



Raoul Jolin

November 1, 1929 - May 19, 2014

BROOKSVILLE, FL — Raoul Jolin, 84, of Brooksville, Fla., and formerly of Dixville Notch, died Monday, May 19, 2014, at the hospice facility in Brooksville, due to complications after having had a minor heart attack.

He was born in St. Gedeon de Frontenac, Québec, on Nov. 1, 1929, the son of Joseph and Marie Louise Jolin. He spent his early years growing up on a farm in Compton, Que., and then moved on to become both a carpenter and brick layer. When he was 22 years old, he married Simonne Roy, and four years later moved his family to Berlin, NH, and started working for Richards and Son as their foreman. This led to a number of construction projects in the North Country, and finally to The Balsams Grand Resort Hotel in Dixville. It was there that Neil Tillotson realized that he had found the right person to take over as the Maintenance Superintendent of not only the hotel, but also of the grounds (15,000 acres). Not too long after that, it was apparent to Neil that he had four people who he could trust to take over, and take The Balsams to the grandeur that he had always envisioned. He offered Raoul, Warren Pearson, Steve Barba, and Chef Phil Learned the opportunity to become managing partners, which they readily accepted. For the next 32 years, Raoul, along with his managing partners, was instrumental in making the necessary changes and updates necessary to keep The Balsams alive and thriving, even during weak economic times.

Raoul and Simonne decided that they would move to Florida in 2001 for their retirement, as they had spent a number of prior vacations, staying both on the east and west coast. Brooksville fit that bill with both great weather and great golf.

Raoul is survived by his wife Simonne, his four children: Yvan and wife Patricia of Charlotte, N.C., Roger and wife Belinda of Stratford, NH, Ronald and wife Patti of Robbinsdale, Minn., and Sylvie and husband Robert Weber of Colebrook, NH; three brothers, Andre Jolin of Sherbrooke, Que., Maurice and wife Cecile of Hudson, NH, Nil and wife Carmen of Bury, Que., four sisters Irene Marquis, Monique and husband Patrick Turcotte, Lucille Jolin all of Sherbrooke, Que., and Denise and Jean Guy Lemay, of Asbestos, Que.; 11 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by a sister, Therese Masson, and a grandson, Charles Weber.

Memorial calling hours will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, May 27, 2014, at the Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook, NH. A memorial Mass will be held on Wednesday, May 28, at 11 a.m. at St. Albert's Catholic Church in West Stewartstown, NH, with The Rev. Craig Cheney as celebrant. An interment will occur at a later date at the Round Top Cemetery in Dixville Notch.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Mr. Jolin may be made to the American Heart Association, 2 Wall St., Manchester, NH 03101; or online at www.heart.org.

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

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home, Colebrook, NH.

Cemetery Details

Round Top Cemetery

Golf Links Road
Dixville Notch, NH

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 27. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Service

MAY 28. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Albert's Roman Catholic Church
Church Street
West Stewartstown, NH

Tribute Wall

MB

“ *One of the fiercest competitors I ever had the pleasure of playing golf with. He was also the best negotiator for strokes off the first tee I ever saw!! Miss him. Mark Buselli*

mark buselli - December 10, 2014 at 08:47 PM

MM

“ *Leave it in Gods hand and he will make the changes we need,the bible tells us that. Psalms 145:16 learn more at www.jw.org*

Michael Marbury - July 10, 2014 at 06:53 AM

MM

“ My sympathies to my hunt Simonne, to cousin Sylvie, Ronald, Roger, Yvan, all relative and friend of my uncle Raoul. My uncle Raoul was the best teacher in my life. Always show to everyone there are welcome. We been there for many Christmas and Easter and we had wonderfull time with them. He brought us fishing, skiing, snowmoblie, dogsley, always keeping busy every visit. Playing cards with my parents and Simonne was happy moment. Always generous and he was never afraid to give to others. He s my mentor. Im Working in hotels business since 18 years now, he s a exemple for me. Once i been there with a maitre D friend and a bar tender friend. We decided to go to Country club to eat lunch. I did nt call them because I knew they were busy. Simonne get in and seen us eating. She said Raoul is coming soon to eat. Few minutes later, raoul came to see us. I was happy to see him with my colleague. He went back to his table. Before we were leaving, Raoul came and said I took care your bill the only thing you have to do is to come back to the hotel next time and bring some people. Raoul know how it work and the most important to be generous to the other people. **I think to you everyday Raoul**. Thaks for everything

Your nefew

*Martin Mathieu
Night controller auditor for
Holiday Inn Laval*

Martin Mathieu - June 13, 2014 at 10:18 AM

MB

“ So sorry to hear the news!! I spent 10 yeRs hacking up the golf course that he and Bob Weber took care of. We played many golf matches together and I always enjoyed his competitive spirit! I will never forget the time that we were playing a Wednesday regular match and we found out out that Simone got a double eagle on hole 2! He was so proud of her!! Great memories are with me because of Raoul! RIP my friend.
Mark Buselli

Mark Buselli - June 01, 2014 at 08:59 PM

BS

“ Yvan, so sorry for your loss, we are keeping you and your family in our thoughts and prayers. Bill and Connie Stowe...Montague, Michigan

Bill and Connie Stowe - May 28, 2014 at 02:15 PM

SB

“ Simone and family - We had every intention of being there with you last night and are so sorry we did not make it. We will be thinking of you all today and pray that the dear Lord grants you peace with joyful memories. Keith has many! Our love, Keith & Sheila

