



## Rita A. Gilman

August 8, 1970 - May 29, 2016

COLEBROOK – Rita A. Gilman, 45, of Colebrook, passed away early on Sunday morning, May 29, 2016, at her home and with her extended family by her side after a period of declining health.

Rita was born on Aug. 8, 1970, in West Stewartstown, a daughter to Thomas and Wanda (Stone) Gilman. She attended schools in Groveton and North Stratford and was always surrounded by her numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Rita spent her adult life in Colebrook with her extended family, in the home of Paula and Wayne Chapple and their children, Aimee (Chapple) Poulin and her husband Victor, and their children, Spencer, Chyanne and Lilly. She spent many winter months in Winter Haven, Fla., and summers camping in New Hampton, NH.

Rita was extremely outgoing and loved to try any activity. She enjoyed camping, horseback riding, swimming, biking, hiking, going to the movies, and people watching. She was always up for a road trip or plane ride, and had the opportunity to travel to many different places. Rita was well known and loved by many in all the communities in which she frequented.

In addition to her extended family, Rita leaves behind her mother, Wanda

(Stone) Gilman and her companion, Tom Walker of Stratford Hollow; her sister Wendy Farrow and husband Timothy and their children Jonathan and Georgie, as well as five step-daughters, all in Stratford Hollow; her brother Sammy Stone and his son Cody of Stratford Hollow; and her grandmother Florabelle Stone and husband Jack Cavanaugh of Stratford Hollow.

She is predeceased by her father, Thomas Gilman, her grandfather, Frank Stone, and a nephew, Frank Stone.

There are no public calling hours. A celebration of Rita's life will be held at the home of Victor and Aimee Poulin on July 30th from 1 to 4 p.m.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Rita 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).

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

# Tribute Wall

LR

“ *Lynn Rancourt lit a candle in memory of Rita A. Gilman*



Lynn rancourt - October 12, 2017 at 07:09 AM

CV

“ *So sorry to hear about Rita's passing. She had such a love for life and enjoyed every moment. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers. Christine Vigneault*

Christine Vigneault - June 13, 2016 at 01:36 PM

JC

“ *Sorry to hear about Rita, she was a great young lady.*



Jackie CAIRES - June 08, 2016 at 04:09 PM

AC

“ *my heart is with the family adam chilafoe*

adam chilafoe - June 08, 2016 at 12:24 PM

HH

“ *Our deepest condolences go out to the family on your loss.*

Haven & Peggy Haynes - June 03, 2016 at 12:11 AM

PS

“ *Penny Henry & Son Sawyer lit a candle in memory of Rita A. Gilman*



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**Penny Henry & son Sawyer** - June 02, 2016 at 04:01 PM

AS

“ *Love you Gilly! Hope you're surrounded by lots of arts and crafts, babies, dogs, and people to give you hugs and kisses. RIP... Xoxo*

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**Adrienne Stevens** - June 02, 2016 at 12:39 PM

KT

“ *Rest In Peace Rita  
Kate (Curley) Tardiff*



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**Kate Tardiff** - June 02, 2016 at 12:35 PM

JH

“ *Judi Hanson lit a candle in memory of Rita A. Gilman*



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**Judi Hanson** - June 02, 2016 at 07:56 AM

FA

“ *RIP Rita. Enjoyed your visits with us at Head Start. Miss Faith*

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**Faith Adair** - June 01, 2016 at 08:59 PM

PR

“ *Patsy Rainville Ruggiero lit a candle in memory of Rita A. Gilman*



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**Patsy rainville Ruggiero** - June 01, 2016 at 02:40 PM

DB

“ *Paula, Wayne and Amie so sorry to hear about Rita. all I can say is keep all the great memories alive*



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**Debbie Boivin** - June 01, 2016 at 01:44 PM

JP

“ *Jan And Phil lit a candle in memory of Rita A. Gilman*



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**Jan and Phil** - June 01, 2016 at 08:33 AM