



## William C. Weir Sr.

May 15, 1940 - June 2, 2025

COLEBROOK – William C. Weir, Sr., 85, of Colebrook, passed away peacefully at his home early on Monday, June 2, 2025.

He was born on the family farm on North Hill in Stewartstown on May 15, 1940, a son to the late Harlie and Hallie (Sweatt) Weir. He spent his childhood moving back and forth between his parents' home on Lombard Street in Colebrook and his grandfather's dairy farm in East Colebrook. He enjoyed an idyllic boyhood of time spent fishing, hunting, and riding his bike all over. His parents often lamented that they never quite knew where he was or what he was up to. He attended Colebrook schools and was a 1959 graduate of Colebrook Academy.

In 1964, Bill met the love of his life, Pauline Riendeau, and they were married on September 25th, 1965. He first started working at the Stratford Plywood Mill. Eventually Bill and Pauline took over the family farm from Bill's father, Harlie, who had founded the Christmas tree farm in 1945. Under Bill and Pauline's leadership, Weir Tree Farms grew into one of the largest and most respected Christmas tree farms in New Hampshire. Bill, and his partner at the time, Mike Godzyk, Sr., were responsible for developing the Fralsam Fir, a hybrid Christmas tree, and trademarked the name. Bill was most proud that the Fralsam Fir was recognized as the top tree in the nation by the Wall Street Journal in 2002 and 2008. The success of Weir Tree Farms is a testament to

his hard work, vision, and love for the land.

Bill loved to maple sugar in the spring, run the Grand View Snack Shack in the winters, and research and document family history and genealogy with his brother, Earl. His house was always open to family and friends and the coffee pot was always full. He was a good neighbor and civic-minded person, serving as a Town of Colebrook selectman for nine years and as the president, vice president, and a director of the NH/VT Christmas Tree Association. In his retirement, Bill enjoyed spending summers at his lakeside, seasonal camp on Paugus Bay in Laconia, NH, winters at his condo in Orlando, FL, and taking several snowmobile trips with friends in Yellowstone National Park and Canada.

Bill recently celebrated his 85th birthday and was delighted to receive over forty cards in the mail, and enjoyed many visits from family and friends. The love of his family and friends that day, and every day, is evidence of a life well lived.

He is survived by his loving wife of 60 years, Pauline Weir, of Colebrook; his daughter, Cheryl McCulloch and husband Kevin of Chichester, NH; two sons, William Weir, Jr., and Jay Weir and his wife Christie of Colebrook; a brother, Earl Weir and his wife Marilyn of Chichester; 8 grandchildren, Tyler and Cody McCulloch, Kensley Hammond, Makaila Weir, Harlee (Adrienne) Weir, Sydnee Weir, Jackson and Cooper Weir; a very special niece and nephew that he considered as close as his own children, Kelly Connelly and Bob Weir; as well as numerous other nieces, nephews, and in-laws.

He is predeceased by a brother, Robert Weir.

Calling hours will be on Thursday, June 5, 2025, at the Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home in Colebrook, from 4 to 7 p.m. A graveside interment service

will be held the next morning, Friday, June 6, at 11 a.m. in the Colebrook Village Cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Mr. Weir may be made to the non-profit NH-VT Christmas Tree Association, 91 Main St., Littleton, NH 03561.

Condolences may be offered to the family on-line by going to [www.jenkinsnewman.com](http://www.jenkinsnewman.com).

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

## Visitation

JUN 5. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home  
103 Main Street  
Colebrook, NH

## Graveside Service

JUN 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall

CS

“ 2 files added to the album *Pictures from the 50's*



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**Charles O Stevens** - June 18, 2025 at 10:37 AM

DG

“ *Dear Weir Family - The Bedford Men's Club was saddened to hear of Billy's passing. Always a pleasure working with him over the years. We offer our heartfelt condolences and prayers for your family at this difficult time. Dave Gilbert, President Bedford Men's Club.*

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**David L Gilbert** - June 16, 2025 at 08:46 AM

MZ

“ *Out sincere sympathy to the whole Weir family. Mark and I have fond memories of the many snowmobile trips we shared with you and the rest of the "Over the hill gang"! Your trees always graced our home over Christmas. All our best wishes for strength at this time.*

*Mark and Helga Ziegler*

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**Mark and Helga Ziegler** - June 15, 2025 at 06:29 PM

