



Raymond H. Bonenfant

July 10, 1946 - August 24, 2017

NASHUA — Raymond Hector Bonenfant, 71, of Nashua and formerly of Keene, NH, and Pittsburg, NH, died of pericardium calcification of the heart on Thursday, Aug. 24, 2017, at his home with his family by his side.

He was born in Nashua, NH, on July 10, 1946, a son to the late Hector and Camille (Leblanc) Bonenfant.

Ray worked in Nashua for many years before marrying his wife Debbie on April 3, 1976. They lived in Keene until 1992 when they moved to Pittsburg, NH, and lived there until August of 2009. They moved back to Nashua, and resided at Pratt Homes.

When Ray was in Keene he worked for Kingsbury Machine Tool, the Keene Water & Highway departments, then at Cheshire Medical Center where he became head carpenter there. He was commended at CMC by his boss for all his talent. When the family moved to Pittsburg, he worked for Tall Timber Lodge, Ramblewood Cabins & Campground, Mountain View Cabins , groomed snowmobile trails in the winter, and he worked for Richard Judd. He retired from Ramblewood Cabins in July, 2008, and moved to Nashua the following summer. He was a very good mechanic and an extremely talented carpenter who could make anything from wood. He was a very talented man in many different ways. He worked on vehicles and snowmobiles with his two

children and they all enjoyed snowmobiling and hunting . The family vacationed at York Beach, Me., many times with their children and also had a camper at Old Orchard Beach where the whole family enjoyed the ocean very much. He liked to play miniature golf and go deep sea fishing, loved to visit Nubble Light House with his family when vacationing at York Beach, and loved to go hunting with his son and friends and father in law, snowmobiling with his daughter, and teaching both children woodworking projects and taught them all how to repair snowmobiles, dirt bikes, and 4- wheelers.

Raymond leaves behind his wife of 41 years, Deborah J. (Wilson) Bonenfant of Nashua; his daughter, Nicolle Sherrill and husband Jesse of Barrington, NH; two grandchildren, Peyton Hope Sherrill and Quinn Richard Sherrill; and his sister, Mona Zaker of Litchfield, NH; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, and in-laws.

He is preceded in death by his son, Jason R. Bonenfant in 1998; and two brothers, Maurice and Norman.

There will be no public calling hours. A private graveside service will be held in the Indian Stream Cemetery in Pittsburg at the convenience of the family.

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

Indian Stream Cemetery

Tabor Road
Pittsburg, NH

Tribute Wall

JL

“ *Jeremy Ladd lit a candle in memory of Raymond H. Bonenfant*



Jeremy Ladd - September 25, 2017 at 04:04 PM

DB

Thank you Jeremy~~~~

Deborah Bonenfant - October 07, 2017 at 10:30 AM

AC

“ *Even though I don't know Ray I'm so sorry for your loss deb if you need anything I am always here for you love you ❤️*



Amber Cunningham - September 14, 2017 at 04:48 PM

DB

Thank you so ery much Amber I appreciate all your support at work and helping me thru the day~~~~~ Deb

Deb Bonenfant - September 18, 2017 at 12:57 PM

MW

Deb.Sorry to hear that Ray passed away over the summer.Know this is a hard time of year.Thoughts and prayers sent your way.Marcia Wise.

Marcia Wise - December 17, 2017 at 02:14 PM

 Christa
Weaver

“ We have been lucky enough to know the Bonenfant family for so many years; they are our extended family. We have experienced some fantastic memories with them. We will miss Ray, but I know he is with our dear friend and his son Jason now. We will cherish all the time that we allowed with him here with us! Our love to the family!
The Weaver's

Christa Weaver - September 10, 2017 at 08:08 PM

DB

*Thank you so very much Christa, Gary, Dilan and Keeley. I appreciate you including us in your family the way you have always done. You are my extended family and was Ray's also. he appreciated how you came and visited him 2 times and also 2 times at the hospital . Neither Ray nor I will ever forget such special friends and love you very much. You mean the world to me and also did to Ray . Love you all very much
Deb*

