



Donald J.F. Plumley

July 11, 1966 - August 31, 2014

CLARKSVILLE – Donald J. F. Plumley, 48, of Clarksville, died tragically from injuries sustained in a tractor-trailer accident in Lunenburg, Vt., late on Sunday evening, Aug. 31, 2014.

Born in Palmer, Mass., on July 11, 1966, he was the son of Donald A. and Mary (Doran) Plumley. His family moved to northern Vermont when he was still young, and Donald was a 1984 graduate of Stratford High School.

For the past 24 years, Donald was one of the area's best-loved milk truck drivers, delivering the products of local dairy farms for Rancourt Trucking. He loved his daily stops at the many farms, and he enjoyed visiting with all the farmers. He was an avid hunter and snowmobiler, and he looked forward to his annual snowmobiling trip to Jackman, Me. He was a fan of NASCAR racing, and he also raised a few turkeys and chickens on his own little home farm. He was very close to his father, and loved to spend time with him, and talked with him every day. He also enjoyed all other family events and was a very social person who loved to meet new people. He will be dearly missed by all his family, friends and co-workers.

He is survived by his wife of 20 years, Kimberly (Gadwah) Plumley of Clarksville; his two daughters, Erin Blanchard and husband Michael of Pittsburg, and Kaylan Gray and fiancé Douglas Elliott of Colebrook; his father,

Donald A. Plumley of Brunswick, Vt.; two brothers, Steve Plumley and wife Carole Rodrigue of Stewartstown, and Matthew Plumley and wife Sharal of Guildhall, Vt.; and two nephews, Jarrod and Joshua Plumley.

He is preceded in death by his mother and a sister, Heather Kish.

Calling hours will be on Friday, Sept. 5, 2014, from 1-3 and 6-8 p.m. at the Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook. A graveside service will be held on Saturday, Sept. 6, at 1:30 p.m. at the Perry Cemetery on West Road in Clarksville. A celebration of Donald's life will be part of a special event at the Rancourt Trucking garage on West Road immediately following the service.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Mr. Plumley may be made to a charity of one's choice.

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.

Cemetery Details

Perry Cemetery

West Road
Clarksville, NH

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 5. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home
103 Main Street
Colebrook, NH 03576
(603) 237-4311
info@jenkinsnewman.com

Visitation

SEP 5. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Service

SEP 6. 1:30 PM (ET)

Perry Cemetery
West Road
Clarksville, NH

Tribute Wall

KT

“ Dear Kim, please except my most sincere condolences, even though it has been a time since your loss. Unfortunately I was just made aware of Donald accident and though we only met a couple of times some 7 years ago over a meal at the Spa I have often thought of you both. Donald was a very special person, always smiling and happy. So glad that I got to meet you both. My thoughts are with you and the family. Kathy T. from QC

Kathy Teasdale - March 14, 2016 at 05:24 PM

TG

“ Twila Glidden-Hawley lit a candle in memory of Donald J.F. Plumley



Twila Glidden-Hawley - September 12, 2014 at 05:16 PM

TN

“ Terrie Nelepovitz lit a candle in memory of Donald J.F. Plumley



Terrie Nelepovitz - September 11, 2014 at 11:49 AM

NH

“ *I can't think of a nicer guy than Don, I was Fortunate enough to go hunting with him A hand full of times at Bosebuck Camps, I can still remember the smile on his face when he shot his big buck up there by thrasher peaks, he was so happy he was almost crying, I'm sure there was many moments like that in his life with the great family you have. I'm really going to miss him. Signed Nate Hutchins*

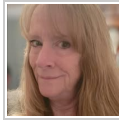
Nathan Hutchins - September 08, 2014 at 05:16 PM



“ *Charlotte Amadon lit a candle in memory of Donald J.F. Plumley*

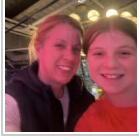


Charlotte Amadon - September 08, 2014 at 06:18 AM



Larry and I are thinking of you all at this time of sorrow

Charlotte Amadon - September 08, 2014 at 06:19 AM



“ Dear Kim, Erin, Kaylan and all those whom are mourning a tragic loss. I pray for your peace through an uncomprehensible loss. I pray for the healing in your hearts as you try to navigate your way. I pray for Gods comfort to surround you as He is mourning with you. And I pray that during the hard times of sadness you are able to feel the wind against your face and know that even though you may not be able to see Donald , you are always able to feel his spirit, just as you can feel the wind against your face but can't see it. Believe that Donald is always there with you.

