



Ronald 'Joe' W. Chase

March 5, 1936 - November 26, 2022

WEST STEWARTSTOWN – Ronald W. 'Joe' Chase, 86, of West Stewartstown, died peacefully at the Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital in Colebrook early on Saturday morning, Nov. 26, 2022, surrounded by his loving family and after a period of declining health.

The youngest child of Frank Chase and Lena (Ripley) Chase Allen, Joe was born in West Stewartstown on March 5, 1936. A lifelong resident of West Stewartstown, he attended local schools and graduated from Canaan (VT) Memorial High School in 1955. Shortly after graduation, Joe enlisted in the U.S. Army and served in Germany during the Cold War. As recently as just a few days before his death, he commented on how much he enjoyed his time overseas. After his active duty, he joined the U.S. Army Reserve and was honorably discharged in 1974 with the rank of Sergeant. He was very proud of his service to his country.

Upon his return from active military service, Joe worked as a mechanic for Roland Laperle and then for Adrien Thibeault before joining the family businesses, Washburn Lumber Company and later WeLog Inc., where he worked for a combined 37 years, retiring in 2003. He was well known for his ability to get machines up and running in difficult situations, a skill he passed on to his youngest son.

In 1959, at the Tall Timber dance hall in Pittsburg, NH, Joe met the love of his life, Dallas Washburn of Pittsburg. Near the end of his life, he could still tell you where she was sitting and what she was wearing that night when he first saw her. After a three-year courtship, they married on June 23, 1962. In June, 1963, they bought the "house by the dam" on Washington Street in West Stewartstown, where they raised their three sons and where Joe lived the rest of his life.

Joe was a long-time member of the Beecher Falls (VT) Volunteer Fire Department and a lifelong member of the NRA. In his younger years he enjoyed fishing, hunting, and spending time at his camp on Kemp Hill. An avid snowmobiler in the early days of the sport, when an ax, a compass, and a spare gas can were required equipment, he was a founder of the Canaan Border Riders Snowmobile Club. After retirement, Joe was well known for his daily coffee stops, "checking up" on his sons at work, and spending time at camp, by then relocated to Pittsburg. He very much enjoyed watching his grandchildren play sports and listening to them play music. He spent a lot of time in his woodworking shop making unique gifts for people, and he gave his grandson the tools that started his own interest in woodworking. Joe was always helping his family, whether it be mowing lawns, plowing snow, or just fixing stuff that broke. His knowledge and wisdom will be sorely missed.

In addition to his parents, Joe was predeceased by his stepfather George Allen, his brother Gordon, his sister Muriel, and his granddaughter Kellye.

Joe is survived and greatly missed by his loving wife of 60 years, Dallas; his sons and their wives, Warren and Kim of Pittsburg, Ward and Cindy of Dover, NH, and Troy and Nancy of Lyndonville, VT; his grandchildren, Marcus (Ashley), Logan (Jasmine), Travis (Jessica), Alexandra, Melissa, Mitchell (Manika), Erica, and Samuel; and his great-granddaughter Harper.

A brief service will be held at 10 AM on Tuesday, November 29, 2022, at the Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook, NH. A private interment with military honors will follow at the Indian Stream Cemetery in Pittsburg.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Mr. Chase may be made to the Beecher Falls Volunteer Fire Dept., P.O Box 326, Beecher Falls, VT 05902.

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

Arrangements are entrusted to the care of Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Indian Stream Cemetery

Tabor Road
Pittsburg, NH

Previous Events

Funeral Service

NOV **29**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home
103 Main Street
Colebrook, NH 03576
(603) 237-4311
info@jenkinsnewman.com

Tribute Wall

JG

“ When I was 10, my mother, brothers and I lived in the house on the other side of the tiny stream between where you lived. We lived on the corner of Washington & High. Cleo and his family lived on the other corner. We use try to catch salamanders in the stream. Memories so long ago, yet still just like they were yesterday. Dallas, Warren, Ward and Troy, I am sending my heartfelt condolences from across the miles. (Jill "Rowe" Gadwah)

Jill Gadwah - December 10, 2022 at 03:09 PM

CB

“ My deepest sympathy to the Chase family. His sense of humor and ready smile will be missed.
Cindy, David and Julia Bernier

Cindy Bernier - December 10, 2022 at 11:25 AM

MW

“ Our condolences to Aunt Dallas and "the boys" from Mike, Julie and Connor

Mike Washburn - December 04, 2022 at 11:44 AM

DB

“ Debbie Bedard lit a candle in memory of
Ronald 'Joe' W. Chase



Debbie Bedard - December 02, 2022 at 12:09 PM

JG

“ Warren and family, just saw your Dad passed away .. John and I send our thoughts and prayers to all of you. Sincerely with much love.. John / Diane Gray, Round Pond

John / Diane Gray - December 01, 2022 at 03:14 PM

CL

“ My deepest condolences to the Chase family. So vey sorry for your loss.

