



## Leonie Riendeau

October 30, 1915 - July 3, 2021

WEST STEWARTSTOWN – Leonie Laura Riendeau, 105, of Colebrook, passed away peacefully on Saturday, July 3, 2021, at the Coos County Nursing Hospital in West Stewartstown.

She was born at home in East Hereford, Que., on Oct. 30, 1915, the first-born daughter to the late Emmaneul and Rosa (Adams) Beloin. With three sisters and ten brothers, Leonie grew up fast, learning to cook, clean and care for her siblings. Due to the responsibility of being the eldest daughter, Leonie was only able to complete a sixth-grade education. She attended secondary school for a short time in Paquetteville, Que., but was needed at home to help with the chores. Her family owned a dairy farm and a logging business, and they would take wood to the mill first by horse and later by truck. In the winter, the family took turns going to church on Sundays because the sleigh was not large enough to accommodate all of them.

On Aug. 26, 1939, she married Philip Leon Riendeau, son of Rosa (Duranleau) and Moise Riendeau of Hereford Hills, Que. They bought a dairy farm south of the village where their first five children were born. In 1947, they bought the Corbett Farm on South Hill in Colebrook, and were later blessed with four more children over the next several years. Her youngest brother, George, also came to live with them and attended school in Colebrook.

In 1960, they left the dairy farm and bought a house on the corner of Parsons and Pleasant Streets in Colebrook where the Mohawk River ran below their home to the mill located at the foot of Cooper Hill. It was at this time that they also became U.S. citizens and Leonie learned to drive which she was proud to do. Later in her life she would pick up her friends every day and drive them all to the local Senior Meals.

For many years, she worked at the Colebrook Country Club which was next door to her home. When the Hebert family owned and operated the club, they promoted her to be manager of the housekeeping staff and she continued to work at the club well in her 80s. She continued to be very independent until failing health necessitated a move to the Coos County Nursing Hospital in 2008.

Leonie loved her family, friends and her flower gardens. There was always something to eat when the family gathered together and her most famous dish was the Canadian Cream Cake.

She is survived by her nine children: Robert Riendeau of Brookline, N.H., Donald (Denise) Riendeau of Rhode Island, Raoul (Beth) Riendeau of Colebrook, Gaston 'Jack' (Sandra) Riendeau of Colebrook, Pauline (William) Weir of Colebrook, Luc Riendeau of Colebrook, Yolande (Phil) Dauphinais of Colebrook, Guy (Celeste) Riendeau of Colebrook, and Micheline (Tom) Brooks of Colebrook; two brothers, George and Ernest Beloin of Quebec; 28 grandchildren, 44 great-grandchildren and 6 great-great grandchildren; as well as countless cousins, nieces and nephews.

Leonie is predeceased by her husband of 37 years, Philip, in 1976, as well as 8 brothers and 3 sisters.

There are no public calling hours. A memorial Mass will be held on Friday,

July 23, 2021, at 11 a.m. at St. Brendan's Catholic Church in Colebrook, with interment to immediately follow at St. Brendan's Cemetery.

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

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

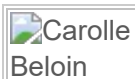
# Previous Events

## Memorial Mass

JUL **23**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Brendan's Catholic Church  
55 Pleasant St  
Colebrook, NH 03576  
(603) 237-4342

# Tribute Wall

 Carolle  
Beloin

“ *Beaucoup de bons souvenirs me reviennent quand je pense à tante Léonie. Mes sympathies à toute la famille.* ”



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**Carolle Beloin** - July 16, 2021 at 11:17 AM

CB

“ *Sincere condolences to the family of ma tante Léonie. Que de beaux souvenirs avec elle et mes cousins et cousines! Je pense à vous.* ”

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**Claudette Beloin** - July 15, 2021 at 10:38 PM

LB

“ *Riendeau Family,  
Prayers and thoughts go out to you and your families during this difficult time.  
Lisa, Michael, Katelyn & Nicholas Bouchard* ”

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**Lisa Bouchard** - July 15, 2021 at 10:34 AM

JC

“ *Keeping the Riendeau family in my thoughts and prayers.* ”



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**Jan Corliss** - July 14, 2021 at 08:11 AM

SC

“ Condolences to the family of Léonie. Sister Yvette Beloin was very fond of her "big" sister and I had the privilege of driving her to Colebrook a few times to be with Léonie or other family celebrations. May she rest in peace and enjoy being reunited with so many loved ones in her new eternal home. Sister Monique Couture, FCSCJ (now missioned at our Generalate in France).