*With deepest sympathy
Emily & Nathan Foote*

Emily Hejna-Foote - September 07, 2014 at 07:24 AM

MT

Wow... extremely shocking to read such kind words that are completely in contrast to the way you both are in reality! The way you both tear down other local individuals in the area and the way you mistreat people and then have the audacity to write something like this! you two are the king and queen of entitlement and are terrible human beings

mark terry - November 11, 2025 at 06:16 AM

LB

“ Donald was a true, honest to goodness all around great guy. There will never be another, and he was loved by all who were blessed to know him. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family.

Lisa Boudle - September 06, 2014 at 10:35 AM



“ *My condolences to the Plumley family ,Donald was always happy when ever i saw him at the plant at cabot,ready to lend a hand in anyway he could to make your day better ..we will miss him greatly!!
Aaron Persons ,Walden Vt*

Aaron Persons - September 06, 2014 at 07:26 AM

GH

“ *My condolences to the Plumley family. It was always a pleasure to meet and chat with Donald at the West Springfield plant. He will be truly missed.*

*George Hess
J&J Trucking
Manchester, VT*

George Hess - September 05, 2014 at 11:41 PM

BR

“ *During my encounters with Donald over quite a few years his dedication and commitment to his job was very evident. He was a great milkman. I truly enjoyed those visits. My deepest sympathy to his family. Brady Metcalf Fieldrep.*

Brady - September 05, 2014 at 02:57 PM

MR

“ *I am truly so very sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers goes out to ALL Of Donald's Family and Friends. I am so very sorry :(*

Michelle Rousseau - September 05, 2014 at 12:29 PM

BP

“ Kim, I am so sorry for your loss. I only met this wonderful man once but it was very obvious he was your soul mate and made you very happy. You made my job so easy and enjoyable while I was there. I came to love all of you very much, you most of all. My number is 864-391-5795 if you ever want to talk. Love you, Bernice.



Bernice Pelfrey - September 05, 2014 at 11:41 AM

TE

“ Tricia E. Ellingwood lit a candle in memory of Donald J.F. Plumley



Tricia E. Ellingwood - September 05, 2014 at 10:50 AM

KM

“ Kim- I was sorry to hear this sad news and want you to know I am thinking of you and Erin and Kaylan. loveya, KathyMcIntyre

Kathy McIntyre - September 04, 2014 at 04:59 PM

LM

“ I will never eat steamed clams again without seeing Donald across from me with a bowl of steamers & a cold one. A wonderful man and a great friend. You will be missed.
Love you much...Linda

Linda Masewic - September 04, 2014 at 07:59 AM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Donald J.F. Plumley.*



September 04, 2014 at 06:28 AM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Donald J.F. Plumley.*



September 04, 2014 at 06:18 AM



“ *Mike Whitaker purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Donald J.F. Plumley.*



Mike Whitaker - September 04, 2014 at 05:52 AM

DB

“ Kim, and family, I can't even tell you how sorry David and I are, about your loss....I hope that time will help you heal a little bit, each day...God Bless you and your family...We send you all, our love....Just Remember, that he will always be in your hearts...May his beautiful memories ease your pain ...Love and hugs... David and Diane Brooks <3

Diane and David Brooks - September 03, 2014 at 08:40 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald J.F. Plumley.



