



Diane B. Merrill

September 26, 1956 - February 27, 2016

PITTSBURG – Diane B. Merrill, 59, of Pittsburg, NH, passed away peacefully very early on Saturday morning, Feb. 27, 2016, at the home of her daughter in Belmont, NH, surrounded by her loving family and her least favorite cat, Bacon.

Diane was born in West Stewartstown on Sept. 26, 1956, a daughter to the late Darwin and Agnes (Benoit) Brooks. She was a 1974 graduate of Colebrook Academy.

For many years, Diane worked in the furniture repair shop at Ethan Allen. When not working, she enjoyed crafting, quilting, taking care of others, including being a designated driver, playing Bingo, taking trips to Foxwoods & Las Vegas, being a scorekeeper at softball games, especially at the annual tournament in Canaan, and time spent with family and friends. She also loved going out to eat, playing Facebook games, reading, going to the movies, shopping for her grandchildren, attending plays at the Weathervane Playhouse, comedian shows, giving advice, and playing scratch tickets. Her happiest times were the days she spent with her grandchildren.

Diane's last request was for a family trip to Foxwoods. Scott, Peter, Jenn, Evelyn, Brad, Aimee, Jeff, Madelyn, her brother, Stephen and Justin accompanied her on this adventure. Her last spin on one of her favorite slots

resulted in hitting the jackpot! She went out on top!

She is survived by her husband of 40 years, Scott Merrill of Pittsburg; her three children, Peter Merrill (Jenn) of Fremont, NH, Brad Merrill of Pittsburg, and Aimee-Lynn (Jeff) Sheltry of Belmont, NH; five grandchildren, Madleyn Sheltry, Evelyn Merrill, Logan Elliot, Dana Wright, and Brynn Hartlen.

At Diane's specific request, there will be no public funeral services. On Saturday, March 12, 2016, from 1-3 p.m., there will be a "Celebration of Life" at the Outback Pub in West Stewartstown, because it was her wish that her life be celebrated and not mourned.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Diane may be made to the Two Rivers Ride for Cancer, c/o R. Mulliken, 53 Spring St., Colebrook, NH 03576.

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

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

Tribute Wall

DD

“ *Scott and family -*

So sorry to hear of your loss. Our thoughts are with you at this difficult time.

Darlene (French) Dumais-Allen

Darlene (French) Dumais-Allen - March 10, 2016 at 09:55 PM

GL

“ *We are so sorry for your loss!*
Gilles and Priscilla Lambert

Gilles & Priscilla Lambert - March 10, 2016 at 07:54 AM

JH

“ *She fought the fight as well as she could. She loved each of you in her own special way. Please know of my thoughts, prayers and love at this most difficult time. Love, Judy*



Judy Houghton - March 04, 2016 at 10:57 AM

JH

“ Thinking of all of you at this most difficult time. Diane was one of the kind. A very special person that will be deeply missed by all. Our hearts go out to all of you.

Sincerely,
Mark and Joy, Sam and Nick, Beth and Nick

Thanks for all the good memories, and the best Mac Salad recipe ever! We will never forget you.

Joy Hebert - March 02, 2016 at 12:33 PM

JG

“ Judith Grover lit a candle in memory of Diane B. Merrill



Judith Grover - March 02, 2016 at 08:47 AM

JG

Rest in peace Diane, even though we weren't in contact that much over the years I hope you knew how much you were a part of my life by helping me raise my Aneka and Brendon when they were younger and I worked. I never had to worry one Bit when I dropped them off to you and that was an absolute relief, I knew they were in great hands and loved !!! Your heart was huge and you passed that on to your children, you will be missed but you will always be here in a part of all your family and friends. We all have another beautiful angel to watch over us. <3 <3 <3

Judith Grover - March 02, 2016 at 08:53 AM



Our loss is Heaven's gain. So glad our paths crossed, you will be missed dearly by all.

Sherri Hawes - March 02, 2016 at 02:27 PM

JO

“ So sorry for your loss. You will truly be missed.

