



Richard F. Harding

September 30, 1924 - June 23, 2008

COLEBROOK, NH -- Mr. Richard F. Harding, 83, of Colebrook, NH, passed away late Monday evening, June 23, 2008, at the Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital in Colebrook, NH.

Richard was born on September 30, 1924, in Stark, Me., a son of the late Gerald G. Harding and Ethal (Brown) Harding.

Richard worked many jobs during his lifetime, including working for his father in his early years, and then mostly in jobs that involved being in the woods: as a logger, at the plywood mill in North Stratford, at the Beecher Falls Division of Ethan Allen Furniture, and for the Campbell Paper Mill. He loved to hunt and fish, and he was an avid Red Sox fan. Every week he enjoyed watching professional wrestling on television, and he was a fixture at the Colebrook House of Pizza where he could be found hanging out and joking around with his many friends. Richard also loved to spend time with his grandchildren.

Mr. Harding leaves behind his son, Michael Harding and wife, Heather, of Apex, North Carolina; a daughter, Michelle Smith, and husband, Jeffrey Smith, Sr., of Lancaster, NH; five grandchildren, Joseph Seeley, Christopher Seeley, Jeffrey Smith, Jr., Shea Harding and Kathryn Harding; as well as several nieces and nephews.

Richard is preceded in death by a brother, Bernard Harding, and three sisters, Geraldine Ball, Winifred Brooks and Barbara Swift.

At his specific request, there are no calling hours or public services. A private service will be at the convenience of the family at the Colebrook Village Cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy in Mr. Harding's memory may be made to Colebrook Academy Athletics, c/o Cheryl Covill, SAU #7, 21 Academy Street, Colebrook, NH 03576.

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.

Tribute Wall



“ *Richard would stop by from time to time and we would visit and talk about his family. He always had both a delightful laugh and a very positive outlook on life. My sympathy is extended to his family.*##imported-begin##Norma Chenevert##imported-end##

July 02, 2008 at 01:24 PM



“ *Michelle & family. I am very sorry for the loss of your Father, just remember the good thoughts & memories of him. Joyce Cass & family*##imported-begin##joyce cass##imported-end##

June 29, 2008 at 09:20 PM



“ *You are in our prayers! Janice Harding said sorry to hear this!*##imported-begin##Lisa & Chris Harding##imported-end##

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“ *sorry for your lost mary cote*##imported-begin##marycote##imported-end##

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“ *Mike, Michelle and families - I am so sorry to hear about your Dad. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*##imported-begin##Tori Smart##imported-end##

June 26, 2008 at 03:07 PM



“ Our deepest sympathy to you and your family on the loss of you father.

Alice & Doug##imported-begin##Alice Lyons##imported-end##

June 25, 2008 at 11:13 AM



“ So sorry to hear of Richards passing. I 've know him sence i was a kid and have many happy memories of him. Many time we all played cards and went to dance's. Thanks Richard for the memories and will keep them with me. for the family i feel your loss and just hold on to those memories as they will help you in this time.

Sencerely, Shirley and Cliff Bunnell and Dot Sweeney##imported-begin##Shirley (Sweeney) Bunnell##imported-end##

June 25, 2008 at 08:52 AM



“ Michelle, Michael & Family

My heart goes out to you in this time of sorrow. Your dad was a great guy with a beautiful smile. He will be sadly missed by all. I will keep you all in my prayers.##imported-begin##Nancy Sielicki##imported-end##

June 25, 2008 at 12:23 AM



“ To Michelle and family, I was very sorry to learn of your Dad's passing. He was a very remarkable man and enjoyed passing the time of day with him , having a chat and just hanging out.##imported-begin##Jane Dustin##imported-end##

June 24, 2008 at 10:37 PM