September 03, 2014 at 07:09 PM

KL

“ Kathy Lord lit a candle in memory of Donald J.F. Plumley



kathy Lord - September 03, 2014 at 04:55 PM

GC

“ *Kim and family, words cannot express the sadness in my heart for all of you. Donald was a very special man, his spirit will live on for eternity. We are all better for having knowing such a wonderful man. I will keep you all in my prayers at this most difficult time Gail, ox*



Be Still-

Be still like the grass on a melancholy summer day

Be still like desert shrub.

Be calm and you will hear your loved one speak, in the stillness, in the calm, their love resounds.

If you are still this promise I make, you will hear the voice of your loved one helping you along your way.

By: Lamaretta Simmons

Gail Clark - September 03, 2014 at 04:50 PM

MK

“ *Donald was my best friend ,we grew up together on the back roads of the north country , we were always together. Until Donald's dad kicked me off the farm for misbehaving back in 82, and if you have seen Mr plumbley you know why I didn't go back until Mrs plumley came to our house and told me it was ok to return. I feel so honered to have been his friend , no one will miss you more then I will buddy , keep your spirits up guys, Donald never wanted anyone to feel bad !!*

mike kettle - September 03, 2014 at 04:40 PM

EP

“ *Earle Plumley purchased the Blooming Garden Basket for the family of Donald J.F. Plumley.*



Earle Plumley - September 03, 2014 at 04:02 PM

KD

“ *Tough to know what to say. My thoughts and prayers are with you Kim . Uncle Don, Steven & Matt and the rest of family, memories are what keep him close to your heart. Sympathy & sadness can't describe what you are going through. Please know that we are praying for you all. Kenny, Ken, Vivian, Amanda, Chris & Matt Doran*

Ken Doran - September 03, 2014 at 03:37 PM

MS

“ *Mary Lou Stinson lit a candle in memory of Donald J.F. Plumley*



Mary Lou Stinson - September 03, 2014 at 01:40 PM



“ *Sacred Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald J.F. Plumley.*



September 03, 2014 at 12:18 PM

DG

“ Dear Kim, sorry for your loss. You and the girls have my deepest sympathy. MAY god be with you all through this trying time.

Sincerely,
Deborah Gordon

deborah gordon - September 03, 2014 at 11:22 AM

TB

“ Remarkable personality and always a pleasure to have a conversation with. Wish we had shared more time together enjoying the outdoors adventures that we both loved and share with others. Don was seldom without his great smile and quick wit and sense of humor.
His passing will be heartfelt by a great many. We pray for the remaining in his family to have the strength to deal with this tragedy. Our hearts go out to the Plumley families. You have our deepest and sincerest sympathy.

Ted & Cathy Burns - September 03, 2014 at 09:24 AM



“ So sorry for the loss of such a wonderful man and fellow driver. We will miss him greatly. He was one of the best. Will miss his laugh first thing in the morning at cabot.

Michelle Pike - September 03, 2014 at 08:26 AM

TM

“ Kim, Erin & Mike, Kaylan & Dj our heart goes out to you and your family during this difficult time. May you find strength in the love of family and the warm embrace of friends. Love you.

Terry McKinnon - September 03, 2014 at 08:18 AM

TM

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Terry McKinnon - September 03, 2014 at 08:18 AM

MW

“ *Donald was my best friend growing up. He lived on a farm down the road from ours by a few miles. It seemed like we always were spending time together, whether it was target shooting, hunting, sledding, working on vehicles, going to Dubriel's roller skating rink, or just working on each others farms. We had a lot of fun, and sometimes got into trouble (me, more so than him). He was always so happy and kind (just like his father Don), and would give you the shirt off of his back. I am truly sorry that you are gone my friend and that I never took the time to catch up to you and say hi. I always thought that I had tomorrow.*

To Donald's family I am so, so sorry for your loss of such a wonderful son, husband, father, etc.. I know there is nothing that I can say, or do, to make this time any easier for you, but may you find some peace in the memories that we all have of him.

