



Elizabeth "Betty" J. Frizzell

July 24, 1937 - September 29, 2021

COLEBROOK – Elizabeth “Betty” Jane Frizzell, 84, of Colebrook, N.H., passed away at the Coös County Nursing Hospital in West Stewartstown on Wednesday, Sept. 29, 2021, after several years of declining health.

Betty was born in Colebrook on July 24, 1937, the second daughter of Arnold J. and Marguerite “Rusty” Hughes Wiswell. She was proud to be one of the extended Hughes clan that grew up in Colebrook in the ‘50s. She was graduated from Colebrook Academy in 1955, where the Colebrook girls had to quickly change from their basketball uniforms to pressed cheerleading dresses on cold nights at the old Town Hall.

As a young girl in downtown Colebrook, Betty chased and caught one of the Frizzell boys who also lived on Parsons Street. Don and Betty were wed at St. Stephens in 1956, and Betty then graduated from Burdett Business College in Boston in 1957. Don and Betty moved often the first few years of marriage, but settled down on East Road in Clarksburg, Massachusetts for almost ten years. While there, Betty was involved in local Sunday schools, the Cub Scouts, and the P.T.A.

Betty was never so happy as when she and Don moved back to their beloved Colebrook in 1973. Later, with her three sons getting older, Betty rejoined the work force. For many years, she was the medical secretary, personal

bookkeeper, and typist/editor for Dr. Gifford and Dr. Parsons. When they formed the Indian Stream Clinic, Betty took her talents there. With Don working at UCVH, the two of them were an integral part of the north country health care community for many years. Betty welcomed many new doctors to town with homemade cookies or a casserole.

She was always an active volunteer. She served on the Vestry at St. Stephen's Church, and was one of their Wonder Workers. She was part of the UCVH Auxiliary, and later, was on its Board of Overseers. Betty served on the Planning Board, and helped with Meals on Wheels in that program's infancy. Along with Rusty and Audrey, she loved the Colebrook Area Historical Society and the Academy Alumni Association.

If Betty's social calendar was bare, she would fill it. Any excuse was enough for a get-together. She and Don shared a lifelong love of dancing, and enjoyed trips to Ireland, Old Orchard, and the Lancaster Fair. She would organize high school and family reunions. She loved her many trips with the Traveling Girls, and her trips to Cancun. Betty taught family and friends to play guitar, and sipped wine with the Baggy Minstrels. She cheered on her sons and grandkids at hundreds (thousands?) of ball games. She took faithful care of her mother in Rusty's declining years. Betty was also a trusted confidant to her many friends, classmates, co-workers, and family members. Betty will be remembered as an always cheerful, behind-the-scenes hard worker, who made sure everything got done timely and correctly, and made sure everyone's needs were met.

Betty is survived by her three sons: Mr. and Mrs. Timothy and Linda Frizzell, of Lemington, Vermont, and their children, Melissa (Pete), Kyle (Samantha), and Jessica (Jesse); Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and Jane Frizzell, of Lemington, Vermont, and their children Justin (Jennifer), Ian, and Sarah (Brian); and Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan and Katherine Frizzell, of Colebrook, and their children,

James (Asenath), Maggie (Kate), and Cameron. Along with her ten grandchildren, Betty was also blessed with eight great-grandchildren, with another on the way.

Betty is preceded in death by her sweetheart and husband of 48 years, Donald G. Frizzell; by her sister, friend, and ally, Audrey W. Noyes; and her grandson, Ryan Thomas Frizzell (Marecar).

Calling hours will be on Sunday, Oct. 10, 2021, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook. A graveside interment service will be held the next morning, Monday, Oct. 11, at 11 a.m. in the Colebrook Village Cemetery with the The Rev. Timothy Brooks officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Colebrook Area Historical Society, P.O. Box 32, Colebrook, NH 03576.

