



Lewis 'Chewy' D. Sweatt

November 9, 1956 - May 19, 2026

MILLSFIELD – Lewis 'Chewy' Sweatt, 69, of Millsfield, died at his home surrounded by his family on Tuesday, May 19, 2026.

He was born on Nov. 9, 1956, in W. Stewartstown, the son of the late Hartley and Etta (Raymond) Sweatt. He was a 1974 graduate of Colebrook Academy. Following graduation Chewy attended White Mountain Community College in Berlin. There he obtained an associate degree in Electrical Technology, and he later obtained his license as a Master Electrician.

After graduating from college, he began working at The Balsams Grand Resort Hotel. Although Chewy was the Master Electrician for the resort, he wore many hats. He was the sole technician for Dixville Telephone Co., assisted with elevator maintenance under Pine State Elevator Co., and he became CAT-5 certified to keep the computer systems up and running. He retired after 32 years due to a progressive battle with cerebellum ataxia.

Chewy's passion was farming at the Clear Stream Farm in Millsfield, his family's legacy farm. The farm had been passed down through the generations since 1836. Under Chewy's guidance, the farm maintained a Hereford freezer beef operation until branching out to a split herd of Belted Galloway and Hereford so his children had a diverse experience showing livestock at the Lancaster Fair.

Chewy was a lifetime 4-H member, a FFA member, and later a NH Farm Bureau officer.

Some of his favorite things to do were to attend annual fairs. The Fryeburg Fair was his favorite place to be. He and his family would take the whole week off and stay in their RV at the fair campground. Another of his favorite past-times was to go on what he called "farm tours," which meant that if he needed to pick up tractor parts in Derby, Vt., it was an entire day affair with side trips consisting of following farm vehicles to various fields that were being planted or harvested.

Family and friends were most important to Chewy. If a fellow farmer needed assistance in any area, he was willing to help. When family needed assistance in lighting theater trucks or electric ceiling fans, he was available. Most of all he was very proud of his children, Amelia and David. They harvest hay and work cattle together to keep the farm operational. As children, there were many adventures of 4-H shooting sports and dance recitals.

Chewy is survived by his wife of 30 years, Paula (McCowen) Sweatt; his daughter Amelia Sweatt and son David Sweatt all of Millsfield; his sister-in-law, Jane Abbott Sweatt of New London, N.H.; three nephews, Scott and Peter Sweatt, and Mark Hickey; a niece, Laurie Bernier; as well as many cousins.

He is predeceased by his brother Lorence Sweatt and sister Reta Hickey.

Calling hours will be on Friday, June 5, 2026, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook. A funeral will be held the next morning, Saturday, June 6, 11 a.m., at the Errol Congregational Church. Burial will immediately follow in the Errol Village Cemetery.

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

man.com.

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

Cemetery Details

Errol Cemetery

Errol, NH

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 5. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home
103 Main Street
Colebrook, NH

Funeral Service

JUN 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

Errol Congregational Church
NH Route 26
Errol, NH

Tribute Wall

CR

“ My sympathy to the Sweatt family. I recall "Chewy" being part of the maintenance team and always willing to help ... with a smile.

Cindy Roy - June 05 at 08:12 PM

BM

“ Bob and Ryker Mills purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Lewis 'Chewy' D. Sweatt.



Bob and Ryker Mills - June 02 at 11:53 AM



“ Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." was purchased for the family of Lewis 'Chewy' D. Sweatt.



June 02 at 08:33 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lewis 'Chewy' D. Sweatt.

June 02 at 08:33 AM

MR

“ *Maria Virginia Riendeau lit a candle in memory of Lewis 'Chewy' D. Sweatt*



Maria Virginia Riendeau - May 21 at 06:15 PM

JB

“ *So sorry for your loss Laurie*

John Bolton - May 21 at 09:31 AM

CT

“ *Paula and family. Roger and I send our condolences to you and your family.
Chewy was the nicest and kindest man . Prayers for you and your family.
Roger and Carol Tremblay*

Carol Tremblay - May 21 at 08:46 AM

TR

“ *Paula and family, I have such vivid memories of Chewy that will forever be with me. Starting when we all worked at the Balsams together, to being the Maid of Honor at your wedding, to visiting at the farm back when Etta & Hartley were living. I'm sure you're at peace with your parents. God Bless*

Tina Reynolds - May 20 at 08:45 PM

LL

“ *David Joan and I are so sorry for your loss.*

LORNE and Joan LECLAIRE - May 20 at 07:37 PM

CB

“ *Cindy Brigham lit a candle in memory of Lewis 'Chewy' D. Sweatt*



Cindy Brigham - May 20 at 06:24 PM



“ *Rita Donnell lit a candle in memory of Lewis 'Chewy' D. Sweatt*



Rita Donnell - May 20 at 06:20 PM

DB

“ *So sorry to the family. Norm has many great memories of working and being friends with Chewy. Normand and Debbie Boivin*

Debbie Boivin - May 20 at 06:16 PM

AB

“ *My sincere condolence to the sweat family and friends chewy was a great guy worked with him for many years at the hotel always had a story to tell. Angel Brown (AB)*

Angel Brown - May 20 at 05:51 PM

DC

“ As a member of the Colebrook Academy Class of 1974, I am deeply saddened by our classmate, Lewis' passing. Our Sincerest Sympathies to his family. May all the wonderful memories you all shared with Lewis help you through this sad time.

Darlene Cote - May 20 at 05:36 PM

CL

“ I remember my husband Dana Lunn when he would come home from work at the Balsams and he would speak about working with Chewy that day. I know he learnt a few things from him.



Cathy Lunn - May 20 at 05:27 PM

DO

“ Chris and I are very sorry for your loss❤️

Deb Osgood - May 20 at 05:22 PM

KB

“ Oh Chewy the years working together and the tales to tell. I treasure the memories and wish you all the best on the other side.

Kim. Buzzy Bennett - May 20 at 04:14 PM