Deb Bonenfant - September 18, 2017 at 01:00 PM

DB

“ Debbie will be having a memorial on Sunday Sept 24th, 2017 at the Indian Stream Cemetary Tabor Rd. Pittsburg, NH at noon time If you have a memory you want to share or a comment feel free to speak. Thank you
Deb Bonenfant



Deb Bonenfant - September 08, 2017 at 10:16 PM

SG

“ I will always remember Ray from Keene, he and Deb welcomed me into their home and family. Rest In Peace Ray. Know that you will be missed.



Sherry Gallant - September 07, 2017 at 10:48 PM

DB

Thank you very much Sherry~~~~ He had such pleasure making Aurielle her cradle . He liked you guys very much and we loved having you come visit us... Love ya Deb

Deb Bonenfant - September 08, 2017 at 06:13 PM

DJ


“ Although I didn't know Ray very well I knew the family with all of my love friendship and sympathy I am thinking of you all God bless you Debbie and take care God bless Ray I hope he is now at peace

Debbie johnson - September 06, 2017 at 05:33 PM

DB

Thank you Debbie for your kind words. I appreciate your sympathy and yes I hope he is now at peace cause he was hurting very bad toward the end. he is with our son and that makes me happy ~~~

Deb Bonenfant - September 08, 2017 at 06:15 PM

 Donna Stevens

“ Ray built bunk beds for my boys and let us stay with him and his Family until we could find an apartment. We so much appreciated this, this is what family does for each other. Thank you Ray!

Donna Stevens - September 04, 2017 at 09:00 PM

DB

Thank you donna and I am glad you appreciated all he did for your family. He was always willing to help someone in hard times. We had you, mom, dad, maurice, his aunt clarina and his brother Maurice live with us thru the years so we always had family living with us at some point . He enjoyed making the bunk beds for nate and kyle.

Deb Bonenfant - September 08, 2017 at 06:20 PM

DB

It was Aunt Agnes not aunt clarina who lived with us.

Deb Bonenfant - September 10, 2017 at 08:55 AM

CL

“ *Caroline Lally lit a candle in memory of Raymond H. Bonenfant*



Caroline Lally - September 04, 2017 at 01:13 PM

CL

“ *Deb, so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Ray is now at peace. I still see him sitting in his chair and when I still hear him saying to you when I call "your friend is calling"... 🙏*

Caroline Lally - September 04, 2017 at 01:11 PM

DB

yeah he got to know you and was so sorry for both of your losses and was glad that i could help a friend in need. He was ok when you came to visit us. Yes he did say your friend is calling every time you called..... Glad you came the last time before he passed away. you made him smile. thank you for being my friend I am glad I was there for you in your time of 2 losses one week apart. That is what friends do for each other..... Thank you for your comments and I am sure he is at peace now being with our son and his parents and my parents and his 2 brothers and his aunts who lived to be 100 and 115 Too bad he could not have taken after his aunts.....

Deb Bonenfant - September 08, 2017 at 06:25 PM

DB

also all of our pets, Memorie, Becky, Christy, Bailey, Chuck and Clyde and Darlene & Franks dog Egypt~~~~~

Deb Bonenfant - September 08, 2017 at 08:52 PM



“ *Frank Marro lit a candle in memory of Raymond H. Bonenfant*



Frank Marro - September 01, 2017 at 05:17 PM



Thinking of you often Bro!!!

Frank Marro - September 01, 2017 at 05:18 PM

DB

Thank you very much Frank Ray was so happy to have you in his life~~~~~

Deb Bonenfant - September 02, 2017 at 12:44 AM

DB

Thank you for you and Darlene still helping me thru all the sad times too now.... and you are now my handyman where I don't have Ray to help me with projects~~~~ HA HA LOVE YA~~~

Deb Bonenfant - September 08, 2017 at 06:26 PM

CP

Deb,

I'm so sorry about the loss of your husband Ray. You created many wonderful memories together and I hope they bring you comfort in the times ahead.

