



## Diane C. Holman

August 31, 1944 - December 5, 2025

W. STEWARTSTOWN – Diane C. Holman, 81, of Colebrook, passed away at the Coös County Nursing Hospital in W. Stewartstown early on Friday morning, Dec. 5, 2025, after a period of declining health.

She was born in Brockton, Massachusetts, on August 31, 1944, to the late Richard and Dorothy (Dahlborg) Kendrew. She was raised in Duxbury, MA, and was a 1962 graduate of Duxbury High School. She then attended Framingham State College and earned her degree in Education. In 1969, she married her best friend, Orrin (“Bill”) Holman.

Diane spent most of her career as a Family and Consumer Sciences Teacher. She worked in many different schools throughout Massachusetts and New Hampshire. In 1992, she and her family relocated to the North Country, and she taught at Pittsburg School. She then went on to teach at Stratford Public School and retired from there in 2009.

Diane was a talented crafter and often created counted cross stitch and knitted gifts for loved ones. She was a wonderful cook for her family. She enjoyed time with friends playing in the local bridge club and was a member of the Red Hat Society. After retirement, she and Bill enjoyed square dancing with friends. Her greatest joy was spending time with her grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband of 56 years, Bill Holman of Colebrook; two daughters, Sarah (Glenn) Gould and Erin Monahan, of all Barrington, N.H.; two brothers, Donald Kendrew of Marshfield, MA., and Richard (Ingrid) Kendrew of Cotuit, MA., a sister, Nancy (Mark) Donoghue of Greenfield, MA.; and her four grandchildren, Conor, Ethan, Garrett and Emily.

She is predeceased by her brother, David Kendrew, as a child.

The family would like to acknowledge the Coös County Nursing Hospital and their entire staff for the great love and care Diane received while there.

At Diane's specific request, there are no public services at this time.

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.

# Tribute Wall

SG

“ *Mrs. Holman was my science teacher at Pittsburg School- maybe 7th grade. She had a nice smile and was kind (and brave to work with middle schoolers!). I'm so sorry to hear of her passing.*

Sonya Geras - March 03 at 04:38 PM

GM

“ *Garrett Monahn lit a candle in memory of Diane C. Holman*



garrett monahn - February 02 at 08:38 PM

GM

“ *Diane was my grandma we called her Mimi and she was the best grandma ever she taught me how to knit and crochet and I love her very much rip mimi*

garrett monahn - January 14 at 09:03 AM

HV

“ *So sorry for your loss Bill and your family. Bill you were so devoted to her - I so enjoyed our conversations about her and Diane will always be with you in your heart and soul. God Bless you - Heather and Dan Vasquez*

heather vasquez - December 16, 2025 at 03:50 PM

RG

“ *Bill, Erin and all,*

*Please accept our deepest condolences on your loss.*

*Sincerely,  
Tim and Rita Germain*

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**Rita Germain** - December 15, 2025 at 11:30 AM

SH

“ *I was so surprised and sorry to see this. Diane was always a breath of fresh air when she would help at the elections. I could always count on her. And, I miss stopping on my walks to chat with you passing by. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*  
*Sheila*

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**Sheila** - December 15, 2025 at 11:27 AM

AG

“ *I am so sorry to hear of the loss of Diane. I worked with her briefly when she was working at Pittsburg School. I would see her here and there over the years. Nice lady. My condolences.*

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**Ann Gray** - December 11, 2025 at 02:12 PM

MH

“ *"Nor rarest flower nor fairest face can one long trusted friend replace" is the quote on the sampler Diane cross stitched for me in 2005. It says how I felt about her. Diane was a special friend for many years and will be missed by many.*  
*My deepest sympathies go to Bill, her family and all her special friends.*  
*Maren Halladay*

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**Maren Halladay** - December 11, 2025 at 10:42 AM

SB

“ Sam and I send our condolences to you and your family. Diane was a lovely woman.

Sam and Joan Bird - December 10, 2025 at 09:09 PM

MH

“ Deepest condolences to Diane's family. What a sweet lady. I feel blessed to have met her.