Carole Madore Lanctot

Carole Lanctot - November 29, 2022 at 03:19 PM

TY

“ Warren and family, so sorry to hear of your loss. Thinking of you all and sending my deepest sympathy and prayers.
Tami Young



Tami Young - November 29, 2022 at 02:54 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ronald 'Joe' W. Chase.



November 28, 2022 at 06:56 PM

RH

“ Dallas, Warren, Ward, Troy and families,
We are sorry for your loss. Thinking of you all
with sympathy.
Scott and Roxanne Haynes



Roxanne Haynes - November 28, 2022 at 05:24 PM

WN

“ Our deepest condolences to Dallas, the boys and their families! Joe
was a wonderful man and had a great smile for everyone! RIP Joe

Walter&Suzelle Noyes - November 28, 2022 at 04:07 PM

JE

“ Dear Warren and all the Chase family. So so
sad to learn of your loss. You are in my
thoughts and prayers.



Jill Endsley - November 28, 2022 at 10:33 AM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the
family of Ronald 'Joe' W. Chase.



November 28, 2022 at 10:19 AM

BG

“ Hello Dallas and kids. I was sorry to hear about Joe's passing. I will always remember him as a quiet guy who always was willing to help out. I remember when I got my first car and took it to the mill for a paint job because I did not like the color. Mal and Joe did a complete paint job on it and even put black racing stripes on it. I hope you will remember the good times with him... Bill Gardocki

bill gardocki - November 28, 2022 at 10:15 AM

TF

“ Our condolences to the Chase family. I have fond memories of Joe stopping in every weekday to Tim's Country Store to buy some "supplies" to get him home. Conversation were short and to the point. Tim and Linda Frizzell

Tim Frizzell - November 28, 2022 at 09:52 AM

LB

“ Dallas and Family,
So sorry to hear about Joe! He was a great man! Hold all his memories close to your hearts. Prayers and thoughts go out to you and your families.
Lisa, Michael, Katelyn & Nicholas Bouchard

Lisa Bouchard - November 28, 2022 at 08:38 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ronald 'Joe' W. Chase.



November 28, 2022 at 07:56 AM

JF

“ Quite a legacy for the next generations. Just think of all the changes he saw in the woods during his long life. Many condolences to the family.

Jon Frizzell - November 28, 2022 at 03:58 AM

JS

“ Jana And Zaya Sierad lit a candle in memory of Ronald 'Joe' W. Chase



Jana and Zaya Sierad - November 27, 2022 at 07:51 PM

JS

Our deepest sympathies to you all. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Jana and Zaya Sierad - November 27, 2022 at 07:56 PM

GC

“ My condolences go out to all the family! He was a great man! He was a good friend with Howard Jones.

Gerald Crete - November 27, 2022 at 06:32 PM

LC

“ Linda Clogston lit a candle in memory of Ronald 'Joe' W. Chase



Linda Clogston - November 27, 2022 at 06:01 PM

LC

Dallas and boys thinking of you at this sad time. Joe was always such a nice man, I always enjoyed being around him.

Linda Clogston - November 27, 2022 at 06:04 PM

DS

“ *Dan & Paula Ladd Senneville purchased the Sweet Liberty for the family of Ronald 'Joe' W. Chase.*



Dan & Paula Ladd Senneville - November 27, 2022 at 03:58 PM

SM

“ *My sincere condolences to the family.*
Sue Miller

Sue Miler - November 27, 2022 at 02:48 PM

CH

“ *I remember Joe as a quiet gentle person whose friendship I treasured. Condolences to family and friends.*

Carolyn Horton - November 27, 2022 at 01:27 PM

JC

“ *Thoughts and prayers to Warren, Kim and the Chase family. Phil & Jan Corliss*



Jan Corliss - November 27, 2022 at 01:05 PM

DB

“ Sending my Sincere Sympathy & Prayers to Warren, Troy and the entire Chase family. May he Rest in Peace Thinking of all of you at this very hard time

Debbie Bonenfant



Debbie Bonenfant - November 27, 2022 at 12:11 PM

RD

“ So sorry for your loss

Richard A Dagesse - November 27, 2022 at 10:00 AM

DB

“ Debbie Bedard lit a candle in memory of Ronald 'Joe' W. Chase



Debbie Bedard - November 26, 2022 at 05:43 PM

DB

We had too much fun over all the years at the mill and garage! RIP Joe! Have a cold one with Josey, Skip and Eddie! Much love to Dallas and family.

Debbie Bedard - November 26, 2022 at 05:45 PM

MD

To Joe Family my sincere condolences he will be greatly miss a very good man To Dallas Warren Ward and Troy and Family I am deeply sorry for your loss

Monique Dagesse - November 28, 2022 at 09:31 AM