



James M. Johnston

May 5, 1941 - May 2, 2012

COLEBROOK, NH—James M. Johnston of Colebrook, NH, passed away on Wednesday afternoon, May 2, 2012, at the Hanover Terrace Healthcare facility in Hanover, NH, just 3 days short of his 71st birthday, and after a prolonged period of declining health.

He was born in Winchester, Conn., on May 5, 1941, a son to the late James L. and Virginia (Volpe) Johnston. He was educated in Connecticut, and lived there until 1971 when he moved to Colebrook.

Jim worked for many years at the Tillotson Rubber Co. in Dixville. He loved detailing his cars, trucks, and his motorcycle. He also loved to play his electric guitar to the sounds of “Deep Purple,” and he was a fan of science fiction movies and television. Jim loved to take day trips with his friends and his brother, Jack, on their motorcycles.

He leaves behind his wife, Pheobe (Hartwell) Johnston of Colebrook; his three daughters, Jayne Newcombe and husband Richard of Colebrook, Jamie Godbout and husband Luke of Berlin, NH, and Ginny Johnston of Colebrook; his brother, Jack Johnston and wife Cathy of Colebrook; three grandchildren, Lucas Johnston and partner Jessie Dagesse, Sara Newcombe of Colebrook, and Cameron Broad of Errol; his great-granddaughter, Aliyah Johnston; and one who he considered as a member of the family and was very close to, who

he also called his “birthday cake,” Lynn Gelinas.

At Jim’s specific request, there are no public calling hours or services.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Mr. Johnston may be made to the Two Rivers Ride for Cancer, c/o Rosemary Mulliken at the 1st Colebrook Bank, 132 Main St., Colebrook, NH 03576.

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

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

Tribute Wall



“ I just want to express my deepest sympathy to JJ's family. I will always remember the great motorcycle rides we had. You will be deeply missed. May you ride high in heaven my friend!!!
Brenda Klebe

May 13, 2012 at 05:04 PM



“ Phoebe,
So sorry to hear of Jim's passing. My thoughts are with you and your family.
Barbara McKinnon (Tombstone, AZ)

May 11, 2012 at 03:07 PM



“ I remember all the good times we had.
So sorry about your loss. Jim will be always remembered in my heart.
Pat Yost (Yogi's Cafe)

May 04, 2012 at 09:12 PM