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

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to the care of Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Colebrook Village Cemetery

North Main Street, U.S. Route 3
Colebrook, NH

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **10**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Graveside Service

OCT **11**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Colebrook Village Cemetery
North Main Street, U.S. Route 3
Colebrook, NH

Tribute Wall



“ Garden Accent Stone - *"Wherever a Beautiful Soul..."* was purchased for the family of Elizabeth "Betty" J. Frizzell.



November 04, 2021 at 09:47 AM



“ Tim, Tom, Jon, and families, I enjoyed talking with your mom every time we met. She was such a nice lady and always smiling and happy. She always lifted my spirits. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Donna Keazer and family

Donna A Keazer - October 15, 2021 at 09:57 AM



“ Garden Accent - *"Perhaps the stars..."* was purchased for the family of Elizabeth "Betty" J. Frizzell.



October 11, 2021 at 01:12 PM



“ our sympathies to the Frizzell family. she was a fun woman to be around with.

John&Christiane Lsnctot

john lanctot - October 10, 2021 at 02:24 PM

LT

“ I went to C A !nd graduated 🎓 with Betty. We list touch for many years be reconnected in around 2003 when I c a me to visit my brother- John Forbez. Has many visits with her. Whe she was in Concord Hospital I went to visit her. She fl asleep while I was talking!!!! Guess I had a monotone voice. Sorry for the loss of a friend. Sympathies to her family.

Lillian(Forbes) Thibeault - October 09, 2021 at 07:12 AM

BS

“ Betty and her family have been very closely linked to mine since before her birth. When I was little, her family and mine were one hop apart over the alley between our rear roof and her back porch. Her mother and mine were great friends. Her mother was my godmother, and her sister Audrey was my first babysitter. Betty was the popular high school cheerleader/basketball player that I idolized. And then she married into the family of some of my best friends and neighbors! She also worked for my parents for years.

Every time I came “home” to Colebrook, I tried to have at least a short visit with her. She invariably brightened my day. Unfortunately due to Covid I haven’t been able to visit the past year and a half. Not getting to have a chat with Betty was my loss.

Knowing that she is gone saddens me greatly. However, she is not really gone. She lives on in her extensive family that is woven into the fabric of Colebrook and the surrounding area. But, I will really miss her smile and her laugh.

Bonnie Gifford Stevenson

Bonnie Gifford Stevenson - October 08, 2021 at 04:07 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Elizabeth "Betty" J. Frizzell.



October 08, 2021 at 10:46 AM



“ Tim, Tom and Jon and families. Sorry for your loss, your Mom was a friend to all and always willing to help and share. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you all.
Odette and Harland

Odette Crawford - October 07, 2021 at 08:18 AM



“ To the Frizzell family we are sorry for your loss. Betty was a fun person to be around and was always up for a friendly chat and lots of laughs. She had the biggest smile ever and quite the twinkle in her eyes. May all your memories bring you comfort. Sharon & Cliff Glover

Sharon Glover - October 06, 2021 at 10:46 PM



“ Tom, Jonathan, Tim and families, so very sorry for your loss. Betty was a wonderful lady in everyway. I enjoyed talking to her when we were up north and stayed at Hotel Jane's!! Think of all the memories you have, so very precious. Love the Bissonnette Family



Cindy Bissonnette - October 05, 2021 at 10:54 AM



“ *I have great memories of my high school years at the Frizzell home. Betty always welcomed me with a big smile. She was always interested in my family and our well-being. She truly had a very caring heart. My heartfelt condolences to the Frizzell family. - Bob, Amber, and Ryker Mills*

Bob Mills - October 03, 2021 at 08:07 AM

RJ

“ *My deepest sympathies to the Frizzell Family. Betty was to me like a ray of sunshine that could always make you feel warm and welcome in her world. When she spoke of her family she would always have a smile on her face and you could just feel the love behind it. Dearest Betty you were one of a kind and will never be forgotten by those who knew you. RIP my friend.*

