



## Willard 'Bruce' Tibbetts

April 17, 1941 - December 25, 2016

Willard "Bruce" Tibbetts, 75, of Rutledge, TN, formerly of Beecher Falls, VT, died on December 25th 2016, while in respite care at Signature Nursing Home in Rogersville, TN after a long battle with failing health.

Bruce was born in West Stewartstown, NH on April 17, 1941 to Virginia Condon and the late Charles Tibbetts. Bruce lived in Beecher Falls most of his life, but the last 6 years. He then moved to Rutledge TN to be closer to his daughter, granddaughter, and grandson.

Bruce held various jobs, from being a Stewartstown police officer in his younger days to working at Ethan Allen and with GSA Services. For the most part he was self-employed as a filling station owner and had a tire shop, Bruce's Tire. He was a charter member of the Border Lions Club and a member of the Canaan bowling league. His favorite passion was playing guitar and singing in a band. He loved going camping and visiting with friends at the American Legion.

He was married to Ghislaine "Jessie" Tibbetts, his wonderful wife of 51 years, who passed away 2 years ago on August 16, 2014. He leaves behind his daughter Donna Tonkin and family Jeff and Coby of Rutledge TN, a granddaughter Jessica Biron Phelps and husband Jason, his mother Virginia Tirrill of Gulf Breeze FL. 3 sisters Nancy Tirrill of Gulf Breeze, Linda

Maksymuk and husband Allen of Navarre FL and Sandra Gray of St  
Johnsbury VT.

Funeral services will be held for both "Jessie" and "Bruce" at a later date, with  
interment at St. Albert's Cemetery in West Stewartstown.

# Cemetery Details

## **St. Albert's Catholic Cemetery**

US Route 3  
West Stewartstown, NH

# Tribute Wall

RM

“ To Donna and family so sorry for your lost I remember alott of fun times with your dad and mom to. I also enjoy working with Bruce at the customers also. Take care . Love Becky

Rebecca Masters - January 23, 2017 at 09:56 AM

RE

“ Thinking of you Donna at this sad time. Condolences from the Eastman-Sperry family. Their move to Tn created lifelong memories for the grandchildren and I am sure brought great happiness and peace to Bruce & Jesse. God Bless you Donna for your care.

Rose Eastman & Deborah Sperry

Rose Eastman - January 15, 2017 at 05:07 AM

JV

“ I remember growing up in the house next door to Bruce when he lived with his grandparents Laura and Arthur. Loved to hear him practice on his guitar and sing songs, he was like a big brother.

Jean (Gilbert) Vachon - January 13, 2017 at 07:06 AM



“ so sorry he was one good customer at the candlelight as iwaited on him and jessi and the merle haggard he was god bless and may rip the both of them they will be welcomed in heaven



Sylvie Bunnell - January 12, 2017 at 07:19 PM

SJ

“ Donna I am so sorry for your loss! I will keep you and your family in my prayers. Hugs to you all. He was a good man. He and your mom are watching over you and your family. I hope in time you will find comfort with all the good memories you have of him.

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**sonia jones** - January 12, 2017 at 04:29 PM

MU

“ Donna and family, My heart goes out to you for the loss of your father. He was a friend of my husband, Paul, for years before we were married, and we had many happy times with him and your mother as well as with you and Betty, growing up together. He has joined your mother now, and together again. May you find comfort in remembering all the good times, to help you get through these sad times. Mary Ellen Uran

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**Mary Ellen Uran** - January 12, 2017 at 11:42 AM

TT

“ The Thivierge family is very saddened to hear of Bruce passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and loved ones.

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**Tammy Thivierge** - January 11, 2017 at 07:53 AM

JB

“ Judy Hunt Budge lit a candle in memory of Willard 'Bruce' Tibbetts



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**Judy Hunt Budge** - January 11, 2017 at 04:18 AM

CO

“ Donna, I have no words to express the sorry I feel for your loss. I have so many incredible memories of all the time I spent with you and your parents. Snowmobiling, going to camp. Four wheeling in Three Rivers. Playing with your dad's amplifier and mic in the basement. All of Beecher Falls could hear us! It feels like a lifetime ago, and like yesterday all at the same time.  
Your parents were like my parents to me. I loved them. I can't drive by the corner in Beecher Falls without a tug at my heart. So many years ago, yet, just like yesterday.  
My thoughts are with you.  
Corinne

Corinne - January 11, 2017 at 03:33 AM

RD

RIP so sorry for your loss.

richard dagesse - January 12, 2017 at 06:44 PM

FA

Ginny I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Faith and Wally Adair

Faith Adair - January 12, 2017 at 08:42 PM

GI

dear donna and jessica and family, I am so sorry for your loss, . I have so many great memories of all the time I spent with you and your folks. I can still hear your moms laugh and your dad saying hey frenchy as i walked thru the door....i remember going snowmobiling up to camp. They were both great people and i am so glad i knew them and that they were part of my childhood,... i was blessed to have known them. Just so you know i can't go by your old house without looking to see if theres a big black sitting in the window thinking of you and sending heartfelt condolences ginette

ginette - January 13, 2017 at 09:32 PM

JL

Ginny & family, so sorry for your loss, thinking of you.

Julie Ladd - January 21, 2017 at 05:28 PM

MA

*Donna, very sorry to hear of the passing of both of your parents. My memories of them are nothing but fond. Sincerest condolences to you and your family. You are strong. Happiness, health, and prosperity,  
Michael.*

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**Michael Arietta** - March 19, 2017 at 01:31 AM