



## Michael H. Brooks

September 17, 1955 - July 21, 2018

MANCHESTER – Michael H. Brooks, 62, of Manchester, NH, and formerly of Colebrook died on Saturday morning, July 21, 2018, at the Elliott Hospital in Manchester from complications of injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

He was born in West Stewartstown, NH, on Sept. 17, 1955, a son of the late Darwin Brooks, Jr., and Agnes (Benoit) Brooks. He attended the local schools in Colebrook and was a 1973 graduate of Colebrook Academy.

Michael worked his entire life in the service industry. He worked for many years at R. Brooks Auto Parts in Colebrook as the Parts Manager. Later he was also employed at Ethan Allen in Beecher Falls, VT, as a Purchaser. He was mostly known for his many years of work as a bartender and waiter in many of the local establishments. Michael was a hard worker with a twisted sense of humor and a huge heart who was always ready to help out anyone. Michael's nature to help people lead him to 4 deployments with FEMA where he could assist those in need. Michael's hard outer shell protected a soft, kind heart.

Michael enjoyed traveling, most times with his brother Stephen. They enjoyed an extended trip to Puerto Vallarta, as well as many stateside trips.

Regardless where he traveled in life, he was always sure to make friends

along the way.

He leaves behind two children, Adam Brooks and Nicole Brooks; three brothers, Norman Brooks, Robert Brooks, and Stephen Brooks; 4 grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was predeceased by his parents, his loving sister, Diane Merrill, and his son Christopher who brought him much joy during his short life.

Michael also shared a special bond with his nephew, Peter Merrill, and his family, and considered Claudia Marchesseault his daughter.

There are no public calling hours. A private graveside committal will be at the convenience of the family.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Mr. Brooks may be made to the Two Rivers Ride for Cancer, c/o R. Mulliken, 53 Spring St., Colebrook, NH 03576.

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

Local funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook.

# Cemetery Details

## **Stewartstown Hollow Cemetery**

NH Route 145  
Stewartstown, NH

# Tribute Wall

CR

“ This is a loss of laughter for everyone who was on the receiving end of one of Mike's comments that were meant to do just that.. make you laugh. Even his passing the memories make me laugh. Here's to the good ole days at the Balsams besides the many other moments. My sympathy goes out to Mike's family and those he loved. Cindy

Cindy Roy - July 27, 2018 at 07:15 PM

BW

“ We are sorry that the world has lost Mike. Brad holds fond memories of FFA trips in high school to southern NH, competing with other schools. Mike had a true love of life and will be missed by all who knew him. Condolences to his family.

Bradley & Monica White - July 27, 2018 at 07:01 AM

RG

“ Robert & Martha Brooks Gadwah sent a virtual gift in memory of Michael H. Brooks



Robert & Martha Brooks Gadwah - July 26, 2018 at 07:41 AM

DC

“ Our sincere sympathies to the family of Michael Brooks. I went to school with Michael and remember him always full of life and smiling whenever we'd see him in the hallways of Colebrook Academy.... Always will remember him in that way. Always Happy! May memories help you all heal at the sad time.....

Darlene Joy Cote - July 26, 2018 at 06:48 AM

DC

*Darlene Klebe Cote*

**Darlene Joy Cote** - July 26, 2018 at 06:48 AM

JO

“ *My deepest condolences to Stephen and family. Prayers for comfort for all.*

**Jessica Oneil** - July 26, 2018 at 06:13 AM



“ *To Stephen and Family, my heartfelt condolences on the loss of Michael. You will be in my thoughts and prayers. Deepest sympathy, Bette Guerin*

**Elizabeth Guerin** - July 25, 2018 at 03:56 PM

MO

“ *To many good times over the years. So glad we kept in contact all these years. Our condolences to his many friends and family.*

**Monda** - July 25, 2018 at 03:41 PM

BM

“ *We had some great time together. You will be missed*

**Barbara McKinnon** - July 25, 2018 at 11:27 AM

BV

“ My deepest sympathies to Mike's family. I was fortunate to have gone to school with and work with Michael. My first memory is of being in Jax Theatre with Michael and Marie Banfill perhaps when we were in Junior High. I will remember him for his sense of humor, hard working ethics, and his warm and true heart. Rest in Peace Michael

*Berta (Gray) Veale*

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**Berta Gray Veale** - July 25, 2018 at 07:38 AM

GR

“ Mikey... I will miss your humor and wit, And I will always remember the good old days when we worked together, We worked so hard but we had so much fun... You were also a very good friend, I always thought I would see you again. My sympathies go out to your family & loved ones...



