



Crystal K. Ball

July 12, 1948 - November 29, 2013

COLEBROOK, NH — Crystal K. Ball, 65, of Colebrook, NH, passed away early Friday morning, Nov. 29, 2013, at the Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital in Colebrook, surrounded by her loving family.

Crystal was born on July 12, 1948, in West Stewartstown, a daughter to the late William Ball and to Julia (Jordan) Ball. She was a 1967 graduate of Colebrook Academy.

Her life was spent in the hospitality business running two successful restaurants, “Crystal’s” in Washington, Conn., for 10 years, and for the past 18 years as the owner and operator of Howard’s Restaurant in Colebrook. She will be dearly missed by all her family, her staff and her loyal clientele.

Crystal leaves behind her two daughters, Kathleen Doerwald and Kyle Goldman of Connecticut; her mother, Julia Ball, of West Stewartstown; a sister, Bonnie Ball of Colebrook; her brother, Bucky Ball of Washington, Conn.; her aunt, Myra Sweatt, of Columbia; and three grandchildren, Ashley, Jacalyn and Drew, Jr.

Per Crystal’s specific request, there are no public calling hours or services. The family will have a private service at a later date.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Crystal may be made to one's choice of the Two Rivers Ride for Cancer, c/o R. Mulliken, 132 Main St., Colebrook, NH 03576; or to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, KS 66675 (www.woundedwarriorproject.org/donate).

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.

Tribute Wall

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“ Though my husband and I did not personally know Crystal, we enjoyed frequenting Howard's Restaurant for many years. In fact, when I came to Pittsburg for my first interview at Pittsburg School, back in 1974, with my grandfather along for the ride, we stopped at Howard's for lunch following the interview. Later, after I had obtained that job, I treated myself to a birthday supper at Howard's.

Since my marriage, 35 years ago, my husband and I have enjoyed many meals at this friendly restaurant and have seen Crystal there nearly every time we went. In fact, we were able to have supper there just a few days before she passed away, and we saw her standing at the counter visiting with customers.

We are sorry for your loss.

Ann and Lindsey Gray

Ann Gray - December 18, 2013 at 01:19 PM



“ We met Crystal in 2001 when we were the Principal of Pittsburg for a short time, Howard's quickly became our favor place to eat. Because of the great food and service, but especially because of Crystal's friendly manner. Whenever we traveled through we ALWAYS stopped to say hi and have exchanged Christmas letters ever since. If there are special places in heaven we know Crystal will be there to greet us. Condolences to the family.##imported-begin##Tom & Maggie Dirs##imported-end##

December 06, 2013 at 12:17 PM



“ Our deepest sympathy to the family and all the people who loved Crystal. I loved stopping into Howard's when we were home to visit. Maybe my Dad has a stool waiting for you Crystal.lol. You will be missed by many and may you RIP my dear friend.##imported-begin##Yvan and Cookie Lambert##imported-end##

December 06, 2013 at 12:17 PM



“ Crystal was one amazing woman who touched many..I have never worked for anyone that was as caring and compassionate as she was. She left a mark on mine and many others lives and will not soon be forgotten. I will not soon forget the many days and nights at Howard's Restaurant and our many chats about everything and anything.. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family RIP Crystal##imported-begin##Randi'Lynn (Fellows) Blackburn##imported-end##

December 03, 2013 at 12:00 PM



“ Dear Crystal you will be missed not only by your family, but by your friends,
I remember the first time I call you Linda, at rite aid, when I worked there and we have that going on till the last time I saw you before your departure to heaven! your suffer are over an now you are in a better place, my prayer are with all of you, may god comfort all of you on you lost. god bless you all.##imported-begin##virginia riendeau##imported-end##

December 02, 2013 at 10:42 PM



“ Our heart goes out to crystal's family. She was a heck of a woman and always in good spirits. She will be greatly missed##imported-begin##Lisa, Michael Bouchard and family##imported-end##

December 02, 2013 at 10:13 PM



“ rip crystal u have earned your stay here on earth god bless the family##imported-begin##sylvie bunnell##imported-end##

December 02, 2013 at 09:54 PM



“ Crystal will be missed by all. Crystal was an affection person who loved life. I always enjoyed seeing her when she would come into Rite Aid, we always had something to chat about. My thoughts and prayers go out to your family. You will never be forgotten...##imported-begin##Cecilia Unangst##imported-end##

December 02, 2013 at 03:16 PM



“ Sorry to hear that crystal died she such a good friend ill be praying for you take care##imported-begin##charles young##imported-end##

December 02, 2013 at 01:18 PM



“ I will miss crystal so much she was a good boss##imported-begin##debbie devis##imported-end##

