



## Jonathan K. Howe

March 14, 1949 - July 2, 2023

PITTSBURG – Jonathan K. Howe (74) of Pittsburg passed away peacefully following a long illness on Sunday, July 2, 2023, in Lebanon, N.H.

Jon, who garnered many nicknames throughout his life including Grampy, Old Man River, and A.D. (for awesome dad) was born to Parkman and Helen (McIntosh) Howe on March 14th, 1949, in Laconia, N.H. Jon grew up in Gilford, N.H., graduated from the Holderness School where he played hockey, and then attended UNH. In 1973 he moved to North Conway to raise his family with his first wife Polly Clapp Howe. He worked for Thaddeus Thorne Surveys in Conway where he learned the trade of land surveying. He later founded his own surveying business, Ammonoosuc Survey Company, in 1989. Jon was an avid skier and fly-fisherman, both of which he had learned from his mother Helen. He worked at Attitash ski area for many years, teaching others how to ski, including his two daughters. He also spent time working for North Country Angler where he taught fly casting and fly tying. He became a New Hampshire fishing guide in the mid-1990s and cherished his time taking folks fishing on the Androscoggin and Connecticut Rivers; many of his clients became good friends.

Jon met the love of his life, Cindy Caron, in August of 1997 and moved to Pittsburg in 2000. They later married in a private ceremony in April of 2002. While in Pittsburg he continued his trade of guided fly-fishing trips and

teaching fly casting, and also became an accomplished fly tyer. He enjoyed the peace and tranquility of the North Country and was able to travel to Alaska, Montana, Patagonia, Belize and other locations with Cindy to explore and fish the many waters of the world. Jon's passion for fishing had him involved with the Saco Valley Anglers Association, Pittsburg Anglers Association, as well as serving as a director for the NH Wildlife Federation.

Those who knew him will remember Jon's sincere kindness and wonderful sense of humor. He loved spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren. He never missed a family gathering, and could often be seen on the dance floor with his family celebrating the many weddings of his children, nieces, and nephews.

He is survived by his wife Cindy (Caron) Howe of Pittsburg; his two daughters, Abi (Hastillo) Cavazos (husband Joe and grandchildren Gunnar and Adella) of Nassau, N.Y., and Kate Richardson (husband Gregg and grandson Sam) of North Conway; step-son Michael Sullivan (wife Molly and grandchildren Stephanie and Charlie) of St. Peters, MO; and his siblings and their families: Parkman Howe (wife Melinda Lindquist) of Carlisle, MA, Andrew Howe (wife Martina) of Gilford, Sarah Howe-Cobb (husband Mike Cobb) of Augusta, MT, and Barbara Howe (husband Jim Hunt) of Helena, MT.

Jon's family extends their heartfelt thanks to the wonderful nurses and doctors at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center and the Jack Byrne Center for Palliative Care & Hospice who took such good care of him and provided great compassion to his family during his illness and in his final days on this Earth.

His family will hold calling hours on Friday, July 14, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook, N.H. A celebration of life is planned for later in the year.

Expressions of sympathy in his memory may be made to Stable Connections (<https://stableconnections.com/donate>), or the Janet Thompson Scholarship (<https://www.sacovalleytu.com/janet-thompson-memorial-scholarship>), or an organization of your choice. If that's not possible, head on out to a river and cast a line in Jon's memory.

Condolences may be offered to the family on-line by going to [www.jenkinsnewman.com](http://www.jenkinsnewman.com).

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 14. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home  
103 Main Street  
Colebrook, NH

# Tribute Wall



“ *a tender moment on the Missouri*



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**rick gerber** - July 13, 2023 at 10:18 AM



“ *Jon a great man spent many good times whilst at UNH and at the Everglades in Durham - pic is Jon heading for fishing on the the East Branch of the Nulhegan River Bloomfield VT - early 1970's - week end get together w friends - I remember his gracious personality and passion for life well*



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**Tom Norcott** - July 12, 2023 at 01:51 PM

DA

“ I was fortunate to spend many years living just across the road at the Howe farm. From playing in the sand box together, to our first jobs as blueberry rakers, to roaming the fields, woods and lakes of Gilford just being kids, Jon was always a great friend ... kind, dependable, generous. Decades later, when he moved to North Conway, coincidentally living right across the road again, he was the same old friend ... loaning me gear for a trip to Nunavut, bono survey work, etc. The wild side of Jon will be missed as well. So many fond memories!  
Doug Armstrong

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**Doug Armstrong** - July 10, 2023 at 09:27 AM

