



Robert K. Young

January 16, 1927 - September 6, 2024

COLUMBIA – Robert K. Young, 97, of Columbia, died on Friday morning, Sept. 6, 2024, at the Coös County Nursing Hospital in West Stewartstown, after a prolonged period of declining health.

He was born on Jan. 16, 1927, in West Stewartstown, a son to the late Elwin G. and Jerry (French) Young. He attended schools both locally and in Peabody, Mass. He was drafted into the U.S. Navy towards the end of World War II, and after his service he attended UNH and earned a degree in electrical engineering.

Robert worked for American Machine & Foundry for 20 years before he returned to the north country. He then taught advanced mathematics in the vocational program at Canaan Memorial High School for seven years. After his tenure teaching in Canaan, he joined Holman Forbes and traveled to Saudi Arabia to work for Aramco as a teacher for eight more years before returning again to the north country.

He was responsible, along with Ruby Wallace, in establishing the Pioneer Farm Educational Trust. Ruby and Robert provided the funding to preserve the Wallace Farm in Columbia.

Robert loved to tie flies, flyfish, hunt, tinker and build things

Robert leaves behind his long-time companion, Ruby Wallace, and his son, Stephen M. Young, as well as two granddaughters, Jaime Valentine of Gainesville, Va., and Krystle Young of Fort Collins, Colo., and four great-grandchildren, Stephen, Henry and Charlotte Valentine, and Finn Mulligan. He is predeceased by his wife, Ione (Wallace) Young, and a daughter, Nancy Lee.

At his specific request, there are no public services.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Mr. Young may be made to Canaan Memorial High School, School St., Canaan, VT 05903.

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

Tribute Wall

JB

“ *Ruby, I am so very sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and his family.* ”



Judy Hunt Budge - September 11, 2024 at 03:28 PM

DF

“ *We are so very sorry to hear about the passing of Robert. So very glad we got to visit with him last weekend. He was a wonderful man, so full of knowledge, we all loved sitting around the kitchen table listening to his stories of snowmobiling, fishing, hunting, and the woods. Robert taught my husband and grandsons how to fly fish and showed them how to tie flies, wonderful memories of him that they will treasure forever. We will always think of him with his oatmeal with blueberries, his lighted cap, and his long John's! Robert will be greatly missed by all of us! Our thoughts and prayers to his family and friends-God Bless! Rest in peace RK❤️ All our love, The Flatlanders (The Smiths, The Dormadys, and the Curtin's)* ”

Dan and Cheryl Smith and family - September 09, 2024 at 10:20 AM

BB

I had "Mr. Young" as a teacher in High School. I learned a lot from that man. One of the best teachers I ever had. Helped him with his wood pile some weekends. My thoughts are with friends and family as you grieve.

Benjamin S Burns - September 09, 2024 at 07:28 PM

DP

I am so very sorry to hear about the passing of Mr. Young. I found out from a friend over the weekend when his name came up along with Mr. Forbes.

it was a privilege having Mr. Young as a teacher and mentor. my condolences to the family and friends.

*I am a better man today because of Robert Young.
thank you.*

Danny phillie - February 02 at 01:04 PM