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**Gail Rouleau** - July 25, 2018 at 06:09 AM

JF

“ Sorry for your loss. Mike was such a nice guy. He will surely be missed.



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**Jennifer Falconer** - July 24, 2018 at 10:06 PM

JG

“ Had the pleasure of working with Michael on a Fema deployment, great guy and funny! Sorry to read about this, prayers to the family.

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**Joey Goyt** - July 24, 2018 at 09:55 PM

DD

“ Thoughts and prayers are with family and friends. Mike was a lot of fun to be around. He will be missed.

DeeDee Davis Dion - July 24, 2018 at 08:30 PM

 Valerie Mahnke

“ Deepest sympathy to the Brooks family. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Mike had such a great sense of humor and a heart of gold. He will definitely be missed.



Valerie Mahnke - July 24, 2018 at 08:14 PM

PS

“ So sorry to hear about your loss our prayers and thoughts are with you norman, Robert and Stephen and families pat and Rebecca prosper

Patrick r prosper Sr - July 24, 2018 at 03:56 PM



“ RIP Mike. We had many wonderful chats over the years you will be missed. I remember a chilly evening in our teen years, you let me use your Jean jacket without hesitation. You always had a kind heart. Fly high my friend.

France Parker - July 24, 2018 at 02:45 PM

LB

“ Stephen and Family,  
So sorry to hear about Mike. He had a wonderful sense of humor!  
Our prayer and thoughts are with you and your family  
Lisa, Michael, Katelyn & Nicholas Bouchard

Lisa Bouchard - July 24, 2018 at 02:05 PM

BC

“ *Adam and Nicole-So sorry to hear of the passing of your Dad. He was always fun to be around. He will be missed.*

**Bridget Cross** - July 24, 2018 at 12:47 PM

FR

“ *Our sincere condolences to all the family. from Francine & Andre Champagne*



**Francine** - July 24, 2018 at 12:46 PM

JS

“ *Jana Sierad lit a candle in memory of Michael H. Brooks*



**Jana Sierad** - July 24, 2018 at 10:09 AM

JS

*You are all in our thoughts and prayers.*

**Jana Sierad** - July 24, 2018 at 10:10 AM

JC

“ *My sincere condolences to the Brooks family. Mike was in the class of "73" and wherever he was you could always hear laughter with his good humor. Underneath all that humor was a hard working person with a heart of gold. Rest in peace Mike*

**Jane Cross** - July 24, 2018 at 09:41 AM

LC

“ *Linda Clogston lit a candle in memory of Michael H. Brooks*



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**Linda Clogston** - July 24, 2018 at 08:36 AM

LC

*So sorry to hear about Mike*

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**Linda Clogston** - July 24, 2018 at 08:37 AM

DE

“ *So so sorry for your loss. Had many good times with Michael working at the Balsams. Deborah.*

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**Deborah** - July 24, 2018 at 08:07 AM

JH

“ *Judi Hanson lit a candle in memory of Michael H. Brooks*



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**Judi Hanson** - July 24, 2018 at 08:02 AM

CB

“ *Lots of good memoeies with Mike when we were in school. Omg fun times riding to CA.As life has it we went our separate ways but, thought of you often. May you rest in peace! Keep everyone smiling!*



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**Cindy Brigham** - July 23, 2018 at 09:22 PM

TE

“ *Tricia Ellingwood lit a candle in memory of Michael H. Brooks*



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**Tricia Ellingwood** - July 23, 2018 at 08:52 PM

 Brenda Klebe

“ *Brenda Klebe lit a candle in memory of Michael H. Brooks*



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**Brenda Klebe** - July 23, 2018 at 07:41 PM

JG

“ *I haven't seen him in many many years , but the one thing I remember is his great sense of humor ! My condolences to the whole family.*



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**Judith Coutts Grover** - July 23, 2018 at 07:26 PM

  
Michele  
Bolton

“ *My deepest condolences to the Brooks family. So many great memories of Mike from bartending with him at a wedding or two, working at the Sutton Place for my mom so she could go to Lamaze classes with me or the crazy animals he acquired. I'll never forget what he said to me when I told him I was pregnant (not to be mentioned here) and all the sarcastic things he came up with. Definitely missed seeing him around town when he moved away. RIP Mike...till we meet again!!*

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**Michele Bolton** - July 23, 2018 at 07:25 PM