December 02, 2013 at 12:38 PM



“ My heart goes out to Crystals family. She was a super great lady. My family had generations work for her at Howards. From cooking to dishes to bussing tables. We will all miss you Crystal. R.I.P. our dear lady. Love The Boutins.##imported-begin##Judy Boutin##imported-end##

December 02, 2013 at 08:10 AM



“ Our most sincere and heartfelt thoughts and prayers for Crystal`s family, she will be missed by all who knew her.##imported-begin##Debbie and Ken Stanley##imported-end##

December 01, 2013 at 09:19 PM



“ So sorry to hear of your loss. I hope you can find comfort in your many memories.##imported-begin##Monda Placey##imported-end##

December 01, 2013 at 08:42 PM



“ RIP Crystal, you will be greatly missed.##imported-begin##Linda Leduc##imported-end##

December 01, 2013 at 07:25 PM



“ Dear Crystal,
I just hope you can hear me now, I remember Calling you so many years ago about a cooks position that needed to be filled, I had absolutely no experience in the kitchen at all, I kinda B.S.ed my way in and you hired me anyway never knew if you were the wiser. You were always there to pitch in when the orders got behind and when I boiled the eggs dry and they cracked and popped and smell to high heaven, the time I boiled over the fryerlator over when cleaning it, you had just walked in, and said "Annie whatcha doing? " and how we laughed and laughed about all that!! You were the first person I told I was pregnant to and you were so excited for me, Thank You for that! In your kitchen you allowed me to grow and discover my love for cooking, Howards was like a big playground that allowed me that the freedom to express myself with food, Can't Thank You enough for that, I love baking and cooking and you were either full of faith in me or desperate, either way I am so greatful for that oppotunity and the chance to know you!! I will miss you and I hope your family finds comfort in this , Love Always Ann Day and Family###imported-begin###Ann Day###imported-end###

December 01, 2013 at 02:54 PM



“ My thoughts go out to Crystal's family. She will be missed by all of us who were greeted at Howard's.

I was impressed by the care and influence she had with the young adults who have worked for her.

As a graduate of Colebrook Academy, Crystal was always interested in the events of the school. Her support was always appreciated.###imported-begin###Joanne Melanson###imported-end###

December 01, 2013 at 09:38 AM



“ My condolences to all the family, she surely will be missed.

Mark D Spaulding##imported-begin##Mark D Spaulding##imported-end##

December 01, 2013 at 07:58 AM



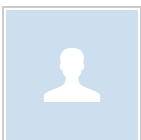
“ I am so saddened to hear of Crystal's psaaing. My sympathies to the family, her employees, and the whole community, who will so miss her. She was so loved and cherished by all.##imported-begin##Rebecca Larson##imported-end##

November 30, 2013 at 10:05 PM



“ Words can't begin to say how sorry I am for the family. All the family get togethers we had, and all the party's with our parents. Love you Crystal. You will be in my prayers tonight.##imported-begin##Sherry Scott Dowse##imported-end##

November 30, 2013 at 09:10 PM



“ My deepest sympathy to the Ball family. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.##imported-begin##John Poutre##imported-end##

November 30, 2013 at 08:31 PM



“ So very sorry to hear of Crystal's passing! I just saw her back in May when I was up for my Dad's funeral and I had to eat at Howard's as always and I always asked for her and she would always come out and say hi! My very best to her family and hold on to the memories of her and it's great to know, another sweet angel is looking over us:)###imported-begin##Janet Boudle French###imported-end##

November 30, 2013 at 05:00 PM



“ Our sympathy to the Ball family and Crystals many friends. Howards was always a stop when we came to town. Crystal worked hard all her life and seemed to never take a day off. When someone tells me they have met a famous TV personality. I'd tell them I know a famous TV personality -- "Crystal Ball" and "The Name's The Same".###imported-begin##Dennis Sweatt & Family###imported-end##

November 30, 2013 at 03:22 PM



“ Hugs Crystal was a great person! We will greatly miss her!###imported-begin##Janet and Robert Heath###imported-end##

November 30, 2013 at 03:13 PM



“ Condolences to Crystal's family. She will be sadly missed in our town. We are classmates. She would call me Leta Phillips and I would always call her Crystal Ball. Rest in peace.###imported-begin##Leta Brown###imported-end##

November 30, 2013 at 02:42 PM



“ Our deepest sympathy for Crystal's immediate family and to the large extended family that she made us all feel a part of.##imported-begin##Betsy & Kevin Ducharme##imported-end##

November 30, 2013 at 02:14 PM



“ My deepest sympathy is extended to you with the passing of my friend and classmate, Crystal.##imported-begin##Richard "Sandy" Stevens##imported-end##