ER

“ *Pauline, Jay, Bill, Earl and all the extended family, my sincere condolences on the passing of Bill. All his accomplishments and innovations over the years are very impressive. I remember when Harlie and Hallie and family used to take a short vacation and come to stay at Sportsman's Lodge. And I remember Bill bringing his John Deere with half-tracks and a wagon to help us transport firewood out of the woods. He will surely be missed. E. H. Roy*

E. H. Roy - June 12, 2025 at 10:55 AM



“ *My sympathies to you Pauline and to your family.*

Pierre Lemieux - June 07, 2025 at 08:55 AM

KM

“ *What great memories of this kind and happy man I worked for so many years ago at the tree farm. Bill loved his family so much and I feel blessed to have been so welcomed into his circle. Holding you all close in thought and prayer. Kathy McIntyre*

Kathleen/Kathy McIntyre - June 05, 2025 at 10:28 PM

LE

“ *So sorry for the loss of your loved one. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this sad time.*

*Leslie & Danny Eldridge*

Leslie & Danny Eldridge - June 05, 2025 at 09:26 PM

GL

“ *We are so very sorry for your loss, sending prayers your way!*

Gilles & Priscilla Lambert - June 05, 2025 at 11:34 AM

WS

“ Our condolences to the Weir family as you mourn the passing of Bill. Our prayers are with you as you grieve. Woody Scott

Woody Scott - June 05, 2025 at 06:17 AM

SB

“ M'y sympathy to family. Serge beloin

Serge beloin - June 04, 2025 at 09:39 PM

HH

“ Our deepest condolences go out to the family on your loss.

Haven L Haynes - June 04, 2025 at 03:13 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of William C. Weir Sr..



June 04, 2025 at 03:06 PM

DG

“ Denis Grimard purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of William C. Weir Sr..



Denis Grimard - June 04, 2025 at 01:59 PM

DG

“ Denis Grimard planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William C. Weir Sr..

Denise Grimard - June 04, 2025 at 01:59 PM

CR

“ Good neighbors and good folks! My condolences to the Weir family. Many, many years of happy experiences have been had at the Weir Tree Farm!



Cindy Roy - June 04, 2025 at 01:21 PM

JL

“ Sending my condolences to the Weir family  
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Jeremy Ladd - June 04, 2025 at 11:44 AM

JT

“ Jeff and Sue Taylor purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of William C. Weir Sr..



Jeff and Sue Taylor - June 04, 2025 at 09:27 AM

LB

“ After 70 + years of friendship, memories of the trips, adventures, & projects will never fade. Rest in peace Bill.

*Leo & Barby*

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**Leo & BarbyMacKinnon** - June 04, 2025 at 09:02 AM

JF

“ Pauline and family, Bill will be remembered for many things especially for his love of coffee and steak...he lived his life on his own terms and leave a wonderful legacy that he was truly proud of.

*Jim and Lilly Ferraro*

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**Jim and.Lilly Ferraro** - June 04, 2025 at 08:42 AM

TF

“ The Cole family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of William C. Weir Sr..



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**The Cole family** - June 04, 2025 at 06:59 AM

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“ The Cole family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William C. Weir Sr..

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**The Cole family** - June 04, 2025 at 06:59 AM

RB

“ Our deepest sympathy Pauline and family. Bill was quit man but very nice. We can't believe he has passed. We had breakfast with both Dean's, about 2 weeks ago at Claudettes and Deans. Prayers for you and the family during this hard time.

Ronald & Linda Beloin - June 03, 2025 at 11:38 PM

DF

“ Dauphinais Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of William C. Weir Sr..



Dauphinais Family - June 03, 2025 at 08:44 PM

FC

“ So sorry our deepest condolences to all the family and friends.



Francine Champagne - June 03, 2025 at 07:38 PM

TK

“ The Kastelein's planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William C. Weir Sr..

The Kastelein's - June 03, 2025 at 07:23 PM

TK

“ *The Kastelein's purchased the Simply Elegant Sp  
athiphyllum for the family of William C. Weir Sr..*



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**The Kastelein's** - June 03, 2025 at 07:23 PM

DP

“ *Sincere condolences, Jayne and family !  
Dave Paquin  
Blakely Farm Road*

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**David Paquin** - June 03, 2025 at 07:01 PM



“ *Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased  
for the family of William C. Weir Sr..*



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June 03, 2025 at 06:55 PM