



## Millie B. Roy

March 18, 1927 - February 19, 2020

Stewartstown – After a full life of 92 years, Millie Roy died with family by her side on Wednesday, February 19, 2020.

Born on March 18, 1927, to the late Charles and Josephine (Lowman) Barbay, she grew up as an active participant on the family dairy farm where she acquired a lifelong strong work ethic. On the farm she developed a love for horses and fondly remembered her first horse, Jo Jo. She also learned to play the piano, a skill she maintained throughout her life.

After graduating from high school in 1944, she trained to become a Registered Nurse at St Vincent's Hospital in New York City. In this profession she became the head nurse in an operating room. She married a high school classmate, Hamp Roy, on October 12, 1950. They had a successful farming enterprise growing sweet corn and she spent her share of time driving John Deere tractors.

In 1959 Millie and Hamp purchased Sportsman's Lodge at Diamond Pond and significantly enhanced the business over their 20 years of ownership. In the early years, the lodge was a 3-season operation and the Roys moved to Colebrook for 3 months each winter. But Millie's desire to be at Diamond Pond as much as possible got them involved in a new activity for the North Country – snowmobiling. The first trip to Diamond Pond via snowmobile was made by

the Roys in 1959 and they accommodated their first snowmobiling customers in 1962. In 1967 they got a bill through the NH legislature to provide for plowing Diamond Pond Road the rest of the winter and this allowed for a major expansion of the business. They also became very active in the Colebrook Ski Bees – they were charter members and held various offices over the years. Millie was an occasional rider with the famous Hardy Girls.

The other three seasons at the Lodge were also busy with fishing guests, family vacationers, and hunters. Thanks to Millie's hard work and saving of extra income, they were able to buy a water ski boat. Countless families learned to water ski at the Lodge as a result and Millie became an accomplished skier. One of the trademarks of a stay at Sportsman's Lodge was Millie's great cooking, especially her home-made bread. Their time at Sportsman's Lodge was demanding and challenging but there were many rewards, the best reward being the fantastic people who came to stay. After selling the Lodge they built a home at Diamond Pond and Millie was the chief architect. As pastimes she enjoyed creating and maintaining her flower gardens, swimming, and cross country skiing. Throughout her adult life, Millie was an avid knitter. Untold numbers of sweaters, mittens, and Christmas stockings were made for multiple generations in numerous families. She operated Millie's Yarn Shop at her home for many years. She also worked at the Golf Shop at the Balsams. She served on the boards of directors for Home Health and UCVH. She was the primary force in the family wreath business and she often helped Hamp plow snow. She lived at Diamond Pond for approximately 60 years.

Millie was predeceased by Hamp, her husband of 62 years, in 2012. She is survived by her brother Charles "Bud" Barbay II of Waterloo, NY, by her son, E. H. Roy, and by her daughter, Cindy Roy, both of Diamond Pond. She is also survived by a wonderful group of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A very special thank you goes out to the many caregivers Millie has had since her health began to decline.

Calling Hours will be held from 2 to 4 pm on Sunday, Feb. 23, 2020, at the Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home, and will be immediately followed by a memorial service at the same location. Interment will be at a later date.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Millie may be made to the charity of your choice.

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **23**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home  
103 Main Street  
Colebrook, NH 03576  
(603) 237-4311  
[info@jenkinsnewman.com](mailto:info@jenkinsnewman.com)

## Service

FEB **23**. 4:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

RP

“ So many years have passed.I first came to Sportsmans Lodge in November 1963.And there was Millie and Ham,her husband.After that first stay I was hooked on this area.June 1968 my wife and I honeymooned here at a cabin at the Lodge.Because of Millie and Ham,Diamond Pond area was my wife and my destination through all our lives.One day standing on the banks of Middle Branch Dead Diamond River,my wife said:”If I go first,put my ashes here from the bridge.”And so I did.It’s next turn after the turn to Magalloway Mtn.My stainless steel urn I made is to be buried by that bridge.

Ronald Pal - January 05 at 07:47 AM

JP

“ EH and Cindy, was so sorry to hear of the loss of your Mom, I always remember her with a smiling face. Hope all of the wonderful memories bring you comfort. A life well lived.  
Janeane Young Pike

Janeane Y Pike - March 10, 2020 at 03:25 PM

VB

“ Your mom was a wonderful person! She always made me so welcome! My heart is with all of you...  
Valerie Bean

Valerie Bean - March 05, 2020 at 05:25 PM

CR

She did have a way of putting folks at ease. Thank you for sharing Valerie.

