



## Robert W. Shaw

April 19, 1928 - May 23, 2018

COLEBROOK – Robert William Shaw, 90, of Colebrook passed away on Wednesday morning, May 23, 2018, at his home with his family by his side, and after a long period of failing health.

He was born in Colebrook on April 19, 1928, the son of the late Albert W. and Almosa (Favreaux) Shaw. He was a 1946 graduate of Colebrook Academy (while also managing the Jax Theater for Charlie Hughes) and later attended UNH with the Navy ROTC program, attended Navy flight school, and was later commissioned an officer in the U.S. Air Force, serving during the Korean conflict.

Robert's career was widely varied and extraordinary. As a young man, he was a farm hand for many local farmers and worked at several creameries, and he also worked for the Maine Central Railroad. At one time he also worked as a telephone lineman. Robert was a licensed professional civil engineer in all the New England states and designed and constructed many of the area's existing infrastructure, including the Pontook hydroelectric facility in Dummer, Colebrook's airstrip, the water tower and piping system atop Lombard Hill, the current garage and location for Nash Equipment, the sewerage design and construction for the town of Errol, chief engineer for the construction of the original Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital, as well as numerous other civil projects and bridges throughout New England, and the Delaware River

Turnpike Toll bridge in the 1950s. Robert also had a land surveying and development company for many years, and a Redi-Mix concrete business. Always the air force officer, he enjoyed flying and had his private pilot's license.

He was a proud Episcopalian and a 56-year member and Past Master of Evening Star Lodge #37, F.&A.M. Robert also served 3 years as a selectman for the Town of Colebrook and 5 years as the town's road agent. Bob and Russell Ingram designed, constructed and gifted the addition to the town library which also houses the Masonic Lodge to this day and which bears his name.

Bob is survived by his wife, Linda J. (Vaughn) Shaw of Colebrook; two daughters, Bobbi Shaw of Concord, Terri Shaw of Colebrook; a step-daughter, Kimberly Vaughn-Lynch (Daniel) of Colebrook; and two grandchildren, Eve Elizabeth Shaw-White and Vaughn Shaw-Boire.

He is preceded in death by his sister, Marcelle Day.

Calling hours will be on Monday, May 28, 2018, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook. A Masonic Funeral Rite will be held at the funeral home at 4 p.m. A funeral service with military honors will be held the next morning, Tuesday, May 29, at 11 a.m. at the Monadnock Congregational Church in Colebrook with The Rev. Timothy Brooks officiating. Interment will occur at a later date in the Colebrook Village Cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Mr. Shaw may be made to 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, Colebrook, NH.

# Cemetery Details

## Colebrook Village Cemetery

North Main Street, U.S. Route 3  
Colebrook, NH

# Previous Events

## Deliver flowers to the funeral home for transfer to the service by

MAY 28. 2:00 PM (ET)

Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home  
103 Main Street  
Colebrook, NH

## Visitation

MAY 28. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home  
103 Main Street  
Colebrook, NH

## Service

MAY 29. 11:00 AM (ET)

Monadnock Congregational Church  
Main Street  
Colebrook, NH



# Tribute Wall

RD

“ A great man and well loved. Robert was my father’s first cousin. He called me “Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm.”  
*Rebecca Bryant DeWitt-Conway*

Rebecca DeWitt - June 10, 2018 at 01:08 PM

CH

“ Bob Shaw was a lovely man, and I was very sad to read that he had died.  
*I am an old friend of the Noyes family (Irving and Fred) and Katherine Noyes is a dear friend. She and I had a good visit with Bob the last time we were in Colebrook.  
My deepest sympathy to Linda and the Shaw family.  
Caroline R. Helmuth*

Caroline R. Helmuth - June 08, 2018 at 04:41 PM

JF

“ We know there are many wonderful memories of Robert and he will be remembered for positive contributions to society, a kind friend and good family man. Linda and family you are thought of. Jeanne and Steve Frizzell

Jeanne and steve frizzell - May 28, 2018 at 09:26 AM

JB

“ Josh And lola Boire lit a candle in memory of Robert W. Shaw



Josh and lola Boire - May 28, 2018 at 08:34 AM

LK

“ We were sorry to learn of Bob's passing. He certainly lived life to the fullest and had a positive impact on the north country.