November 30, 2013 at 12:44 PM



“ My heart is heavy for all of you. Crystal was my little friend growing up in N. Stratford . She was full of life and laughter . Always there to play those memorable childhood games. She would walk up to the hot dog stand at Barbara's place and we would put out a mean soft serve and just laugh at the simple things of life. I will miss chatting with her on FB and my yearly letter at Christmas. May God embrace all her family . Another angel to watch over us . May you RIP my dear friend.much love to you all.##imported-begin##Gertrude Cote##imported-end##

November 30, 2013 at 10:50 AM



“ My deepest sympathy to everyone that is missing Crystal today. Fond memories of playing dress up in her prom gowns and heels as a kid with her sister Vicky. Her heart was so big and she's the only one that could get away with calling me June Bug. Love you Crystal##imported-begin##June Poulin Bessette##imported-end##

November 30, 2013 at 10:26 AM



“ Condolences to Crystals family. She will surely be missed. Had some great times and memories working at Howards. She will truly be missed.##imported-begin##Corina Parker##imported-end##

November 30, 2013 at 09:53 AM



“ Tooty and Kyle, I am so sorry for your loss, your Mom was a great person. Bonnie, I can't imagine losing a sister and a best friend. Everytime I walked by, she would come to the door and say "Hi Little Julie", she had that contagious laugh, and will be missed by many. Thoughts and prayers to all of you.##imported-begin##Julie Rainville##imported-end##

November 30, 2013 at 02:07 AM



“ So sorry for your loss. I know how hard it can be. She will be missed by many as well as myself.##imported-begin##Michael Brooks##imported-end##

November 30, 2013 at 12:13 AM



“ Want to send my sincere condolences to the Ball family. Sorry for your loss, I've know Crystal for a long time she was always nice. She will be dearly missed by everyone. May the family find peace through the holiday's. Your family will be in my heart and prays.##imported-begin##Tonya Rowe##imported-end##

November 29, 2013 at 08:35 PM



“ *Crystal was always so wonderful!*

I remember the look on her face when I told her I had met Kyle (again) at the Wood's New Year's Eve party.

My son lost his first tooth during one Sunday morning breakfast and "the tooth fairy" gave Crystal money to give to him.

She will be deeply, deeply missed.##imported-begin##Suzanne Routhier##imported-end##

November 29, 2013 at 08:33 PM



“ *Julie, Bucky, Bonnie, daughters and extended family:*

*So sorry to hear about Crystal. Another family member gone and it is so sad. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. I am so happy that I had the opportunity to see and talk with Crystal a few times over the past year. I will treasure our fun times as kids and remember her smile and humor. Love to you all,
Georgie##imported-begin##Georgette "Georgie" Poulin##imported-end##*

November 29, 2013 at 07:54 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of Crystals passing. My thoughts and prayers to Crystal's family and many friends. RIP Crystal, God Bless.##imported-begin##Susan Burns##imported-end##*

November 29, 2013 at 07:01 PM



“ *Crystal will be missed in this town. She was always friendly no matter where you meet up with her. I will miss seeing her at my yearly yard sales.##imported-begin##Debbie Boivin##imported-end##*

November 29, 2013 at 05:36 PM



“ *Mu sincere condolences to Crystal's family. Her passing will be felt by this whole community. I have known her family my entire life & wish to send my deepest sympathy to all of you. May she RIP. Thinking of you all at this time. 5 P6 K##imported-begin##Bonnie Lambert##imported-end##*

November 29, 2013 at 04:41 PM



“ *Crystal will be sorely missed - it was always great to chat with her in Howard's - she was a "good friend" to all who went there regularly. Thoughts and prayers to her family.##imported-begin##Ginger Jannenga##imported-end##*

November 29, 2013 at 04:39 PM



“ *Crystal you took me under your wing with my 1st job. You will forever will be in my heart wearing your princess crown "the queen of pancakes" we called you!! Love you##imported-begin##Chelsea (Pryor) Reid ##imported-end##*

November 29, 2013 at 03:34 PM



“ *Very sad to hear. Our thoughts are with the family. We loved Crystal -- Nancy especially!*

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Nancy

Jusye-Ann##imported-begin##Faye Memolo##imported-end##

November 29, 2013 at 03:09 PM



“ *Crystal was a very special lady in this town. I always looked forward to seeing her at Rite aid (when I worked there) each Sunday night when she would come in for her mentos! It took her a year to realize she had been calling me Pam not Tam;(we got a good laugh over that) but she finally got it. LOL! Howard's and Colebrook will never be the same without her but is a better place because she was here. Thinking of the family. RIP: Crystal##imported-begin##Tamie Marsh##imported-end##*

November 29, 2013 at 03:01 PM