Cathy Panek

Catherine Panek - September 15, 2017 at 06:56 PM

DB

Thank you Catherine I appreciate your caring thoughts. He is at peace now and not suffering and with our son . I am hoping my entire family in heaven is resting in peace~~~~

Deborah Bonenfant - October 07, 2017 at 10:35 AM



Darlene
Wilson

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Darlene Wilson - August 30, 2017 at 08:55 PM

DB

This is my beautiful sister who Ray called his HONEY as she would do whatever he wanted for him and I tried to do what the doctors wanted. I lost out and Ray won cause Darlene was so compassionate with Ray and she knew how to handle his moods and ups and downs and i appreciate her so very much for being with me thru all this as it was a very hard time for me and I love her for all she did for Ray to make him happy and stay with him so I could work but we were both shocked at how soon he passed. Neither of us expected this to happen so very fast. I am so glad I stayed home from work with him and Darlene was there to help Ray and support me too cause I never want to go thru something like this again. I stayed strong for Ray but it was very hard to watch . I know he appreciates I gave him his wish. I love you Ray and I love you too Darlene for standing by and helping your big sister take care of your brother in law. I will never forget all you have done for us both Love Deb

Deb Bonenfant - September 08, 2017 at 08:46 PM

DB

Ray was determined he wanted to be at home, not in a hospital when he passed so I made sure he got his wish and I was there with him and so was my sister Darlene when he took his last breath I LOVE YOU AND MISS YOU WITH ALL MY HEART RAY~~~~~

Debbie Bonenfant - November 12, 2017 at 02:36 PM


Darlene
Wilson

“ Since June of 2016, I have so many memories. Ray and I watched countless hours of Westerns, Cheyenne and The Young Riders being two of our favorites. All the cookouts we had and how excited he was to come to our home because he felt so comfortable. How happy he was to "finally have a brother-in-law". How he thought Frank was magical because he fixed their car antenna so quickly. He loved our kids (Roxanne and Timber), and gave Roxie the nickname, Butterball. He and I would pick on Debbie when she wasn't looking. She would be scolding him, and I'd be behind her, shaking my finger at him. He'd sit there with this huge grin on his face, and Debbie would be wondering why? All 4 of us are going to miss you dearly bro and are very blessed to have had all of these times together.



*With all our love,
Darlene, Frank, Butterball and Timber*

Darlene Wilson - August 30, 2017 at 08:40 PM

DB

Thank you Darlene and Frank and butterball and timber for all the help and happiness you gave to Ray's last year. I could not have done it without your help. I love you all with all my heart Deb

Deb Bonenfant - August 31, 2017 at 02:04 PM

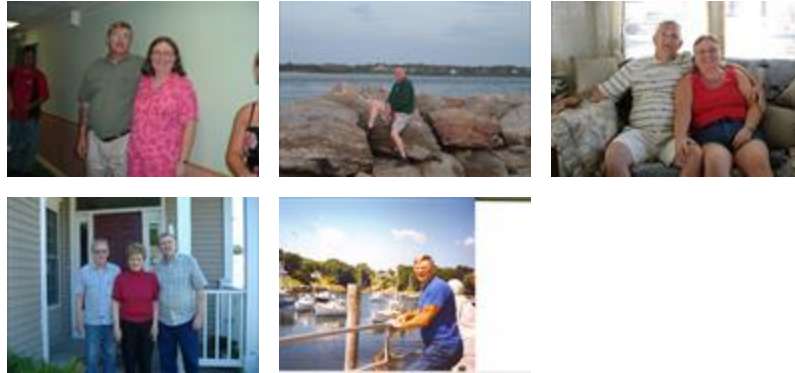
DB

Ray loved you very much Darlene and he will always remember how much you and Frank helped us thru his sickness and our move to Pratt Home. he will never forget the cookouts or you letting him have coke soda when I wouldn't and he loved you and him picking on my about not having a very good sense of humor when it came to trying to keep him doing what the doctors wanted.... I am just glad I was able to give him his wish to die at home with me and you helping me also . I will never forget all you did for us Love your sister Deb

