



Clyde "Sonny" B. Gray

January 2, 1943 - August 19, 2012

COLEBROOK, NH—Mr. Clyde “Sonny” B. Gray, 69, of Colebrook, NH, died late Sunday evening, August 19, 2012, at the Brigham & Women’s Hospital in Boston, Mass.

He was born in West Stewartstown, NH, on January 2, 1943, the eldest son of the late Clyde and Pearl (Riley) Gray. He was a 1961 graduate of Colebrook Academy, and later served with honor in the U.S. Air Force during the Vietnam conflict as a communications specialist. He later attended the Thompson School at UNH and obtained his degree in forestry in 1969.

Sonny’s career was always in the woods, as a self-employed, certified professional logger. An avid hockey enthusiast, he was a fan of the Montreal Canadiens. Although a very private man, he was a member of the Nulhegan post of the VFW #5243, the American Legion, the NH Timberland Owners Association, and Evening Star Lodge, #37, F. & A.M.

He is survived by his wife of 44 years, Suzanne (Dion) Gray of Colebrook; two daughters, Stephanie Gray-Lemay and husband Ryan of Littleton, NH, and Sara K. Gray of Colebrook; two brothers, Sheldon Gray and wife Elaine, and Michael Gray and wife Melanie, all of Colebrook; 3 grandchildren, Genevieve, Gaege and Gabriella Lemay; a niece, Darcy Gray; a nephew Christiaan Gray; and an aunt, Eva Patnaude of West Stewartstown.

Calling hours will be on Wednesday, Aug. 22, 2012, from 6-8 p.m. at the Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook, NH, with a Masonic service at 6 p.m. A funeral service will be held on Thursday, Aug. 23, at 11 a.m. at the Trinity United Methodist Church in Colebrook, with The Rev. Paula Fletcher and the The Rev. Craig Cheney co-officiating. Burial will immediately follow with military honors at the Colebrook Village Cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy in Mr. Gray's memory may be made to the Trinity United Methodist Church, Bridge Street, Colebrook, NH 03576.

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, Colebrook, NH.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **22**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home
103 Main Street
Colebrook, NH

Tribute Wall



“ As a recent college graduate and new employee of Mead Paper out of Rangeley, I had the pleasure of working with Sonny for several years. I always appreciated his work ethic, his candor and honesty and he taught me a lot about working in the woods. As a Bruins fan we even had a few spirited hockey talks. I will remember him fondly, he was a great contractor and mentor.

Respectfully,

Jeremy##imported-begin##Jeremy Stultz##imported-end##

October 18, 2012 at 05:02 PM



“ Sue:
My thoughts and prayers are with you during this time. My your fond memories and family and friends give you comfort during this very difficult time.##imported-begin##Paula Noll##imported-end##

August 24, 2012 at 08:18 PM



“ *Oh Sue. I am so sorry to hear about Sonny. You and your family will be in my prayers.##imported-begin##Barbara McKinnon##imported-end##*

August 24, 2012 at 12:21 PM



“ Dear Sue, Sara, and Stephanie.
We can't tell you how sorry we are to hear of Sonny's passing. Our hearts are with you & the girls.
We were really suprised when Kathy told us about loss.
I always thought Sonny was as fit as anyone. I will never forget the time I went with him logging, when we left at 3:00 AM & didn't get home until around 10:00 that night. I'll tell you I was BEAT that night & I know Sonny did this all the time. He was always a true worker & I guess he was still doing the same thing.
It was ironic that he passed on the same day as you're dad.
Please say Hi to all from both of us. We wish you & the girls & their families.

Love, Bob & Vicki##imported-begin##Bob and Vicki
Lovejoy##imported-end##

August 24, 2012 at 09:21 AM



“ Sue
So sorry to hear about your loss. Sonny was my best friend in high school and a lot of fun. We shared many crazy times together.He was a good man. Please accept my sincerest condolences.##imported-begin##Peter Caggiula##imported-end##

August 23, 2012 at 07:53 PM



“ Sue, Sara, and Stephanie.
So sorry about Sonny. Know you have all our love! Please let us know if there is anything we can do.
All our love,
The Reagans##imported-begin##Michelle Reagan##imported-end##

August 23, 2012 at 03:37 PM



“ Sue and girls
My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Just keep all the great memories close to the heart.##imported-begin##Debbie Boivin##imported-end##

August 22, 2012 at 08:40 PM



“ Hi Sue & Family:

I am so sorry for your loss, I know it must be really hard for you. Just think that God decided he needed him up there more than you did. Hope you will be o.k. and my prayers are with you. Hang in there and be strong. God bless.##imported-begin##Donald & Ginette Gagnon##imported-end##

August 22, 2012 at 07:45 PM



“ Sending sincere sympathy to all of Sonny's family. He was a wonderful classmate and I have fond memories of our school years together. I especially remember him kindly hosting the class reunion a few years ago and what a good time everyone had. He will be sadly missed.##imported-begin##Carol (Kelsea) (Meacham) Harbour##imported-end##

August 22, 2012 at 12:57 PM



“ Sonny will be sadly missed, he was one of the hardest workers know in this part of the country. Roy enjoyed the time he worked with Sonny and especially the time he plowed the woods road for him. They enjoyed talking about the "good ole days" and what they thought how things in the woods could have been done different than the ways somebody else had done it. The best time was when every great while Sonny would stop and Roy would convince him to have a "toddie" God Bless You Sonny be at peace you deserve it. As always your friends Roy and Donna##imported-begin##Roy/Donna Edwards##imported-end##

August 22, 2012 at 11:30 AM



“ my sincere condolences to you all ; steph ; sara and sue;; my thoughts and prayers are with you ;; alll my love##imported-begin##helene lescault##imported-end##

August 22, 2012 at 05:44 AM



“ So honored to have met Sonny before he passed. He struck me as a man of few words, but every one of them was carefully chosen for the matter at hand and spot on. My family and I send prayers, love and peace to you, his beautiful and cherished family. God bless.##imported-begin##Sara Smull##imported-end##

August 22, 2012 at 05:39 AM



“ Dear Sue and family,
I am saddened to learn about your loss. Sonny was a wonderful man with a heart lifting smile.
My thoughts and prayers are with you all.
Love
Jill & Family##imported-begin##Jill Riley Endsley##imported-end##

August 21, 2012 at 10:20 PM



“ We are so sad for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.##imported-begin##Samuel and Joan Bird##imported-end##

August 21, 2012 at 10:06 PM



“ I am at a loss and my heart aches for Sue, Stephanie and Sara as well as the entire Gray family. Sonny was a brilliant man who I enjoyed sharing my Air Force stories with him and my dad. It was fun comparing their experience in the 60's to the Air Force of today. God bless Sonny and may he rest in peace:)).##imported-begin##Claudia (Sweatt) Foss##imported-end##

August 21, 2012 at 09:31 PM



“ Sue, Steph, Sara, Sheldon, Mike and families - I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

Tori Whiting-Smart###imported-begin##Tori Whiting-Smart###imported-end##

August 21, 2012 at 06:31 PM



“ Sheldon and Elaine - my thoughts and prayers are for you and all the other relatives at this sad time.###imported-begin##Ginger Jannenga###imported-end##

August 21, 2012 at 03:00 PM



“ Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time. Cherish the memories you have of Sonny and keep them close to your heart. If there is anything we can do for you please let us know.###imported-begin##Chris and Renee Lambert Powers###imported-end##

August 21, 2012 at 02:04 PM



“ Sue, my prayers are with you and your family.###imported-begin##Lindy Falconer###imported-end##

August 21, 2012 at 12:36 PM