



Leonard D. Martel

April 30, 1942 - May 28, 2025

COLEBROOK – Leonard D. Martel, 83, of Colebrook, died at the Country Village Healthcare Center in Lancaster on Wednesday, May 28, 2025, after a recent period of declining health.

He was born in Errol on April 30, 1942, a son to the late Camille and Ida (Jordan) Martel. He attended school until the 7th grade in Errol and his family then moved to Colebrook. Leonard was a 1961 graduate of Colebrook Academy. A short time after high school, Leonard enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and served honorably for 4 years. He worked as a mechanic on B-52 bombers and was stationed in Bangor, Maine.

Upon his return home following his military service, Lenny married Arlene Neary, and they raised their family in Colebrook. He worked for many years as a plumber, for Carrier Plumbing & Heating, Daniel Hebert Plumbing & Heating, was a self-employed plumber for 10 years with his own business, L.Martel Plumbing & Heating, and later as plant engineer at the Coös County Nursing Hospital and House of Corrections, from which he retired. He was also served on the Colebrook Fire Department for 20 years.

Lenny loved to be outdoors, whether it be hunting and fishing, ice-fishing, snowmobiling or maple sugaring in the late winter. His favorite places were his camp in Dixville and later Lake Umbagog, and being at home, with family time

being very important. He was most happy when talking and being with his family

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Arlene (Neary) Martel of Colebrook; two sons, Paul (Patricia) Martel of Jefferson, and Mark (Tracy) Martel of Fairlee, Vt.; a brother, Linwood Martel of Williston, Vt.; four grandchildren, Todd (Collette) Martel, Troy (Dawn) Martel, Noah Martel and Isaac Martel; and a great-granddaughter, Tegan Martel.

Leonard is pre-deceased by a brother, Camille Martel, and a sister, Minnie Egan.

There are no public calling hours. A graveside service with military honors will be held on Saturday, July 12, 2025, at 10 a.m. in the Colebrook Village Cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Mr. Martel may be made to the Colebrook Fire Department, P.O. Box 273, Colebrook, NH 03576.

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

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

Cemetery Details

Colebrook Village Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUL 12. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Colebrook, NH

Tribute Wall

MN

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I worked with Lenny at CCNH. I have a lot of good memories of him. He was a good man.

Marie Noyes - June 02, 2025 at 09:07 AM

EB

“ Eric Brungot lit a candle in memory of Leonard D. Martel



Eric Brungot - June 02, 2025 at 07:42 AM

LM

“ I still recall the trips up Monadnock Mountain for an overnight stay in the CCC built camp, in the mid 1950's, with Lenny, Scott Smith, & other childhood friends.
Leo MacKinnon

Leo MacKinnon - June 01, 2025 at 08:43 AM

MP

“ Arlene, I remember you both. My condolences on the loss of Lenny.
Marjorie Abbott Palmer

Marjorie Abbott Palmer - June 01, 2025 at 08:16 AM

JF

“ R.I.P. Lenny. Let us know what you see for buck sign up there, and we'll compare notes again someday.

Jon Frizzell - June 01, 2025 at 04:27 AM

JC

“ So sorry to hear of Leonard's passing.

Jane Cross - May 31, 2025 at 11:28 AM

RD

“ So sorry for your loss

Richard Dagesse - May 31, 2025 at 08:59 AM

ME

“ Deepest sympathies Arlene and family. Leonard was one of the greatest...his knowledge and wisdom was remarkable to me. He could definitely tell a story that always made me smile. All my love
Mel

Melony - May 30, 2025 at 10:16 PM