Michelle Hinds - December 09, 2025 at 04:18 PM

RK

“ Diane is my big sister. Although we are 12 years apart in age . She was everything that I could've asked for  
In a big sister. I love her dearly and will miss her. She was a good wife , mother and grandmother. My deepest sympathy to Bill, Erin, Sarah, Ethan and Garret. I love you all.

Rick Kendrew

Rick Kendrew - December 09, 2025 at 03:37 PM

RK

Connor and Emily  
(Whoops)

Rick Kendrew - December 10, 2025 at 05:23 AM

JW

“ Sorry for your loss, she was a wonderful person and teacher. All four of my boys were lucky to have had her as a teacher at Stratford School! Janet L. Washburn

Janet Washburn - December 09, 2025 at 01:30 AM

EM

“ Diane was my grandmother who I always have called mimi. Mimi was the best grandmother I could have ever asked for and she never failed to cheer me up when I was down or make me feel better when I was sick. I have so many memories playing cards, crafting, baking , cooking and many other activities that she taught me. I love you Mimi.



Ethan Monahan - December 08, 2025 at 10:37 PM

DW

“ I am so sorry to read this. My condolences to Bill and family. My parents, Bill and Sarah Jane Cummings thought a lot of Diane and enjoyed playing Bridge with her and dancing.

Deborah Wells - December 08, 2025 at 07:20 PM

VS

“ I'm so very sorry for your loss - Diane was a beautiful soul!

Victoria Smart - December 08, 2025 at 05:08 PM

CM

“ To the family and friends of Diane Holman. Condolences on the loss of Diane. She was a great supporter of the library when I was a Trustee. Very nice and talented lady who will be truly missed. RIP Diane



Claire Martineau - December 08, 2025 at 02:42 PM

CN

“ I will never forget "Ma Holman" and the way she invited me into her home when I became close friends with Erin. She always made me feel welcome, and this went on for many years beyond those school days. I enjoyed visiting her and Pa Holman even after having my own kids, and loved to see them witness some of the same nurturing ways that they had shown me. May Ma be in the most peaceful place, awaiting the day when we can all be in her presence yet again to enjoy her smile and laughter.

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**Colleen Cross Nault** - December 08, 2025 at 01:28 PM

SS

“ I am deeply sorry for the loss of Diane. She was such a sweet & wonderful woman. My condolences to her family. May she rest in peace 🙏❤️

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**Sarah Schlip** - December 08, 2025 at 01:12 PM

KC

“ So very sorry for your loss!! She was a really sweet lady!!

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**Karen Cass** - December 08, 2025 at 01:06 PM

AD

“ I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Diane! My sympathies go out to her family!

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**Ann Dejackome** - December 08, 2025 at 09:33 AM

KR

“ We were sad to hear of Diane's passing. She was a kind and talented person. Sending condolences and hugs to Bill and family. Paul and Kathy Roth

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**Kathy Roth** - December 08, 2025 at 08:40 AM

JD

“ Diane and I were bridge partners on "BBO" online for several years, playing against Ken Grimes and Terry Hurlbert - and again at the Colebrook Bridge Club when I was at Jackson's Lodge for a few weeks every summer. I will miss her. Prayers for her family.

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**Jean Carol Dunham** - December 08, 2025 at 07:55 AM

PC

“ Our prayers and thoughts for Bill and family. Diane was a special teacher and friend to our family. RIP Diane.

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**Pat Connary** - December 08, 2025 at 07:48 AM

MB

“ Our condolences to Mr. Holman and his family. Mrs. Holman was a friendly and talented lady.

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**Meg & Brad** - December 08, 2025 at 07:34 AM



“ Janet Hart lit a candle in memory of Diane C. Holman



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**Janet Hart** - December 08, 2025 at 07:07 AM



“ So sorry Bill and family to hear of Diane's passing! What a sweet, nice Lady! Always enjoyed visiting with her when she came into the shop when I was cleaning it! Hugs!

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**Janet Hart** - December 08, 2025 at 07:06 AM

JO

“ *Bill, I am so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my prayers. Diane was a gifted teacher and freely shared her many talents.*

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**Joanne OBrien** - December 08, 2025 at 06:51 AM