



Donald H. Placey

July 13, 1932 - October 8, 2009

STEWARTSTOWN, NH – Mr. Donald Herbert Placey, 77, died at the Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital early Thursday morning, October 8, 2009, with his family by his side.

Donald was born July 13, 1932, in Stewartstown, the eighth child of Guy V. Placey, Sr. and Evelyn (Towle) Placey. Growing up on the farm, he attended “Bear Rock University.”

Donald left the family farm to begin his truck driving career for Reuben Washburn. Over the years, he established a reputation for his truck driving skills, working on construction and hauling pulp and logs. Donald worked each spring for many years helping rebuild the Mount Washington Auto Road. He owned and operated school buses for the Town of Stewartstown for over twenty years. Donald served as East Side Road Agent for the Town of Stewartstown for fifteen years. He had a great love of the outdoors, and hunted and fished until deteriorating health prevented it. Donald took great pleasure in his land and instilled a love for it in his children and grandchildren.

In 1968, he married Lynne Owen and together they built a new home in Stewartstown where they lived happily for the next forty-one years. In late years he was delighted to welcome his four grandchildren into his home for regular visits. This last weekend his eyes lit up with delight as he watched

grandson, Ransom, play his guitar. He was a frequent visitor to Howard's Restaurant and the Colebrook House of Pizza where he thoroughly enjoyed drinking coffee with his friends and telling tales. He was well known for his gift of gab and will be missed by many.

Donald is survived by his devoted and loving wife, Lynne Owen Placey of Stewartstown, NH; three daughters, Darleen Placey and husband Mike Knight, and their son Ransom of Colebrook, Heather Pollard Leighton and husband, Lucas, and son Owen, stepson, Mason and stepdaughter Molly of Stewartstown, and Dawn Pettit and husband, Jeffrey, daughter Adelle, son Drew, and stepdaughter Kaylin, of Stewartstown; a sister, Arlene Riendeau of Stewartstown; as well as several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his parents, six brothers, Willard, Shirley, Burleigh, Guy Jr., Reginald, and William Placey; a sister, Pauline McAllaster; and a son-in-law, Irving Pollard.

Calling hours will be on Sunday, October 11, 2009, from 3 – 6 p.m. at the Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook, NH. A graveside service will be held on Monday, October 12, at 1:00 p.m. at the Colebrook Village Cemetery. The service will be co-officiated by Donald's brother-in-law, Pastor Jeffrey Owen, and Pastor Matt Coons. Pallbearers will be Bob Shaw, Paul McKinnon, Keith Jackson, Doody Gadwah, Scott Tessier and Bill Stephens.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Mr. Placey may be made to the Upper Connecticut Valley Home Health Services, c/o Steve Brooks, 181 Corliss Lane, Colebrook, NH 03576.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **11**. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home
103 Main Street
Colebrook, NH

Tribute Wall



“ To Lynn, Darleen, Heather , Dawn and family. I was sad to hear about the loss of your husband, Father and grandfather. May you be comforted with the thought that he is no longer suffering and in pain. That he is now resting peacefully. He will forever be in your hearts and never leave your sides.##imported-begin##Jane Dustin##imported-end##

October 28, 2009 at 08:41 AM



“ Darleen, Lynn and family,
So sorry to hear of the passing of your dad and loved one. I was shocked to read in the paper of his obituarie.
I saw Dawn recently in the restaurant i work at and i was asking about you all and if your dad still made his daily visit to Howards and she said yes.
Please know that im thinking of you darleen and girls as i know you loved your dad so much.##imported-begin##Cathy Edwards##imported-end##

October 19, 2009 at 01:00 PM



“ With deepest sympathy to all of the family.

Norma Hodge##imported-begin##Norma Hodge##imported-end##

October 17, 2009 at 10:23 PM



“ Lynne, Darleen, Heather and Dawn Please accept my sincerest condolences on your loss of your loved one. I know this is a very difficult time for you all and want you to know you are in my prayers. May you find some comforts in your memories. God bless! Patty Hart###imported-begin###Patty Hart###imported-end###

October 12, 2009 at 01:59 PM



“ Deepest sympathy to whole family. Donald will certainly be missed.

Sincerely, Hasen and Jeannine###imported-begin###Hasen and Jeannine Burns###imported-end###

October 12, 2009 at 10:35 AM



“ Dear Lynne, Darleen, Heather, and Dawn, I am so sorry to hear of Don's passing. I pray comfort to your hearts during this sad time. My deepest sympathies. Cousin Heather###imported-begin###Heather Hulse###imported-end###

October 11, 2009 at 05:41 PM



“ Lynn and family our condolences on your loss. I can remeber working at Howards with Dawn and Donald holding court out in the restaurant. He seemed to get the biggest kick out me running for Colebrook selectman and pushed me to question everything. It is a loss of a North country treasure. The memories will live on as a tribute to his long life and morsels of converstion.###imported-begin###Haven and Peggy Haynes###imported-end###

October 11, 2009 at 01:34 PM



“ Lynn, Darlene, Heather, Dawn and Families
I was so sorry to hear about Donald. I just loved talking with him while waiting for Natalie during her piano lessons. I also loved hearing him tell stories about my Dad. My father just loved talking with him on the phone. They sure knew the 'gossip'.
The Bible states that Jehovah will end all suffering and death will be no more.
(Rev 21 :1-4)
Our sincere sympathy goes out to all of you.
Love
Becky Bean and Family##imported-begin##Becky Bean##imported-end##

October 11, 2009 at 06:45 AM



“ Dear Lynn and family;
We are so sorry to hear of Donalds passing, he will be greatly missed. David and him had some great times together and David will never forget him, neither will I. We wish we could be there for you but it is impossible right now. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. We'll try to get to see you when David is feeling better.
Love Carol and David##imported-begin##David and Carol Rainville##imported-end##

October 10, 2009 at 04:57 PM



“ Thinking of you all during this difficult time. I hope Donald's soul travels to a place filled with Blueberry Pies so he will be eternally happy! I will have each of you in my thoughts. All the best,
Stephen##imported-begin##Stephen Brooks##imported-end##

October 10, 2009 at 01:38 PM



“ Dear Lynne, Darleen, Heather, Dawn and family,

I'm so very sorry to hear about the loss of Donald. I will miss him very much. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time.

Love,

Tori and Jordan##imported-begin##Tori Whiting-Smart##imported-end##

October 10, 2009 at 01:15 PM



“ Dear Lynne and family,

We send our deepest and heartfelt sympathy for the loss your beloved husband, father, grandfather. Our prayers have been and will continue to be with you in these upcoming days, weeks, months, etc. as you adjust to life without him. May the wonderful memories shared, bring warmth and smiles, and may the hugs of family and friends bring you much comfort. May the Holy Spirit bring you His comfort during this most difficult time. We send our love! Lori, James and family##imported-begin##Lori Parkhurst MacDonald##imported-end##

October 09, 2009 at 01:43 PM



“ Lynne and Family,

Our thoughts and prayers are with your during this very difficult time.##imported-begin##Cindy and Robert Bissonnette##imported-end##

October 09, 2009 at 11:51 AM