*Patty and Les Klinefelter*

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**Leslie Klinefelter** - May 28, 2018 at 08:28 AM

CB

“ *Bobbi and family*  
*I am very sorry for your loss.*



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**Cindy Brigham** - May 27, 2018 at 08:03 PM

JC

“ *Jan Phil Corliss lit a candle in memory of*  
*Robert W. Shaw*



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**Jan Phil Corliss** - May 26, 2018 at 11:03 AM

JB

“ *My condolences to the Shaw family.*



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**Judy Hunt Budge** - May 25, 2018 at 06:00 PM

CL

“ Cheryl Lindsay lit a candle in memory of Robert W. Shaw



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**Cheryl lindsay** - May 25, 2018 at 04:45 PM

CL

*I am very sorry for your lost .God Bless to all*

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**Cheryl lindsay** - May 25, 2018 at 04:48 PM

 Valerie Mahnke

“ Valerie Mahnke lit a candle in memory of Robert W. Shaw



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**Valerie Mahnke** - May 25, 2018 at 02:43 PM

GB

“ *The last time we saw each other was at the birthday of Marie Laure. We took a picture of you with me and my son Steve, three engineers. I always remember the good time when we stopped by at your place on the hill with my family and my mother Antoinette. Great memory. I must share also this memory about your mother Monza. Every time I saw her, she always said Gerald if you go to Memphis to see Elvis, don't forget to bring me. Every time I went by the surrounding's of Colebrook. I always said to my myself. It is my cousin who built the roadS around here. I was proud.*

*Rest in peace Robert.*

*Gerald Baillargeon*  
*Trois-Rivières, QC*

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**Gerald Baillargeon** - May 25, 2018 at 12:52 PM



“ *Rose Impression Casket Spray was purchased for the family of Robert W. Shaw.*



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May 25, 2018 at 08:31 AM

JM

“ *"His equal will never be among us again."*  
*~Scottish Blessing*

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**Jenny Mitchell** - May 25, 2018 at 07:55 AM

DU

“ *Dustin lit a candle in memory of Robert W. Shaw*



Dustin - May 25, 2018 at 07:47 AM

DU

*Rest in Peace Mr. Robert , a great man, a friend, a good person, thank you for all you did for Abbie Dustin, whenever she needed you my sincere condolences to Linda, Terri, Bobbi, Kim, and all the relatives of your immediate family. Love and Rememberence Robert. I salute you sir and thank you for your Service. RIP*

Dustin - May 25, 2018 at 07:54 AM

JC

“ *Mr. Shaw drove Bobbi and me to my first concert when I was in 9th grade. It was AC/DC. Not sure why he was willing to drive two giggling girls all the way there at a moments notice but it's a memory I treasure. My thoughts and prayers are with you Linda, Bobbi and Terri.*

Jenn Chenevert - May 24, 2018 at 07:16 PM

FR

“ *Loosing a good man. Our sympathy to his family & friends.....  
Francine & Andre Champagne*



Francine - May 24, 2018 at 05:48 PM

RK

“ *Rosalie King lit a candle in memory of Robert W. Shaw*



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**Rosalie King** - May 24, 2018 at 03:20 PM

RM

“ *Rosemary Mulliken lit a candle in memory of Robert W. Shaw*



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**Rosemary Mulliken** - May 24, 2018 at 01:14 PM

RM

*Linda, Bobbi, Terri, Kim and families-Many, many great memories of 'Mr. Shaw' and how he always sang "Rosemarie" to me (completely ignoring that I disliked being called Rosemarie!) He was the only person who got away with it. Sending my deepest sympathies to you all. Love, Rosey*

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**Rosemary Mulliken** - May 24, 2018 at 01:20 PM