BT

“ I was fortunate to have known Jon at Holderness. When I moved to the MWV with my family, we reconnected. It was then that he taught our daughters skiing, an experience they continue to rave about. His quiet, positive, good natured attitude made them feel special. His approach with his 'sports' fishing was just the same. And, his excitement for catching fish was infectious, something that I enjoyed. One evening after he closed the shop for the day, Jon and I went to Mountain Pond in my guide boat. I caught a brookie on a wooly bugger, recommended by Jon. It was probably 12" long, but Jon told all of his friends and customers of my 21" catch. His enthusiasm was captivating and will be missed by all.  
Bob Tilney

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**Bob Tilney** - July 10, 2023 at 08:23 AM

 Lisa Savard

“ So many good times - Pittsburg, Montana, Belize. Brown trout to Bloody Marys, laughing until it hurt, surviving a hell ride to look at John Elway's property with PC, drinking "panty rippers", eating at Rosie's, Izaak's, and so many other cool spots, cheering on the Go, Go, Gonad's, and so much more. Jon, your gift of friendship has enriched us both. We'll meet again. But not yet.



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**Lisa Savard** - July 08, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jonathan K. Howe.



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July 08, 2023 at 05:44 PM

RT

“ Life provides us the opportunity to meet many people, some of whom are givers and some of whom are takers. When you were with Jon Howe, you were in the presence of someone who exemplified the term ‘giver.’ Jon made the people around him feel special because in Jon’s world, people mattered. I will be forever grateful that my life’s path led me to an entry level fly-fishing course at Joe Dodge Lodge where I met Jon so many years ago. Being a gifted and patient instructor, Jon taught me the intricacies of fly-fishing which I am still working on to this day. But more importantly, Jon taught me the true meaning of ‘friendship.’ Jon has shown us the value of meaningful relationships, and the importance of being a ‘giver’ rather than a ‘taker.’ Let us follow in his path and make this world a better place in his memory. Thank you for your friendship, Jon!!!

*Roger Turcotte*

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roger turcotte - July 07, 2023 at 06:06 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Jonathan K. Howe.



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July 06, 2023 at 11:46 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jonathan K. Howe.

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July 06, 2023 at 11:46 AM

JB

“ My heart and prayers go to you Cindy and the whole family. John was a great man, was always willing to help out. He was such a kind man. R.I.P. John.

Judith Boutin - July 06, 2023 at 07:59 AM



“ Sweet Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Jonathan K. Howe.



July 05, 2023 at 08:13 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jonathan K. Howe.

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“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Jonathan K. Howe.



July 05, 2023 at 08:11 PM



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“ *Please accept my sincere condolences Cindy.  
I am so very sorry for your loss.*

*Thinking of you and your family  
Debbie Bonenfant*



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**Debbie Bonenfant** - July 05, 2023 at 05:29 PM

BD

“ *Dear Abi and family-  
As I read these beautiful messages about your dear dad, it reminds me of the car ride Abi and I took together to Boston. She told me about her dad and I told her about mine. We both smiled and agreed how fortunate we are to have been raised and nurtured by such good men.  
May his beautiful memory always be alive and bright in your hearts. I've never seen a smile quite as radiant as his. 🕊️  
With love and peace,  
Beth DeAngelis*

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**Beth DeAngelis** - July 05, 2023 at 02:12 PM

CS

“ *Jonathan was one of the kindest, sweetest men I ever knew. He always, and I mean always, greeted you with a smile and great warmth. I feel extremely lucky to have known him and been able to spend time with him during the early years when we were all getting married and starting our families.  
My heart goes out to his dear family...the world is a little less bright without him in it.*

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**Carol Shea** - July 05, 2023 at 01:52 PM



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July 05, 2023 at 08:22 AM



“ *Laughing, a lot of laughing and joy while sharing something we both loved doing. And the steadiness, the calmness, and the incredible amount of patience the man had. Jon was an amazing friend that always made you better and more happy for the time you spent with him.*

*Cindy,  
Bless you, my friend for all that you did for Jon throughout your lives together. He could not have had a better person by his side.*

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**Ed Hermenau** - July 05, 2023 at 07:14 AM



“ *Mary ellen S. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jonathan K. Howe.*



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**Mary ellen S.** - July 04, 2023 at 04:39 PM

AC

“ *Cindy: May your memories of one of the nicest guys that I have ever met always bring a smile to your face and warmth to your heart. I pray that he and Brett find great waters to fish and even greater stories to tell. Love, Annie Chambers*

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**Annie Chambers** - July 04, 2023 at 04:17 PM

JH

“ *John Tomasko And Judi Hanson lit a candle in memory of Jonathan K. Howe*



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**john tomasko and judi hanson** - July 04, 2023 at 04:03 PM