*I love you all, and wish you peace and many blessings,
Mike Whitaker*

Mike Whitaker - September 02, 2014 at 08:59 PM

KH

“ Kim, Kaylan, Erin, and family our deepest sympathy for this tragic loss. Having worked with Donald for 20 years he was the best co-worker anyone could ever ask for always willing to go the extra mile for everyone. He will be sadly missed by all.

God Bless

Kevin & Bonnie Hurley

Kevin Hurley - September 02, 2014 at 08:08 PM

LG

“ Kim;
Danny and I were shocked and saddened to hear of your husbands passing. Please know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.....

lisa gravel - September 02, 2014 at 07:11 PM

DD

“ Kim, Kaylan, Erin, and extended family, Thinking of you all, and we're so very sorry about Donald's passing. Praying you can find some calm in the midst of this storm...Deb and Pete Dimmitt

Deb & Pete Dimmitt - September 02, 2014 at 06:12 PM

PS

“ My deepest sympathies Kim, Erin, Kaylan and family. I only met him a couple times at CCNH and he was very nice. My thoughts and prayers are with you in this sad time. Pam. Smith

Pam Smith - September 02, 2014 at 05:51 PM

MD

“ Dearest Kim and family. Pete and I would like to offer our deepest sympathy to you and your family. What does one say when someone so dear is taken from us. I'm sure you are all in shock. We just want you to know that we love you and are sending many prayers your way. May our Lord's face shine upon him and may he rest in peace.

Mary Etta Thibeault Dowse - September 02, 2014 at 05:20 PM

Joann
Walbridge
Allen

“ Kim and family please know that so many of us at Cabot Creamery are deeply saddened to hear of Donald's passing, I enjoyed our chats about Nascar and his recent trip to Hawaii. please know I am keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers during this most difficult time. We will truly miss him. God bless you all. Joann Allen (Cabot Creamery).

Joann Walbridge Allen - September 02, 2014 at 04:06 PM

LL

“ Louie And Nancy Lamoureux lit a candle in memory of Donald J.F. Plumley



Louie and Nancy Lamoureux - September 02, 2014 at 04:03 PM

KB

“ Keith And Billie Brockney lit a candle in memory of Donald J.F. Plumley



Keith and Billie Brockney - September 02, 2014 at 03:42 PM

SB

“ My one encounter with Donald was meeting him at my Dad's summer place in NH. He was very nice to myself and my family. Kim, even though I have made it a rocky rode for a friendship to develop, My thoughts and prayers are out there for you and the girls during such a horrible time in your life.

Susan Haynes Brown - September 02, 2014 at 02:27 PM

MP

“ Don became a great friend to our family & friends he will be sadly missed! Moose Mtn Road will not be the same without his visits and great northern humor. Our thoughts and prayers are with Kim and the family.

-Mike & Dawn Phelps

Mike Phelps - September 02, 2014 at 02:15 PM

DS

“ Donald was more than a milkman he was our best friend, he was always there to lend a helping hand weather it was putting heifers in or pulling out a truck. He always shared all the daily events of Essex County with us. It was just nice to see his smiling face. Even on bad days he would make us smile and laugh We will miss him more then words can express. He was a very good man who adored his wife and daughters and was a friend to all of us farmers.

Darcy Smart

Darcy Smart - September 02, 2014 at 02:06 PM

HS

“ Donald could always cheer me up on a bad day when everything was going wrong, and was always so patient when he had to wait for us to finish milking.

Helen Smart

Helen Smart - September 02, 2014 at 01:31 PM

DG

“ Diana Gendreau lit a candle in memory of Donald J.F. Plumley



Diana Gendreau - September 02, 2014 at 01:20 PM

DG

“ Kim, Erin, and Kaylan ~ I cannot imagine what you must be going through or how difficult this is for you. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers and that I am here for you at any time.
Diana Gendreau

Diana Gendreau - September 02, 2014 at 01:19 PM