Deb Bonenfant - September 02, 2017 at 12:47 AM

DB

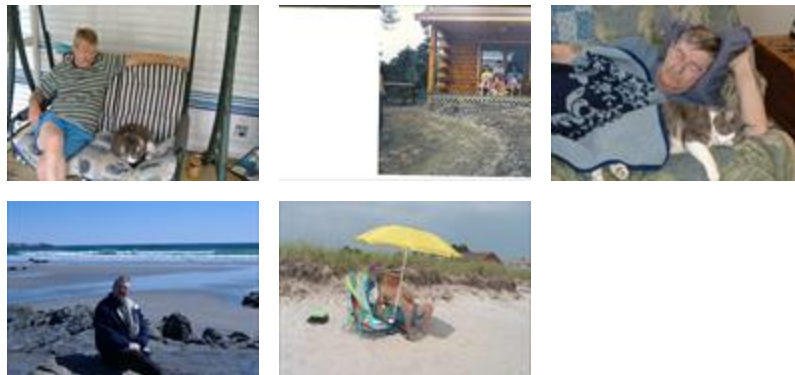
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Deb Bonenfant - August 30, 2017 at 05:46 PM

DB

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Deb Bonenfant - August 30, 2017 at 12:37 PM

ST

“ *Stephanie lit a candle in memory of Raymond H. Bonenfant*



Stephanie - August 30, 2017 at 12:26 PM

DB

Thank you Stephanie

Deb Bonenfant - August 30, 2017 at 12:47 PM

DB

*Thank you Stephanie for your thoughtfulness. I truly appreciate your caring and support you and Jess have given me . I LOVE YOU ALL
Deb*

Deb Bonenfant - August 30, 2017 at 06:44 PM

DS

“ *Donna Stevens lit a candle in memory of
Raymond H. Bonenfant*



Donna Stevens - August 29, 2017 at 08:28 PM

DB

Thank you Donna for your consideration of Ray. Deb

Deb Bonenfant - August 29, 2017 at 08:56 PM

DS

Your welcome, and I'm so sorry Deb

Donna Stevens - August 29, 2017 at 09:18 PM

DB

“ *Debbie Bonenfant lit a candle in memory of
Raymond H. Bonenfant*



Debbie Bonenfant - August 29, 2017 at 11:00 AM

DB

“ I love and miss you very much Ray. I am glad you are not suffering anymore though, but so surprised it was so quickly after the doctor told us several months up to a year. You were taken from me way too fast but you are at peace now and I am glad you are not in pain. You are now with our son, Jason and all the rest of our family and friends . Give them all my love also and be a family together up in heaven till we meet again. I promised you I would keep you at home and be by your side and I did everything you wished. I love you with all my heart. We have many great friends who have been there for me so do not worry about me. I will be fine . LOVE YOUR WIFE DEB



Debbie Bonenfant - August 29, 2017 at 09:11 AM

JL

Sorry to hear about your loss..my condolences to you and your family...Rip..Ray 😊

Jeremy Ladd - September 25, 2017 at 03:58 PM

DB

Thank you again Jeremy ~~~

Deborah Bonenfant - October 07, 2017 at 10:37 AM

JC

“ Nicolle, Jesse and family ~Jan & Phil



Jan Corliss - August 28, 2017 at 12:52 PM

TM

Nicolle and Deb... I am so sorry for your loss.. love to you both

Tanya Mckeage - August 28, 2017 at 01:25 PM

DB

Thank you very much Tanya I greatly appreciate your kind words Deb

Debbie Bonenfant - August 29, 2017 at 09:13 AM