Joanne O'Brien - March 02, 2016 at 03:52 AM



“ Scott so sorry for you and your family's lost . You deserve so much more

Edward Gilbert - March 01, 2016 at 05:14 PM

SN


Our deepest sympathy to you Scott, your children and all of Diane's family & friends you're in our thoughts & prayers. Suzelle & Walter Noyes

Suzelle & Walter Noyes - March 02, 2016 at 10:28 AM

RN

“ My condolences to everyone

Robert Noyes - March 01, 2016 at 03:20 PM

 Maegan Haynes

“ thinking of you all, knowing she is right there by your side as always! <3



Maegan Haynes - March 01, 2016 at 12:10 PM



“ I will always hold this lady dear to my heart. My thought go out to the family.

Everett Carney - March 01, 2016 at 10:40 AM

JH

“ *Judi Hanson lit a candle in memory of Diane B. Merrill*



Judi Hanson - March 01, 2016 at 10:18 AM

JG

“ *Joanne Gilbert lit a candle in memory of Diane B. Merrill*



Joanne Gilbert - March 01, 2016 at 08:53 AM

JG

Scott Amy Brad and Peter I am so sorry to hear of Dianes death she will be missed by many that knew and loved her as we all did my heartfelt sympathies to all of you

Joanne Gilbert - March 01, 2016 at 08:58 AM

DB

“ *Sincere sympathy to the entire family of Diane. We are so sorry for your loss. May she rest in peace Deb & Ray Bonenfant*



Deb Bonenfant - March 01, 2016 at 08:35 AM

MS

“ To all that are mourning the death of Diane Merrill

*Wishing you Peace to bring comfort,
Courage to face the days ahead, and
Loving Memories to forever hold in your heart.
Brad & Meg Sheltry*

Meg Sheltry - March 01, 2016 at 06:54 AM

CP

“ My deepest condolences to you all.



Corina Parker - March 01, 2016 at 05:25 AM

HH

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

Haven & Peggy Haynes - February 29, 2016 at 10:53 PM

PW

“ Penny Worrell lit a candle in memory of Diane B. Merrill



Penny Worrell - February 29, 2016 at 10:23 PM

PW

So sorry to hear alot of memories in North hill RIP Diane till we meet again love. Penny (Brigham) Worrell

Penny Worrell - February 29, 2016 at 10:25 PM

DL

“ To the Merrill family, so sad to hear the sad news of Diane's passing. She always had a smile when she would come get the black box in the cook shack from me for men's league. We always had a nice visit before the games would start. Rest in piece. Your all in my thoughts and prayers.
Donna Lapierre



Donna Lapierre - February 29, 2016 at 09:53 PM

RG

“ Robert & Martha (Brooks) Gadwah sent a virtual gift in memory of Diane B. Merrill



Robert & Martha (Brooks) Gadwah - February 29, 2016 at 09:52 PM

RG

So sorry for your great loss of such a wonderful woman! Prayers and thought are with you all. Always looked forward to seeing her and Scott come into Chops and showing me pics of her Grandchildren. She will be missed by many! Soar with the Angels!

Robert & Martha (Brooks) Gadwah - February 29, 2016 at 09:58 PM

TO

“ so sad to hear of Diane's passing she was a wonderful person she will be missed by so many. Prayers and sympathies to her family and friends.

Tracy Owen - February 29, 2016 at 09:33 PM

TT

“ We are so sad to hear of Diane's passing. Our prayers and sympathies for all her loved ones. It's great that Diane had such a wonderful family at her side during her struggles. God Bless each of you.

Tammy J Thivierge - February 29, 2016 at 08:58 PM

LP

“ Stephen so very sorry for the loss of your dear sister. Keeping you and your family in my thoughts and prayers.

Linda Poulin

Linda Poulin - February 29, 2016 at 08:26 PM

LP

“ Linda Poulin lit a candle in memory of Diane B. Merrill



Linda Poulin - February 29, 2016 at 08:22 PM

CB

“ I was so sorry to hear of Diane's passing. As adults we drifted apart. I do have so many child hood memories. School, sleep overs, visits across the street and riding to school together after Mike got his license. Rest easy with all of our loved ones up there with you. One day I will see you again!
With love
Cindy



