, she liked helping and liked things neat. She folded laundry, set the table, helped with the dishes, took care of her belongings, and shredded papers (her favorite).

All who knew her will remember how she loved her birthday best of all! She looked forward to having a party with all her friends and family. Money was her favorite gift, but she was always happy with every gift she received. As soon as her birthday was over, she would start counting down to her next birthday.

Charlene moved to the Coos County Nursing Hospital in W. Stewartstown in September, 2014, due to declining health that could no longer be taken care of at home. She adapted well and loved it there. She touched the hearts of many people and will be missed.

She is survived by her siblings, Denise (Sid) Young of Pittsburg, NH, Lorraine (Robert) Washburn of Concord, NH, Pauline (James) Asselin of No. Springfield, Vt., Lionel Desrosiers of Cape May Courthouse, NJ, and Joseph Desrosiers, Jr. (Jamie) of Coventry, RI; as well as 9 nieces and nephews, and 11 great-nieces and nephews.

Memorial calling hours will be on Thursday, June 23, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook. A memorial service will be held the next day, Friday, June 24, at 11 a.m. at the Farnham Memorial United Methodist Church in Pittsburg. Charlene will be laid to rest with her parents at a later date in the Rhode Island Veteran's Cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Charlene may be made to the Camp Allen, 56 Camp Allen Road, Bedford, NH 03110-6606.

Condolences may be offered to the family on-line by going to www.jenkinsnewman.com.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **23**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home
103 Main Street
Colebrook, NH

Service

JUN **24**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Farnham Memorial United Methodist Church
Main Street, US Route 3
Pittsburg, NH

Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charlene B. Desrosiers.*



June 22, 2016 at 03:42 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Charlene B. Desrosiers.*



June 20, 2016 at 08:07 PM



“ *I loved to see Charlene on Sunday mornings singing up a storm. I will miss her.*

Pastor Paula - June 18, 2016 at 04:53 PM



“ *Love you, Lionel purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Charlene B. Desrosiers.*



Love you, Lionel - June 18, 2016 at 11:12 AM

JH

“ *Judi Hanson lit a candle in memory of Charlene B. Desrosiers*



Judi Hanson - June 18, 2016 at 09:22 AM

RL

“ *Dee, so sorry for your loss, Charlene will be greatly missed, if there is ANYTHING I can do please let me know Robin*

Robin Leclercq - June 18, 2016 at 08:38 AM

BB

“ *Dee, thinking of you and your family during this time. Brandy and family*

Brandy Bolens - June 17, 2016 at 07:37 PM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Charlene B. Desrosiers.*

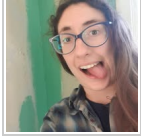


June 17, 2016 at 03:58 PM

TR

“ *Dee and family so sorry to hear of your loss Charlene was a very special person fun to hang with she knew how live love and laugh I thoroughly enjoyed the times I got to spend with you . She will be missed.*

Tracy - June 17, 2016 at 01:47 PM



“ *My condolences to Joe and the rest of the Desrosiers family. Sending my love at this difficult time.*

Jess Lynn - June 17, 2016 at 11:56 AM



“ *Our condolences go out to the family on your loss.*

Haven & Peggy Haynes - June 17, 2016 at 11:50 AM



“ *Linda Clogston lit a candle in memory of Charlene B. Desrosiers*



Linda Clogston - June 17, 2016 at 08:15 AM



“ *Dee and family, So sorry to hear of Charlene's passing. She was such a joy to see each morning at school. you couldn't help but smile when she was there.*



The Phillips family - June 17, 2016 at 07:51 AM



The Phillips family

The Phillips family - June 17, 2016 at 07:53 AM



Dee, and family, So sorry for the loss of Charlene, she was always happy when she walked into school , She will be missed

Deborah Sargent - June 17, 2016 at 05:52 PM

JO

So sorry for your loss. Charlene was a joy. You now have a very special angel watching over you.

Joanne O'Brien - June 18, 2016 at 03:32 AM

DB

Dee and Sid, I am so very sorry to hear about Charlene....I loved picking her up in the morning and her smile was the best....She will be greatly missed....God Bless

Diane Brooks - June 18, 2016 at 05:39 PM

MM

“ *Mary Lou French McConnell lit a candle in memory of Charlene B. Desrosiers*



Mary Lou French McConnell - June 17, 2016 at 07:02 AM

TO

“ *Tonya lit a candle in memory of Charlene B. Desrosiers*



Tonya - June 17, 2016 at 05:11 AM

AN

“ *Ann lit a candle in memory of Charlene B. Desrosiers*



Ann - June 16, 2016 at 11:05 PM

EJ

“ Dee - it was a pleasure getting to know and care for Charlene. She always brightened my day. I will miss her. Also, Charlene could not have had a better or more devoted sister than you - may she rest in peace.

Elaina

Elaina Johnson - June 16, 2016 at 11:03 PM

TP

“ Sorry for your loss Dee...I will never forget the mornings in your classroom when I would sit and talk with her...she had many stories to tell...she was such a sweetheart ❤️

Tammy Purrington - June 16, 2016 at 09:44 PM

MB

“ Dee and family, Sorry to hear of Charlene's passing. I can remember meeting her for the first time at your house when she moved up here. She was quite a character!!! Never a dull moment with her for sure. She definitely will be missed. PS: I remember the donkey ride!!!!

Michele (Gosselin) Bolton - June 16, 2016 at 09:42 PM

TT

“ The Paynes And Caleb Tufts lit a candle in memory of Charlene B. Desrosiers



The Paynes and Caleb Tufts - June 16, 2016 at 08:33 PM

GP

“ *Gina Prehemo lit a candle in memory of Charlene B. Desrosiers*



Gina Prehemo - June 16, 2016 at 08:02 PM

GP

I'm so sorry for your loss I loved working with this beautiful lady oh wait she liked to be called a "woman!" RIP Charlene ❤️

Gina Prehemo - June 16, 2016 at 08:05 PM

KM

“ *My dearest Charlene...on my way to work yesterday Take Me Home Country Roads played on the radio. I sang it loud just like we used to and I told the guys it was like you were right there with us....you were my Angel thank you for saying good bye and we will meet again some where down that Country Road...love always and forever in my heart.....Kerry*

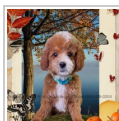
kerry motirjaitis - June 16, 2016 at 07:55 PM

JR

“ *Janet Reynolds lit a candle in memory of Charlene B. Desrosiers*



Janet Reynolds - June 16, 2016 at 07:42 PM



So sorry to hear of Charlene's passing. We will miss seeing her in the office.

Janet Reynolds - June 16, 2016 at 07:44 PM

FA

“ We are so sorry to hear of Charlene's passing. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Faith and Wally

Faith Adair - June 16, 2016 at 07:11 PM

MA

“ rip charlene

marycote - June 16, 2016 at 07:05 PM

MA

“ Marycote lit a candle in memory of Charlene B. Desrosiers



marycote - June 16, 2016 at 07:03 PM

DL

“ Dee and family,
We are so sorry about the sad news. We loved camping with you all. I can remember Markus being small and Charlene playing with him. She was a beautiful person. And I'm glad we had the pleasure of meeting her. Our prayers are with you and your family.
Donna,Rene and Markus

Donna Lapierre - June 16, 2016 at 06:59 PM