Cindy Roy - March 10, 2020 at 06:28 PM

MZ

“ Dear E.H. and Cindy, when I heard your mom had passed away the first picture of her that came to mind was her waterskiing on Diamond Pond! I have such good memories of Sportsman’s Lodge in its heyday. May you both be comforted by the good she brought to so many folks ❤️ Blessings from Lee and Martha Zook

Martha Zook - February 27, 2020 at 07:20 PM

CR

Martha, It has been ages.. so good of you to put in a note, here for us. Indeed it is good to remember the good ole days of skiing on Big Diamond. Best to you and yours.

Cindy Roy - March 02, 2020 at 11:56 AM

HH

“ I have so many fond memories of Millie on Diamond Pond. My sincere condolences to Cindy and E.H. I still adore my Christmas stocking!

Heather Hulse - February 27, 2020 at 07:13 PM

CR

Heather, The Christmas stockings are indeed a legacy all their own for Mom, especially in the Hulse family. Thank you for the kind note and the remembrance!

Cindy Roy - March 02, 2020 at 11:58 AM

VS

“ Our deepest sympathies to the family.  
The Schomburg Families

victoria schomburg-Jones - February 26, 2020 at 06:17 PM

CR

*Many Thanks as we share the loss of parents who had a special impact.*

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**Cindy Roy** - March 02, 2020 at 11:59 AM

JD

“ *Cindy and E. H. and families, we are sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. She was a nice lady and solid as a rock in her life. We admired your family, and we can see the fine people you've become. We are fortunate to have known her.*  
*Joeng & Mike Divney*

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**Joeng & Mike Divney** - February 25, 2020 at 05:29 PM

CR

*Many thanks to you both as staunch supporters of Millie and Hamp's wreath business over the years and as kind Colebrook neighbors!*

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**cynthia Roy** - February 25, 2020 at 07:48 PM

CJ

“ *So sorry to hear of Millie's passing, Cindy and E.H. She was one of a kind!*  
*Treasure your memories!*

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**Connie Jackson** - February 25, 2020 at 03:39 PM

CR

*Thank you Connie. She always enjoyed seeing the Jackson girls!*

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**cynthia Roy** - February 25, 2020 at 07:49 PM

GT

“ E.H. & family, we just wanted you to know that we're sorry for the loss of your mom.  
I hope the memories you have will comfort you at this time.  
Gary & Pam Trinque

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**gary & pam trinque** - February 24, 2020 at 03:34 PM

EJ

“ Dear Cindy and E.H. - So sorry that Millie has passed. The first time I met Millie was at a camp owners meeting in Pittsburg, NH. She was sitting in her chair with her glasses perched on the tip of her nose knitting as the meeting was going on. Bill and I were new camp owners and I was scared to death. She reassured me that everything would be ok - just hang in there and that really helped me. From that first meeting, we became good friends. When I was Director of Upper Connecticut Valley Home Health, Millie was my board representative at UCVH. She was my champion. She had a strong voice on the board and was very loyal to our cause. Even after I left Home Health, I never forgot how much she did for us and always told her so. She also knitted sweaters for all of my ten grandchildren. Each Christmas I would give her the children's sizes and told her to knit whatever she wanted to. My daughter-in-laws told me they always looked forward to those sweaters which were very beautiful and still have them. Millie was a talented knitter, a great cook and was so kind and loving. She was very proud of her family. She was a very good friend whom I loved very much and I will miss her dearly. My deepest sympathy goes out to both of you.

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**Elaina Johnson** - February 23, 2020 at 07:38 PM

CR

*Elaina, she felt the same for you and was proud to champion the wonderful works of Home Health! Many folks benefited from this program and she was happy to be a supporter. She was also great at encouragement for growth no matter the work so it is no wonder that she was there to support you and Bill at the camps too! Thank you for sharing such kind words!*

**cynthia Roy** - February 25, 2020 at 07:53 PM

DH

“ *Aunt Millie welcomed my husband John into the family with open arms and she quickly became one of his favorite people. He loved teasing her and she loved teasing back. I’ll miss the visits and the afternoon knitting club. Diamond Pond will never be the same without Aunt Millie and Uncle Hamp but I am so grateful for so many wonderful memories. EH and Cindy, you both did so much for you parents the last few years of their lives and you are to be commended! Love you both very much. Love, Donna Hosang (the oldest cousin)*

