



Valtin J. Bean

May 1, 1943 - November 28, 2022

COLEBROOK – Valtin Jerry Bean, 79, passed away on Monday, Nov. 28, 2022 at his home in Colebrook.

He was born to Jerry and Millicent (Reed) Bean in West Stewartstown on May 1, 1943.

Val grew up with his two sisters, Kerry and Paulette, at the family home on Rt. 26 in Colebrook. Later in life, he connected with his half-sister Elaine (and her husband Sheldon) Gray. Val was happy to extend his family and spent much time visiting and catching up with them.

He followed in his father's military path by enlisting in the Army in 1962 and served as an ordnance specialist, and he was honorably discharged in 1968. Val was a true patriot and loved his country.

Val met Irene Bryant and they were married on September 5th, 1970, becoming the father to a full house of seven children. Val and Irene had a son Jacob Valtin Bean, who died in 2002.

Val had many interests, but was probably best known for the ability to troubleshoot and fix all sorts of mechanical devices. He was very detailed-oriented and kept impeccable records! He had an affinity for all things trucks

and motors, and in his younger years he loved his Corvairs! He enjoyed Beaver Brook Falls, martinis, and boat rides with family and friends. Growing up, the whole family enjoyed swimming at the brook, having corn roasts and camping at Mud Pond. He loved his family and his dear friend Paul's company. They shared many interests, and enjoyed each other's conversations over the years, in the shop, and out and about.

For many years Val worked for Sears & Roebuck as an appliance repairman, and he also worked for Lambert's grocery store and later drove the Tri-County CAP bus for local senior citizens. Ultimately, he became self-employed as a service provider for Granite State Independent Living. Val was a kind person; many people who speak of him describe Val using the word "kind."

He had a great smile and enjoyed listening to peoples' stories. He liked to go fishing with Irene on Fish Pond, and although he didn't have much luck catching fish, he loved watching her get them. He enjoyed foraging for wild leeks and fiddleheads and simply enjoyed the local area. Val enjoyed going for Sunday rides just to "see what was new." Val had an astute sense of humor and will be greatly missed by his family and friends and his special friend "Chester," a cat which he adored.

He is survived by his six children, Connie Goodrum (Danny) of Illinois, Donna Mercer of Vermont, Terrie Nelepovitz (John) of NH, Daniel (Chris) Mercer of NH, Kathy Mercer of NH and Jaunita Field (Scott) of NH; his mother, Millicent Bean of NH; 14 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren; a daughter-in-law, Jennifer Jacques of NH; as well as several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He is preceded in death by his wife of 50 years, Irene (Bryant) Bean in 2020; two sons, Jacob Bean and Thomas Mercer, and his father, Jerry Bean.

There are no public calling hours. A graveside interment service with military

honors will be held in the Colebrook Village Cemetery on Sunday, May 28, 2023, at 1 p.m.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Mr. Bean may be made to Helping Hands, 96 Main St., Colebrook, NH 03576.

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

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to the care of Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook.

Cemetery Details

Colebrook Village Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAY 28. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Colebrook, NH

Tribute Wall

WV

“ *Paulette, Kerry, and all of Val's Family, I am so sorry to hear of Val's passing. He and Irene were wonderful. I remember so far back when Val served in the Canteen at the Balsams! -- Berta (Gray) Veale*

Wilberta Veale - December 06, 2022 at 10:25 AM

VF

Thank you. He often spoke about Balsam times!

Val's family - December 17, 2022 at 07:26 AM

MA

“ *Rip val bean you will be missed*



Mary - December 05, 2022 at 05:02 PM

AM

Thank you. One of Val's family

A family member - December 17, 2022 at 07:27 AM

DB

“ *Always love talkin with Uncle Val getting to know all the wisdom he had to Share Very Sad to hear bout Val but God Just Got Another Angel sadley Missed But Not Forgotten RIP Uncle Val Dennis Bryant*

Dennis Bryant - December 05, 2022 at 09:32 AM

AM

Thank you. A family member

A family member - December 17, 2022 at 07:28 AM

FC

“ *Our sympathy for loss. Yes, Val was a good man.*



Francine and Andre Champagne - December 05, 2022 at 09:12 AM

AM

Thank you. We believe you are right about that! One of Val's family

A family member - December 17, 2022 at 07:27 AM

JL

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Val's passing. Very nice man, had many visits with him and Irene when they came out to eat. Thoughts and prayers are with his family*

Julie Ladd - December 04, 2022 at 04:01 PM

AM

He did enjoy his time eating out! Thank you. One of Val's family

A family member - December 17, 2022 at 07:29 AM

CM

“ *Paulette, Kerry and extended family. My sincere condolences to the Bean family with the passing of your loved one. Keep your memories close.*

Claire Martineau - December 04, 2022 at 02:54 PM

AM

Thank you. So many memories. One of Val's family

A family member - December 17, 2022 at 07:30 AM

CL

“ *So sorry to family!!He was so kind to us kids growing up!!We would love to go to their house on South Hill right below us!!Val and Irene were beautiful people!We played with Jacob and either one of them would take us home to the Lakin property!!Much hugs to all the families!!*

Christina Lakin - December 01, 2022 at 12:34 PM

LL

*Goodbye cousin Val...I loved going to visit your family across the bridge over the Mohawk River...
Your family was always kind to me...loved Uncle Jerry and Aunt Millie and Kerry and Paulette...My mom, your Aunt Everdean grew up in that house where you were raised.*

*Rest In Peace Val!
Louise Heath Lufkin*

Louise Lufkin - December 04, 2022 at 05:36 PM

OF

We remember with gratitude. Those were wonderful days.

One of Val's family - December 17, 2022 at 07:26 AM

CF

“ *Dear Dan, Chris and families - My sincerest condolences for your loss. May your fond memories help guide you through this difficult time.*

Love, Carolyn & Vaughn

Carolyn Foss - November 30, 2022 at 10:50 PM

RB

*To Vals family; we are so sorry to hear about the passing of Val. He and Irene were very kind people. Val was a quiet man and very nice to everyone around him. RIP Val you are now with Irene and your son.
Ron and Linda Beloin*

Ronnie and Linda Beloin - December 01, 2022 at 09:50 PM

OF

He and Irene were that. Thank you.

One of Val's family - December 17, 2022 at 07:24 AM

VI

So sorry to hear of Val's passing.....sending hugs to all of you!

vivian - December 17, 2022 at 08:24 PM

KE

We thank you.

Kerry - February 11, 2023 at 04:24 PM