



David W. Purrington

August 28, 1953 - June 29, 2016

COLEBROOK, NH — David W. Purrington, 62, of Colebrook, passed away suddenly and unexpectedly in Charlotte, NC, on Wednesday, June 29, 2016.

He was born on Aug. 28, 1953, in West Stewartstown, a son to the late Linwood N. and Lila (Lyons) Purrington, Sr. He was raised in Colebrook and was a 1971 graduate of Colebrook Academy. For many years, he lived with his family in Dixville Notch, as they were the winter caretakers for the property when the resort was closed.

Like his father before him, David was a well-known local master electrician for many years. He also worked for many years as an apprentice embalmer and funeral director for the Jenkins Funeral Home. He was a member of the Colebrook Fire Dept. for 25 years, and he was a Past Master of Evening Star Lodge #37, F. & A.M. Always a quiet and private man, David preferred to do and accomplish things without acknowledgment. He always had to be busy, but his greatest pride and joy was his family and spending time with them.

David is survived by his wife, Gail (Coombs) Purrington of Colebrook; his children, Kristen Purrington and her partner Shannon Allard and his son Michael, all of Belmont, NH, Michael Purrington and wife Tara of Chelmsford, Mass., Sherron Coletti and husband Shaun Lacroix of Colebrook, and Beth Parker of Galveston, Tex.; his grandchildren, Aaden, Owen and Teagan

Purrington, and Jacob and Samantha LaFrance; the mother of his children, Celeste Riendeau and husband Guy of Colebrook; two nieces and two nephews; and his faithful canine companions, Maisy, Houston and Sophie.

He is preceded in death by a brother, Linwood Purrington, Jr., a sister Nancy Thompson, and an infant sister, Lucille.

The family will receive visitors at the Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook, NH, on Friday, July 8, 2016, from 6 to 8 p.m. All other services will be private.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of David may be made to the Colebrook School District, for the use in the Vocational/Technical arts program, c/o SAU #7, 21 Academy St., 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

JUL 8. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home
103 Main Street
Colebrook, NH

Tribute Wall

TG

“ *Tim And Rita Germain lit a candle in memory of David W. Purrington*



Tim and Rita Germain - July 08, 2016 at 07:17 PM

MB

“ *Our sympathy goes out to David's family.*

Tom and Micheline Books



Micheline Brooks - July 08, 2016 at 04:15 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of David W. Purrington.*



July 08, 2016 at 12:32 PM

BW

“ *Bill & Pauline Weir lit a candle in memory of David W. Purrington*



Bill & Pauline Weir - July 08, 2016 at 11:16 AM

BW

Our thoughts & prayers go out to the family of David Purrington. He will be missed by many whose lives he touched.

Bill & Pauline Weir - July 08, 2016 at 11:20 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of David W. Purrington.*



July 08, 2016 at 07:39 AM

NC

“ *Gail and family, So sorry for your loss. Even though I had only known David for a short time, he left a lasting impression on me. He was a kind, gentle, loving, generous, person. He will me missed. Hugs for everyone.*

Nancy Copeland - July 07, 2016 at 08:20 AM



“ *Gift of Grace Bouquet was purchased for the family of David W. Purrington.*



July 07, 2016 at 08:20 AM

YN

“ your friends at ETI / NEA purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of David W. Purrington.



your friends at ETI / NEA - July 06, 2016 at 03:26 PM

TF

“ The McManus/Bursaw family. purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of David W. Purrington.



The McManus/Bursaw family. - July 06, 2016 at 01:42 PM

BN

“ My condolences to the family of David.

Bob Noyes - July 06, 2016 at 06:55 AM

HH

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

Haven & Peggy Haynes - July 06, 2016 at 12:54 AM

JD

“ David was a true Mason. He was caring, aware of a person in need and generous when he could help. He possessed the finest memory I have ever seen. He will be greatly missed, but will be in our memory. David was a very nice gentleman, and a good neighbor. He will be in our prayers. Joeng and Mike Divney

Joeng and Mike Divney - July 05, 2016 at 04:09 PM

JO

“ So sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my prayers.

Joanne O'Brien - July 05, 2016 at 04:13 AM

JM

“ Dear Beth,
I am sorry on the loss of your dad. Thinking of
you at this sad time.

Julia Jacques - Mellish



Julia Mellish - July 04, 2016 at 09:35 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for
the family of David W. Purrington.



July 04, 2016 at 01:15 PM

JL

“ Gail, Sherron, Jacob ,Samantha and Beth we
are so sorry for your loss. David is a great
man. I'm glad he Was and is still there for
each of you. If you need anything we are
here. Joel and Sarah.



Joel LaFrance - July 04, 2016 at 12:19 PM

PM

“ *My sincere sympathy. I met David when he was a senior at CA and I was a new teacher and co-advisor of the senior class. He was one of the quieter ones in the class. He has always had a special place in my heart, not only because he was in the class that 'broke me in', but as the husband my friend and colleague, Celeste, and as a good father to Kristin and Michael. They opened their home for faculty parties and to celebrate New Year's Eve. David was a kind man - he always checked to make sure I got home safely.*

Priscilla McGuire - July 04, 2016 at 11:29 AM

BB

“ *BONITA L BROUSSEAU lit a candle in memory of David W. Purrington*



BONITA L BROUSSEAU - July 04, 2016 at 08:41 AM

BB

Sharron thinking of you and your family at this sad occasion. Your faith will carry you through.

BONITA L BROUSSEAU - July 04, 2016 at 08:43 AM

MU

Beth, Gail, Samantha and family, I am so sorry that you all are having to go through this. My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this time. Sending you hugs and lots of love.

Murl - July 04, 2016 at 10:54 PM

TT

“ *Sharron and family, we are very sorry to hear of your father's passing. We hold you all in our thoughts and prayers. Tammy and Raymond*

Tammy Thivierge - July 04, 2016 at 07:48 AM

WB

“ *Dear Gail, I am so sorry for your loss. Prayers to you and your family.*



Wendy Brousseau - July 03, 2016 at 08:45 PM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of David W. Purrington.*



July 03, 2016 at 06:47 PM

JC

“ Although I did not know you well enough to be able to share a personal testimonial. I did know your wife well enough to know how much you were loved and how much you will be missed. My pray for the family as they miss you and as the tears fall, that each tear that falls will be filled with a memory that may bring a smile, and that each smile brings thoughts of another time to smile again, and as time goes on and you will continued to be missed that tears will be fewer and smile memories will be more until Gail can hold your hand again, and for the last time forever. With sympathies for you loss, Jerry Copeland

Jerry Copeland - July 03, 2016 at 05:38 PM