**Donna M Hosang** - February 22, 2020 at 01:52 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Millie B. Roy.*



February 22, 2020 at 08:12 AM

BM

“ *Cindy and E.H. -  
Sorry to hear of your mom’s passing. Brad has fond memories of  
visiting with Millie and your family in earlier years. We will remember  
Millie’s kindness, and how she would always ask about how our  
families were doing.*  
*Bradley and Monica White*

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**Bradley and Monica** - February 22, 2020 at 07:41 AM

BN

“ *My condolences to you on your loss.*

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**Bob Noyes** - February 22, 2020 at 07:36 AM

CR

*Thank you Bob. Always nice to hear from fellow class mates! We have  
all had our share of losses so we appreciate your kind note.*

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**cynthia Roy** - February 25, 2020 at 07:58 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for  
the family of Millie B. Roy.*



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February 22, 2020 at 04:36 AM

GL

“ *We are so sorry for your loss! Our thoughts and prayers are with  
you.*

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**Gilles and Priscilla Lambert** - February 21, 2020 at 11:42 AM

FB

“ We are deeply saddened by Millie's passing on. May she rest in peace and may you both be comforted in the knowledge that she was so proud of you and you took great care of her. With love, Marc & Fran

Francine Bigney - February 21, 2020 at 08:27 AM

Valerie Mahnke

“ Our deepest sympathies to the family.



Valerie Mahnke - February 21, 2020 at 12:36 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Millie B. Roy.



February 20, 2020 at 02:48 PM

DC

“ Cindy,  
Our heartfelt condolences on the loss of your Mom...Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family...May memories comfort you in the trying days ahead...  
With sympathy...  
Dave & Debbie Creta



Dave & Debbie Creta - February 20, 2020 at 10:24 AM

FA

“ We are so sorry to hear of Millie's passing. Wally and Faith

Faith Adair - February 19, 2020 at 09:09 PM

HH

“ Our deepest condolences go out to the family on your loss of a great Lady.

Haven & Peggy Haynes - February 19, 2020 at 08:28 PM

CD

“ Sending our love to you Cindy and your family.  
So sorry for your loss . .  
Rich & Chris D'Aiello

Chris D'Aiello - February 19, 2020 at 08:25 PM

JQ

“ So sorry to hear of your mom's passing. Bobbie Cross

joy cross quay - February 19, 2020 at 08:18 PM

NP

“ Cindy and E.H. Thoughts and prayers are with you. Nancy Placy

Nancy Placy - February 19, 2020 at 05:56 PM

JB

“ EH,

*My sincere condolences to you and your family, at this difficult time. There is no one like Mom!! God Bless.*

*Regards,  
Judy Brooks  
Class of 1971*



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**Judith Brooks** - February 19, 2020 at 05:06 PM

KC

“ *As one of her part- time caregivers I was blessed to get to know Millie. She may have been in declining health but had a heck of a disposition. I enjoyed making her laugh and if she didn't know, she made me smile too. Thinking of EH and Cindy and all her loved ones.*

*Katrina Cross*

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**Katrina Cross** - February 19, 2020 at 04:49 PM

GJ

“ *E.H. and family - my thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time. I've los of memories of both your mom and dad.*

*Ginger Jannenga*

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**Ginger Jannenga** - February 19, 2020 at 04:46 PM



“ *Our deepest condolences.  
Rita an JD*



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**Rita Donnell** - February 19, 2020 at 04:14 PM

TH

“ *So sorry to hear of Millie's passing.  
My family and I spent many summer's at Diamond Pond and have  
great memories of the Lodge and your family.  
Those were the good old days.  
Our sincere condolences to your family.*

*Tina Locke Hunt*

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**Tina Locke Hunt** - February 19, 2020 at 03:24 PM

TE

“ *My deepest sympathies to you all!*



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**Tricia E. Ellingwood** - February 19, 2020 at 02:44 PM

JC

“ *Thoughts and prayers are with you, E.H. and  
Cindy. Jan and Phil Corliss*



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**Jan Corliss** - February 19, 2020 at 02:08 PM

WH

*Cindy and E.H.,  
Saddened to learn of the passing of your Mom. She was a wonderful lady and a great asset to the Coashaukkee Golf Course. I enjoyed many memorable dinners with her and your Dad at Diamond Pond. I'm sure you will miss her.*

*Bill Hamblen  
Pace, FL*

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**william hamblen** - February 20, 2020 at 04:51 AM