Rita Johnson - October 02, 2021 at 02:06 PM

SS

“ *To the Frizzell Family We were so sorry to hear about Betty. She was a special lady and would have a smile on her face and ready for a friendly chat even when she was in high school. Always loved chatting with her. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

Zane & Shirley Burrill Stuart

Shirley & Zane Stuart - October 02, 2021 at 11:33 AM

DT

“ Dear family, I was a classmate of Betty's and a student of Marguerite Wiswell. We played girls basketball all through high school. On game nights I would go home with Betty for a quick meal (tomato soup and grilled cheese sandwiches. A life long friend. To her children living on Covells corner-a special thank for watching over my parents (Roger and Carolyn Covell for so many years--Doris Covell Tirrill

Doris Tirrill - October 01, 2021 at 08:12 PM

LP

“ John, Tom, Tim and families,
So sorry for the loss of your mom. She always had a good word to say and a smile on her lips and a twinkle in her eyes. May all your memories you shared bring you comfort. Always enjoyed running into her. Our sincere sympathies to you all from Larry and I and the Dupont family.

Linda and Larry Pryor - October 01, 2021 at 05:03 PM

DA

“ Mrs. F always a smile and a hello she was like a mom always asking how I was? Sorry to hear this.

Dan - October 01, 2021 at 03:25 PM

ST

“ My heartfelt condolences. Betty was another beacon of light in Colebrook, a familiar happy face with time to give a warm chat no matter where you saw her. My Dad loved Betty his classmates and class of 55 cousin. May the memories comfort the family.
Fondly,
Stephanie J. Hughes-Cross

steph - October 01, 2021 at 03:20 PM

FC

“ Our sympathy to you Peggy Moon for the loss of your aunt Elizabeth “Betty” Jane Frizzell, also to all the family & friends.



Francine & Andre Champagne - October 01, 2021 at 01:29 PM

JF

“ Jana Sierad & Family lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Betty" J. Frizzell



Jana Sierad & Family - October 01, 2021 at 12:39 PM

LO

“ To the Frizzell Boys & family, Thinking of all of you in the loss of your Mom, with heartfelt sympathy as we remember a life so very well-lived. We always enjoyed our visits with her. The friendly smile, updates of the town news, a few jokes, sharing CA stories and growing up in C-o-l-e-b-r-o-o-k (for Gram) Our prayers are with you. Lee & Monique Owen

Lee Owen - October 01, 2021 at 11:28 AM

EH

“ Betty always had a smile and twinkle in her eye when she talked and always was interested in what was happening to everyone she came in contact with. Growing up I spent so much time at her house she was almost a second mother to me. Hopefully now she is at rest and peace. Condolences to the boys and the family.

Eric C Hughes - October 01, 2021 at 10:31 AM

EB

“ Eric Brungot lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Betty" J. Frizzell



Eric Brungot - October 01, 2021 at 09:50 AM

KP

“ Katie, Shawn & Madison Parker lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Betty" J. Frizzell



Katie, Shawn & Madison Parker - September 30, 2021 at 08:34 PM

SM

“ Our deepest sympathy to all the families.
Sue and Fred

Sue Miller - September 30, 2021 at 06:35 PM

NF

“ Betty was a favorite cousin and did we laugh when we got together. Had a lot of fun with her in Cancun with Linda and gals. She had the nicest smile and shared it with everyone throughout her life. X0, Cuz Nancy Hughes Field

Nancy H Field - September 30, 2021 at 06:26 PM

CB

“ Although I have been away from Colebrook for many years, a stop at Betty’s was always included in any visit. We talked about our youth and laughed about many wonderful memories of basketball and cheerleading, deeds and misdeeds. She was always full of news, laughter and funny stories. Betty was a real treasure and friend.

Carol Berry

Carol Covell Berry - September 30, 2021 at 06:03 PM

HH

“ Our deepest condolences go out to Tim, Tom, Jonathan, and families on your loss.

Haven Haynes - September 30, 2021 at 04:08 PM

LB

“ Tim, Tom & Jon,
So sorry to hear about your Mom! She was the greatest! She was so proud of her family!
Prayers and thoughts go out to you and your families during this difficult time.