Sheila Beauchemin - May 28, 2014 at 06:06 AM

PB

“ Sylvie, Simone, and family - my heart goes out to you during your time of loss. Raoul was a good man and I'm glad I had a chance to know and work for him. It's never easy to lose someone you love. May you find peace in your hearts remembering the good times he brought to your lives. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Larry & Paula

Paula Burns - May 26, 2014 at 12:54 PM

BH

“ My deepest sympathies to you all. You are in my thoughts and prayers. The loss of a loved one is never easy, may you rest in peace Raoul. You will be missed by all who's lives you have touched. Love, Brigitte Houde

Brigitte Houde - May 26, 2014 at 06:15 AM

MM

*Hello to you Brigitte. Hope you re find. Always thing to your brother. I wish to see you back one day.
Martin your cousin*

Martin Mathieu - June 13, 2014 at 10:24 AM

JB

“ Sylvie and family thinking of you all and sending love and prayers ! Forever cherish the memories of our times in Dixville!! Raoul was a man we all admired such a hard worker and a love of a place we all hold near and dear to our hearts!! Hugs to you Sylvie and Simone you both brought laughter and sunshine to every day in the notch!!
Jenny Bean

Jenny Bean - May 25, 2014 at 07:42 AM

PF

“ *Death is nothing at all
I have only slipped away into the next room
I am I and you are you
Whatever we were to each other
That we are still
Call me by my old familiar name
Speak to me in the easy way you always used
Put no difference into your tone
Wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow
Laugh as we always laughed
At the little jokes we always enjoyed together
Play, smile, think of me, pray for me
Let my name be ever the household word that it always was
Let it be spoken without effort
Without the ghost of a shadow in it
Life means all that it ever meant
It is the same as it ever was
There is absolute unbroken continuity
What is death but a negligible accident?
Why should I be out of mind
Because I am out of sight?
I am waiting for you for an interval
Somewhere very near
Just around the corner
All is well.*

With Deepest Sympathy, Peggy and Gene Fitzgerald

Peggy Fitzgerald - May 23, 2014 at 01:33 PM

SB

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the Jolin family. We have many fond memories of Raoul. The Barber Family*

Susan Barber - May 22, 2014 at 04:08 PM

FF

“ From Yvan's Damco Charlotte family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Raoul Jolin.



From Yvan's Damco Charlotte family - May 22, 2014 at 01:58 PM

GJ

“ Sylvia & Bob & family - many thoughts and prayers for you all at this sad time. I've many memories of Raoul, and Mike has many, many more! I'm sure he'll also think of you when he sees the paper. I was out there visiting him last week and he made several comments about the past that included Raoul's name!

Ginger Jannenga

Ginger Jannenga - May 22, 2014 at 08:00 AM



“ Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Raoul Jolin.



May 21, 2014 at 11:11 PM

DB

“ Our deepest sympathy to the Jolin family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.
Normand Boivin



Debbie & Normand Boivin - May 21, 2014 at 07:17 PM

VK

“ I am most sincerely sadden to hear of your family's loss. There are a lot of memories to share within yourselves to keep him close. My thoughts are with you.

Valerie E. Kimball

Valerie E. Kimball - May 21, 2014 at 07:47 AM

MI

“ My deepest condolences to Simone and Raoul's family. My thoughts and prayers are with you in this time of sadness.

Michelle LaChance

Michelle - May 21, 2014 at 06:46 AM

RB

“ Our deepest condolences to Raoul's family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

Richard and Judy Budge - May 21, 2014 at 06:35 AM

LV

“ Our sincere condolences to the entire Jolin family. Raoul touched so many lives. He always had a smile, and a friendly hello; whenever I saw him. We will always remember him fondly. RIP; Raoul.

Bob and Lisa Vashaw

Lisa Vashaw - May 21, 2014 at 03:20 AM

HH

“ Our deepest condolences to the Jolin family on your loss. When I worked at the Balsams you would always see Raoul going from one area to another like the energizer bunny never stopping just keeping things going.

Haven & Peggy Haynes - May 20, 2014 at 11:09 PM

DV

“ I recall vividly the sound of his pick up starting up early in the morning and of him jumping out of the truck sometimes before it fully stopped. Raoul was always on a mission. Mr. T. remarked many times that no matter what he assigned as a project, Raoul never said it couldn't be done, he always found a way. You worked hard Raoul, rest in peace! My sincere sympathy to Simonne and family.

Fondly,

Don Vashaw

Donald Vashaw - May 20, 2014 at 08:17 PM

GJ

“ je t'aime à la lune et retour!

gabrielle jolin - May 20, 2014 at 08:01 PM

RO

“ Our deepest sympathy to you and family. Thinking of you, reg and Monique ouimette

reg ouimette - May 20, 2014 at 07:07 PM

FC

“ We want to express our all our condolences to all the family of Mr. Jolin. Francine and Andre Champagne.

Francine and Andre Champagne - May 20, 2014 at 05:09 PM

KA

“ Thoughts and Prayers are with you and your sweet family at this time! ~ Kathleen

Kathleen - May 20, 2014 at 03:29 PM

MB

“ I have many fond memories of Raoul, and a very special memory I have never forgotten... when Sam and Jacob were born, Raoul and Simonne sent not one, but two dozen roses! thinking and praying for your family, Mary Beth

mary beth - May 20, 2014 at 12:20 PM

KA

Thoughts and Prayers are with you and your sweet family at this time!
~ Kathleen

Kathleen - May 20, 2014 at 03:28 PM