



Jeanne P. Brown

March 8, 2026

Jeanne P. (Aiken) Brown, a longtime resident of Hudson, New Hampshire, passed away peacefully at her home on Sunday, March 8, 2026, after a short illness, surrounded by her loving family.

Jeanne was the daughter of the late John Kenneth Aiken and Mary Pauline (Bain) Aiken. She was predeceased by her beloved husband, Russell E. Brown, Jr.; her sister, Doris E. (Aiken) Stuart; and her partner of 18 years, James Murphy.

From the time she was 11 years old, Jeanne had a deep love of horses. Inspired by her grandfather, who had been a head groomsman while living in Scotland, she took every opportunity to ride or simply spend time with horses. She also had a lifelong affection for animals and loved dogs, cats, and other small pets. Jeanne cherished Lake Champlain and spent many happy summers there from childhood through adulthood.

Jeanne graduated from Springfield High School in Springfield, Vermont, where she shared her musical talents by playing piano at school events. After graduation, she attended the University of Vermont with the goal of becoming a dental hygienist. However, after one year she left school to care for her mother.

Jeanne married Russell E. Brown, Jr. after he completed basic training in the military. She then began life as an Air Force wife, moving from base to base before they were stationed at Shaw Air Force Base. Three months after the birth of their daughter, the family left military life and Jeanne began the next chapter of her life raising their four children.

Following the passing of her husband at the age of 48, Jeanne returned to the workforce and worked for Raytheon in Andover, Massachusetts for ten years as a dispatcher.

Later in life, Jeanne found love again with her partner, James Murphy. Together they shared a passion for motorcycles and traveled extensively throughout the United States, as well as to Mexico and England. They also shared a deep love of bluegrass music, traveling throughout New England to attend concerts and festivals in their tag-along trailer.

Jeanne enjoyed baking and cooking for her family and especially loved sewing clothes for her four children when they were young. She also found joy in painting, knitting, and crocheting. Her home was always open to anyone who needed a place to stay, and she was known for her warmth, kindness, and willingness to listen and help others.

Jeanne is survived by her loving children: her daughter Kathleen (Brown) Peterson and Paul Beasley of Derry, NH; her son Russell E. Brown III and his wife Cathleen (Dubois) Brown of Goffstown, NH; her son James K. Brown and his wife Donna (Chantal) Brown of Nashua, NH; and her son Carl A. Brown of Amherst, NH. She also leaves her cherished granddaughters Jennifer (Peterson) Colburn, April Jordan, Erika (Peterson) Soucy, and Candice (Brown) Franscone, along with eleven great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Following cremation, a time of visitation will be held on Saturday, March 14th from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Home, 50 Ferry Street, Hudson, NH. Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly asks that donations be made in Jeanne's loving memory to Hidden Pond Equine Rescue (www.hiddenpondequinerescue.org), a nonprofit horse rescue organization.

A small gathering will be held at Jeanne's home in Hudson following the visitation.

Previous Events

VISITING HOURS

MAR **14**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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



“ Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Jeanne P. Brown



Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes - March 10 at 05:06 PM

DW

A good friend who is missed!

Dave Welch - March 11 at 10:31 AM

JK

You will be missed . Loved our talks and your humor . Welcome home



jessica kozick - March 11 at 09:09 PM

KG

Condolences to you all and thinking of you during this sorrowful time. Our moms were good friends for many years and spent lots of time chit chatting on the phone everyday sharing recipes and gardening tips and neighborhood gossip...lol. I remember them piling all us kids into your mom's station wagon and going over to the Purity Supreme in Pelham to get groceries as my mother didn't drive. Your mom was kind-hearted and was always willing to lend a hand on the farm or wherever it was needed. May the memories bring you comfort and peace.

Kathy Reitan Gagnon

Kathy Gagnon - March 13 at 01:19 PM

DG

I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your mother. Your family was a part of our life during the early years. Our mom's were good friends and would get together with all the kids often on our farm. Kathleen and I were playmates. We spent hours playing with our Barbie dolls. Our mom's crocheted and sewed clothes for them. Your mom was so helpful talking my mom who never drove to do groceries, go to appointments and pick up sick kids from school. They exchanged recipes and did gardening together. Every day they chatted on the phone after getting the kids off to school. She was a good friend and had a good heart. Always willing to help when needed. Those were good years. She lived a good long life so take comfort knowing she is with you always and watching over you all. Two friends will meet again and have lots to catch up on in Heaven. Donna Reitan Gagnon

Donna Gagnon - March 16 at 08:00 PM

DH

“ *So sorry to hear this! I know that Jeanne made my Dad very happy over the years and I'm grateful for the relationship we shared. Rest in peace, my friend!*

Debra (Murphy)Holden

Debra Holden - April 01 at 10:16 PM



“ *I chatted with Jeanne almost every day at Raytheon in Andover, great sense of humor and enjoyed talking to her. A wonderful lady.*

Vivian Trott - March 10 at 08:04 PM