Lisa, Michael, Nicholas & Katelyn Bouchard

Lisa Bouchard - September 30, 2021 at 03:31 PM

GJ

“ I've many nice memories of time spent with Betty at church, etc. My thoughts and prayers go out to her family.

Ginger Jannenga

Ginger Jannenga - September 30, 2021 at 02:51 PM

RB

“ Roger And Bonnie Brousseau lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Betty" J. Frizzell



Roger and Bonnie Brousseau - September 30, 2021 at 01:17 PM

RB

Betty was a great co-worker and friend to all she encountered. She had a calming, subtle smile that always could be seen in a room. She will surely be missed by friends and family alike but she will always be remembered by all of us lucky enough to have known her. Rest in peace my friend. Bonnie & Roger Brousseau

Roger and Bonnie Brousseau - September 30, 2021 at 01:22 PM

RR

“ So sorry for your loss. She was such a sweet and happy person. Always made us smile.

Rosemary and Gerard Riemdeau - September 30, 2021 at 01:11 PM

KA

“ The best Auntie anyone could ever ask for. Too many memories to pick just one, but they were all filled with laughter and love...Fly high with the angels, I will treasure my memories forever. Love Kathy 💕



kathy - September 30, 2021 at 12:12 PM

RT

“ My sincere condolences to her family. I remember her fondly and hope that you all find comfort in knowing how many lives she touched in such a positive way.

Ray Thivierge - September 30, 2021 at 11:43 AM

RV

“ Sincere condolences to you Tom and your family for the lost of your mother .
Regards.
Richard Vallee



Richard Vallee - September 30, 2021 at 11:38 AM

JM

“ Our sincerest condolences to the Frizzel family. You have lost a very nice lady and we are sure you all will miss her immensely.
RIP Betty.

John and Sue Morrissey - September 30, 2021 at 11:11 AM

HH

“ Betty was one of my favorite moms (of many) growing up in Colebrook. Her sweet smile and positive greetings toward me at St. Brendan's church, sporting events or teenager meet ups at her house are fondly remembered. She always brought warmth to my heart. My deepest sympathy to the Frizzell family for the loss of a sweet lady.

Heather Hulse - September 30, 2021 at 10:45 AM

JC

“ Jan Phil Corliss lit a candle in memory of Elizabeth "Betty" J. Frizzell



Jan Phil Corliss - September 30, 2021 at 10:23 AM

JC

Jon, Tim & Tom - So sorry to see this. Keeping you all in our thoughts at this difficult time.

Jan Phil Corliss - September 30, 2021 at 10:25 AM

JM

My sincere sympathy to the familyI have many good memories when working with Betty ..she had always a big smile Jeanne Masson

jeanne masson - September 30, 2021 at 12:40 PM

MG

Our deepest sympathy to Betty's entire family. She was a very special lady. We will miss her. Mike and Melanie Gray

Melanie Gray - September 30, 2021 at 01:41 PM

RC

Betty was a best friend for life. Whenever we met we picked up where we left off-no matter the time between. One of the original ISPA gals, we shared many laughs, the ups and downs of life, always there for each other. Family first, Don, her rock, and vise-versa. A life well-lived, a hole in our hearts. She prepares the way. Love and Prayers to her beloved family. Ruth & Les Covell

Ruth Covell - October 01, 2021 at 01:31 PM

SM

Sending my most sincere condolences to Tim, Tom, Jon and their families on the loss of a very special lady, their mom! Met Betty, Don, Tim & Tom 57 yrs. ago when we became neighbors on East Road in Clarksburg, MA. Betty was more like another sister to me ever since. We got to share in each others family events and spent very special times together especially at Lancaster Fair. Her special friendship will forever be with me and I cherish the many fond memories our families made together. Until we meet again..... God Bless!

Sharron A. Mirke - October 10, 2021 at 05:07 PM