Cindy Brigham - February 29, 2016 at 07:54 PM

MA

“ *Marycote lit a candle in memory of Diane B. Merrill*



marycote - February 29, 2016 at 06:59 PM

MA

sorry to hear about your loss

marycote - February 29, 2016 at 07:00 PM

PS

*our sympathies go out to scott and family
Patrick and rebecca prosper*

patrick prosper sr - February 29, 2016 at 07:07 PM

JM

“ *Our sympathies to Scott and all of the family.
John and Sue Morrissey*

John and Sue Morrissey - February 29, 2016 at 06:50 PM

SU

“ *Deep sympathy to all the family.*

Sue - February 29, 2016 at 06:21 PM



“ *Sylvie Bunnell lit a candle in memory of Diane B. Merrill*



Sylvie Bunnell - February 29, 2016 at 06:04 PM

JR

“ *Julie Rainville lit a candle in memory of Diane B. Merrill*



Julie Rainville - February 29, 2016 at 05:30 PM

JR

So sorry for all's loss, thoughts and prayers are with all of you, Diane was a good person, R.I.P.

Julie Rainville - February 29, 2016 at 05:32 PM

FC

“ *Sympathy to all of Diane's family. Francine & Andre Champagne*

Francine Champagne - February 29, 2016 at 05:20 PM

BH

“ *Sympathy to all of Diane's family. To you Steve, no words can express the loss I'm sure you and the rest of Diane's loved ones are feeling. Stay strong and treasure those many many memories.*

Barbara

Barbara Hann - February 29, 2016 at 05:16 PM

SF

“ *Sherry Fish lit a candle in memory of Diane B. Merrill*



Sherry Fish - February 29, 2016 at 05:08 PM

SF

So sorry to hear this news Scott. Blaine and I are thinking of you and your family.

Sherry Fish - February 29, 2016 at 05:09 PM



“ *Theresa Brooks lit a candle in memory of Diane B. Merrill*



Theresa Brooks - February 29, 2016 at 04:58 PM



“ *WE are very sadden to hear of Diane"s passing .She sure had a beautiful family and enjoyed her life she was so young. Lester and Theresa Brooks*

Theresa Brooks - February 29, 2016 at 04:56 PM

LC

“ *Linda Clogston lit a candle in memory of Diane B. Merrill*



Linda Clogston - February 29, 2016 at 04:11 PM

LC

“ *My condolences to you Scott and your family,Diane enjoyed life,and the children,she cared for,MY GRANDCHILDREN loved her..There was no one like Diane,May GOD help you in your sorrow""Lois Coutts*

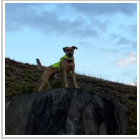
Lois Coutts - February 29, 2016 at 03:41 PM

LB

“ You will be missed, may you find peace and comfort in the arms of Angels.



Lana Brooks - February 29, 2016 at 03:20 PM



“ Audie Porter lit a candle in memory of Diane B. Merrill



Audie Porter - February 29, 2016 at 02:58 PM

JC

“ Jackie & Lenny Caires lit a candle in memory of Diane B. Merrill



Jackie & Lenny Caires - February 29, 2016 at 02:18 PM

RM

“ Rosemary Mulliken lit a candle in memory of Diane B. Merrill



Rosemary Mulliken - February 29, 2016 at 01:44 PM

RM

To the Merrill and Brooks families-AI and I send our sincere condolences on the loss of Diane. She was a treasure!

Rosemary Mulliken - February 29, 2016 at 01:46 PM

ST

“ *Scott and family (except for Bacon), please accept my sincere condolences for your loss. There was only one Diane.*

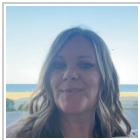
steven.bissonnette@yahoo.com - February 29, 2016 at 01:31 PM

RK

“ *Rosalie King lit a candle in memory of Diane B. Merrill*



Rosalie King - February 29, 2016 at 01:18 PM



“ *Lisa Godzyk lit a candle in memory of Diane B. Merrill*



Lisa Godzyk - February 29, 2016 at 01:01 PM

AG

Dear Scott, Peter, Brad, and Aimee-Lynn, We were so very sorry to hear of Diane's loss. We are praying for your comfort at this sad time. Let us know if there is anything that we can do.

Ann Gray - February 29, 2016 at 01:34 PM

KH

My condolences to you Scott and your family always will remember seeing you guys and how Diane always had a smile when ever we spoke. God Bless Kevin & Bonnie Hurley

Kevin Hurley - March 03, 2016 at 10:19 AM