Sister Monique Couture - July 13, 2021 at 03:00 PM

CB

“ My deepest sympathy for your loss

colette bellows - July 13, 2021 at 11:23 AM

DC

“ What a strong woman the world has just lost. I remember in my teen years, thinking how focused she was at doing what she did best, being a Mom. I guess I saw that in my Mom too and that is why I recognized it in her. You were all blessed to have her as your Mom.  
Denise Beloin Chase

Denise Chase - July 13, 2021 at 10:05 AM

LP

“ Bons souvenirs de tante Léonie et toujours son beau sourire.  
Condoléances à la famille.

Lucien et Patricia - July 13, 2021 at 08:54 AM

LB

“ Que de beaux souvenirs d'enfance marraine. Repose en paix et retrouve les parents et amis qui ont façonné ta vie sur terre.

Lisette Beloin - July 13, 2021 at 07:54 AM

CB

“ My condolences to Micheline and Tom along with the rest of the family of Leonie. You all were very blessed to have her for so long. She was blessed to see so many members of her family. My thoughts and prayers are with you.



Cindy Brigham - July 12, 2021 at 09:22 PM

C5

“ Deepest sympathy to the family, I loved working with Meme at the Country Club, she taught me so much. She will be missed by all who knew her.

Carol 5 - July 12, 2021 at 11:12 AM

AR

“ Condoléances à toute la famille. Annette Marquis Robidas

Annette Marquis Robidas - July 12, 2021 at 09:19 AM

KB

“ My heartfelt condolences to all the family. May your memories see you through

Kim Bennett - July 11, 2021 at 06:17 PM

JB

“ Michelin and Tom, I am so sorry to hear of your Mother's passing. My heart goes out to you and the family. I know how you feel. Remember all the beautiful holidays and times you shared. Much love and sympathy to you and your family. Judy Brooks

Judith Brooks - July 11, 2021 at 02:01 PM

CC

*Michelin and Tom, my condolences to you and your family for the loss of your mom. She certainly had a long and Good life*

**Casey and Selina Clark** - July 12, 2021 at 10:03 AM

JB

*My condolences on the passing of your mother. Your mom was my godmother, and it was important for me. I sympathise with your lost.*

**Julien-M. R. Beloin** - July 12, 2021 at 04:11 PM

BJ

*Mes plus sincères condoléances à toute la famille pour le décès de Léonie Beloin Riendeau.  
Jacqueline Beloin.*

**Beloin Jacqueline** - July 12, 2021 at 07:16 PM

MB

*Mes sympathies à toute la famille*

**Mario Beloin** - July 12, 2021 at 10:27 PM

SD

*Our deepest sympathy to the family. I did not know Leonie however I did know Sister Yvette Beloin. Please know that the Daughters of the Charity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus of the USA Delegation have entered Leonie in their Prayer intentions and will remember her in this way. Sister Juanita Durgin, FCSCJ, Delegate.*

**Sister Juanita Durgin** - July 15, 2021 at 11:12 AM

JB

“ *My deepest condolences to the Riendeau family. I am so sorry for your loss.* ”



**Judy Hunt Budge** - July 11, 2021 at 01:33 PM

JN

“ So sorry for everyone's loss!

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**Jeanette & Jeff Noyes** - July 11, 2021 at 12:26 PM

WN

“ Our sincere condolences to all the family. Rest in peace ma tante Leonie

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**Walter & Suzelle Noyes** - July 10, 2021 at 09:04 PM

JB

“ Mes sympathies à toute la famille.  
Johanne Beloin

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**Johanne Beloin** - July 10, 2021 at 08:55 PM

CF

“ My sincerest condolences to Jack and Sandra and families.

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**Carolyn Foss** - July 10, 2021 at 08:37 AM

FC

“ Our sympathy to all the family. She is with all her friends and loved ones.



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**Francine & Andre Champagne** - July 09, 2021 at 02:09 PM

JF

“ *Jim And Lilly Ferraro lit a candle in memory of Leonie Riendeau*



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**Jim and Lilly Ferraro** - July 09, 2021 at 11:27 AM

JF

*I will never forget your compassion and kindness, God Bless you, Matante...*

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**Jim and Lilly Ferraro** - July 09, 2021 at 11:31 AM

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*Sincere condolences to my cousins and your families. May she rest in peace and give you comfort that she is now with uncle Philippe.*

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**Therese Lemieux Tetreault** - July 10, 2021 at 06:31 AM

CB

*Sincere condolences à vous tous de la famille de ma tante Léonie. J'ai la chance d'avoir partagé de beaux et joyeux souvenir avec elle et vous tous chers cousins.*

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**Claudette Beloin** - July 15, 2021 at 10:28 PM