



Richard T. Hodgkins

March 23, 2021

It is with the heaviest of hearts that we share the news that on March 23, 2021, our dad, Richard T Hodgkins, “Richie”, passed away peacefully after a brief and courageous battle with a brain tumor. He was born in Mechanic Falls Maine, the son to his beloved Mary (Christiansen) Hodgkins and father, Archibald Hodgkins. Dad was predeceased by his first love and wife of 60 years, Patricia (Peachwall) Hodgkins. Together they raised four daughters in Portland Maine before ultimately settling in Hudson NH.

After a wonderful career working in the banking and finance industry, most notably at Beneficial Finance Corporation, a happy retirement ensued where time was split between Cape Coral FL with many years of laughter and fun with their friends at Whiskey Creek Country Club, and in Hudson NH spending time with family and lifelong friends.

His passions began and ended with his family. Some of his favorite times were spent listening to music, dancing with our mom and hanging out in the sunshine. He also loved cheering on his grandchildren during their sports games. He loved animals and was especially close to his constant companion, Precious. In his retirement years, Dad loved golfing whether with Patricia, his son-in-laws or weekly with his friends at the club. Dad was able to build and fix almost anything. He remodeled multiple homes and converted plain or tired homes into beautiful homes for our family.

A devoted father, he is survived by four daughters and their families: Michelle Smart and husband Jeffrey Smart and their four children and seven grandchildren, Lynda Eaton and husband William Eaton Jr, and their four children and 2 grandchildren and one on the way, Julie Gibbons and her four children and one grandchild and Nicole Horne and husband, Derek Horne and two children. He is also survived by his sister, Donna (Hodgkins) Thorn and brother, Robert D. Hodgkins and wife, Sandra Hodgkins.

You won't need Rose Colored Glasses to remember his sweet smile, his terrific sense of humor, or the way he would smile when he looked at our mom. He never said a harsh word about anyone and always saw the best in people he met. He and our mother are

surely dancing up a storm and are glad to be together again.

A Walk Through Visitation will be held on Monday, March 29th from 4pm to 6pm in the Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Home, 50 Ferry St. in Hudson, NH. This visitation and closing prayers will be live-streamed and may be viewed by visiting Richie's dedicated page on the funeral home website. Burial will be private. We are asking that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made in Richie's loving memory to the American Association for Cancer Research via aacr.org and clicking "Donate Today".

Please use the following livestream link: <https://my.gather.app/remember/richard-hodgkins>

Events

MAR **Walk Through Visitation** 04:00PM - 06:00PM

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Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Home Hudson, NH
50 Ferry Street, Hudson, NH, US, 03051

Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes - March 28 at 03:13 PM



“ A webcast video has been added.



Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes - March 27 at 11:00 AM



“ My deepest sympathy, Dick was a kind gentle soul, I looked forward each week to making eggs and bacon for him and Precious. Rest my friend, good music and peacefulness, caregiver Sherrie



Sherrie Raymond - April 01 at 08:16 AM



“ So sorry to hear of your loss, he was a great guy. Sorry I did not make it to the wake. He will be missed.

Jennifer Sharland - March 31 at 10:43 AM



“ Just read the news. Sorry for your loss. I always remember that he was a good dude to talk to.

Victor - March 30 at 12:10 PM



“ Such a nice man. Glad to have worked for him and to have known both him and Mrs H. My sympathies to your awesome family.
Francine

Francine Desilets - March 29 at 10:22 PM



“ Thoughts and prayers for the most wonderful friend. Rest in peace.

Ann Perry & Michael Rosa - March 29 at 03:45 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Michelle Smart - March 29 at 02:08 PM



“ It occurred to me that not only are you dancing with mom but you get to dance to all kinds of live music: Janis, Elvis, Johnny, Patsy, Charley Pride, Charlie Daniels, Aunt Kitty, Uncle Jimmy and so many more. I love you and miss you so much. Please give mom a huge hug for me!

Michelle Smart - March 29 at 02:08 PM



“ You will forever be in our hearts
You have taught us that love is unconditional.
Please give mom a hug hug from us



Julie Gibbons - March 29 at 12:18 PM



“ Mary and I extend our love and very best wishes
To the family of Richard Hodgkins. I've known Dick & Pat for about 50 years and my wife for over 20 years, since their move to Florida. We had the pleasure of
Enjoying life with them for Golf, countless dinners, dance, sports events, cruise trips,
family events to name a few. Truly loved Dick for his humor, his competitiveness,
both at work and play, his love for Pat and 4 beautiful daughters along with grand &
greatgrand children, love for our Lord Jesus. He
Always put family first, followed by friendship. Thank you Richard for being such a
loving, loyal friend. Give Pat a big hug for us! Harry and Mary

Harry T Rubin & Mary - March 29 at 11:27 AM



“ Grandpa was an amazing Grandpa. I feel like I could tell a thousand stories that he's left with me or with Caleb. Either as Grandpa, or Big Papa, he's always been there for his family. I remember staying with both Grandpa and Grandma down in Florida. I feel like I could close my eyes and walk through their home down there. One of my favorite memories is being taught chess by Grandpa. It leads to so many other memories, because I would tease him about not having any kid gloves. He took pride in it, and showed me to take pride in defeat, and if that fails find the humor in it. That lesson has stayed with me, and I will never let it fade. Memories like that are what make him so special to all of us, because we all have some way he has touched our hearts. He has given all of us so many fond memories and we will cherish them forever.

jake smart - March 29 at 09:07 AM



“ Nice Job Jake love you

jeffrey smart - March 29 at 09:37 AM



“ Beautiful job Jake. I love you.

Michelle - March 29 at 01:59 PM



“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Chris Anderson - March 28 at 09:21 PM



“ Dylan and I were happy to see Uncle Dick when we visited NH. Great time laughing with him.

Chris Anderson - March 28 at 09:23 PM



“ 1 file added to the album LifeTributes



Tracy McMurray - March 28 at 08:13 PM



“ Uncle Rich enjoyed life and being with his family more than anything. He had a very special way of making everyone feel like they were his favorite. He is greatly missed.

Tracy McMurray - March 28 at 08:20 PM



“ Great pic!

Michelle - March 28 at 11:18 PM



“ Richard T Hodgkins has been in my life 45 years through helping Michelle and I rebuild a home to four beautiful births of our children he was always there. He was a man of few words so when he talked I listened and so did my kids. I'm so glad Michelle and I spent so much time with them enjoying outdoor music venues in Florida and seeing how much they enjoyed their time with all their friends at Whiskey Creek. In all those years I never saw him even raise his voice. The way he was with my children through his whole life was priceless even if they mowed his lawn into a baseball diamond. I will truly miss your family leadership and loving nature. Love You Jeff

jeffrey smart - March 28 at 10:52 AM