CL

“ *Carol Leach lit a candle in memory of Michael H. Brooks*



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**Carol Leach** - July 23, 2018 at 07:00 PM

HH

“ *Our deepest condolences go out to the family on your loss. I worked with Mike at the Balsams and he would always be counted on to come up with something outrageous to say. It is hard to find someone in the area that does not know Mike.*

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**Haven & Peggy Haynes** - July 23, 2018 at 06:47 PM

KF

“ *With a heavy heart, I want to express my deepest sympathy to the Brooks family.*



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**Kathy Moore Fontes** - July 23, 2018 at 06:34 PM

LP

“ Stephen and family, I am so very sorry for your loss. I remember meeting Mike several times with you Stephen and the two of you always made me laugh.

Linda Poulin

Linda Poulin - July 23, 2018 at 06:23 PM

JB

“ My deepest condolences to Mike's family. I was devastated to hear about Michael's accident and his passing. I have so many memories of him, but the one that comes immediately to mind is when he wanted to climb Table Rock one night after everyone got off work at The Balsams. There was a full moon, and several of us climbed it after midnight. We waited for the sun to rise, and then drove to Howard's Restaurant for breakfast.



Judy Hunt Budge - July 23, 2018 at 06:20 PM

JB

“ Julie K Bolton lit a candle in memory of Michael H. Brooks



Julie K Bolton - July 23, 2018 at 05:57 PM

JB

“ Such a great guy to work with. Sorry for your loss.

Julie K Bolton - July 23, 2018 at 05:56 PM



“ *My deepest sympathy to the family. I didn't know Mike very long, but I truly enjoyed his welcoming nature. I had many fun nights enjoying his company at the Swamp...he will be truly missed.* 😞



**Cindi Brucker** - July 23, 2018 at 05:38 PM

MB

“ *So very sorry to hear about Mike passing. Mike was the very first person I met my first day in Colebrook. Mike waited on me at the Wilderness and was so full of life and fun he will be greatly missed.*

**Mark Brachtel** - July 23, 2018 at 05:34 PM

FA

“ *Faith Angevine lit a candle in memory of Michael H. Brooks*



**Faith Angevine** - July 23, 2018 at 05:05 PM

JL

“ *My heart goes out to all of Mike's family, Mike was a part of our family, for many years, I know I will miss him, a good heart, not afraid to tell it like it is. I talked to him for a couple hours 2 weeks ago, and am so glad I did. RIP Mike.*

**Julie Ladd** - July 23, 2018 at 04:52 PM

SB

“ Stephen and family, Sam and I liked Mike and enjoyed his humor. He never saw me without his hug. We will miss him. Joan and Sam Bird

Samuel and Joan Bird - July 23, 2018 at 04:51 PM

LV

“ We are so sorry about Mike. He was so much fun to be around. I got a real kick out of his sarcastic wit. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Our sincere condolences to the entire family.

Lisa and Bob Vashaw

Lisa Vashaw - July 23, 2018 at 04:49 PM



DB

“ Debbie Boivin lit a candle in memory of Michael H. Brooks

Debbie Boivin - July 23, 2018 at 04:23 PM



LB

“ So sorry to hear of Michael's passing. We had many good times and laughs together. He will be sadly missed by all of us who loved him. May you rest in peace my friend.

Lana Brooks - July 23, 2018 at 03:41 PM



DB

*My heart felt sorrow to the Brooks Family. I knew Mike. Very jolly person always had some thing to say R I P Mike*

**Dennis Bryant** - July 23, 2018 at 05:33 PM

JL

“ *Judy Leigh lit a candle in memory of Michael H. Brooks*



**Judy leigh** - July 23, 2018 at 03:00 PM

MS

“ *Our condolences to Michael's family members and friends. May his kind and smiling nature be remembered by all that knew him.*



**Meg Brad Sheltry** - July 23, 2018 at 03:00 PM

LR

“ *Lynn Rancourt lit a candle in memory of Michael H. Brooks*



**Lynn rancourt** - July 23, 2018 at 02:57 PM



“ *Thelma Baker lit a candle in memory of Michael H. Brooks*



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**Thelma Baker** - July 23, 2018 at 02:54 PM



“ *Helen Daudelin lit a candle in memory of Michael H. Brooks*



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**Helen Daudelin** - July 23, 2018 at 02:38 PM



“ *Mary Grant lit a candle in memory of Michael H. Brooks*



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**Mary Grant** - July 23, 2018 at 02:36 PM