



Raymond Doucette

February 13, 1926 - July 24, 2015

Raymond H. Doucette was born in MA on February 13, 1926 and died in his sleep in the early hours of Friday, July 24, 2015. He was predeceased by his wife, Pauline (Gauthier) Doucette and a grandson Brian Doucette.

Ray had a hard childhood as his mother was chronically ill. As a youngster, he delivered ice to pay for his keep at the boys' home. At 15, he lied about his age to join the US Air Force and fight for his country in WWII. The Air Force took him to tours in Italy and Africa, where he eventually came down with malaria. He later studied to be a Master Electrician at Lowell Tech and went on to become a member of the IBEW and was twice President of the local chapter in the 1950's.

Ray met and courted Pauline Blanche Gauthier, a secretary in the military and graduate of Juilliard in Boston, while they were stationed in Colorado Springs. They moved back to Pauline's hometown of Nashua and were married on July 3, 1947 in St. Patrick's Church on Spring St..

Ray helped build their large cape style family home at 13 Highland St. in Hudson. They raised four children there until 1961 when they moved to a new ranch style home at 8 Chatham St.. Ray and Pauline lived there the majority of their lives until Pauline was stricken with a rare dementia in 1997 and died after nearly 10 years of Ray's devoted personal care in December of 2006.

They had been married for nearly 60 years and after Pauline passed, Ray volunteered his time to drive her wheel chair van to transport people to appointments for the Area Agency on Canal St. in Nashua.

Ray was a founding member and one of the last surviving original members of the Hudson Fish & Game Club. He helped build the current club house facility and hand painted the beautiful road sign that stood for many years to direct people from Lowell Road. Dad loved to hunt and fish and be with his family but he also had to keep busy. He did electrical work on many commercial and residential properties in Southern NH- on and off the clock. He was generous with his skills and with his time and enjoyed being helpful and appreciated. For many years, he did electrical work for Habitat for Humanity. Ray had a strong work ethic and his work was always expertly done.

He was active in the Boy Scouts with his three sons and was a communicant of St. John the Evangelist Church for many years while living in Hudson. He commuted back and forth to their summer place in Wells, Maine where for many years he kept a boat and loved to fish.

Dad loved to whistle and could frequently be heard whistling a happy tune with that distinctive trill made popular by singers like Bing Crosby. It was dad's calling card, along with his smile and subtle wit.

As the years caught up with Ray, he liked to say he was "over forty twice" or "89 and feelin' fine." He went out of his way to not burden people or to be a concern to others. In 2012 Ray's grandson, Michael, moved back from Colorado to care for Ray and to allow for him to stay in his home as long as possible. In his last few years, he gave up his electrician's license and cheerfully attended Day Care at Easter Seals in Manchester while living there with his daughter. He moved into the Veteran's Home in Tilton, NH on Pauline's birthday, August 1, 2013 where he lived until his passing.

Ray is survived by his four loving children; Raymond L. Doucette of Bedford, NH, Michael G. Doucette and his wife Louise of Littleton, NH, Kenneth Doucette of Nashua, NH, Diane Moore and her husband Peter of Manchester, four grandchildren Paula Doucette, Jason Doucette, Michael Doucette, and Jenna Doucette, four great grandchildren Stephanie Doucette, Nicole Doucette, Derek Parker and James Parker.

Visiting hours will be held on Tuesday, July 28th from 4pm-7pm in the DUMONT-SULLIVAN FUNERAL HOME, 50 FERRY ST. IN HUDSON. A funeral mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, July 29th at 9:30am in St. Patrick Church, 29 Spring St., Nashua. All may meet at church. Burial will be in St. Patrick Cemetery in Hudson. In lieu of flowers the family encourages donations be made in Ray's loving memory to the Greater Nashua Habitat for Humanity, PO Box 159, Nashua, NH 03061.

Previous Events

VISITING HOURS

JUL 28. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Home Hudson, NH
50 Ferry Street
Hudson, NH 03051
(603) 882-9431
info@dumontsullivan.com

MASS AT CHURCH

JUL 29. 9:30 AM (ET)

St. Patrick Church
29 Spring St.
Nashua, NH

Tribute Wall



“ *Raymond Doucette*

October 06, 2023 at 08:13 AM



“ *Raymond Doucette*

September 27, 2023 at 04:05 AM



“ *We were very sorry to hear of Raymond's death. It sure looks like he spent his life doing good for others. I remember very well all the days many, many years ago where our families would get together in Hudson and play. And Mike and I would work for the same agency in the State in more recent years. Our condolences on your loss.*

*Pete Riesenber
Swanzey NH*

Peter Riesenber - July 31, 2015 at 05:59 AM



“ *Raymond was a wonderful and kind hearted man. He donated his time to helping the people at Gateways Community Service (Area Agency of Greater Nashua) and for that we will forever be grateful to him. I am terribly sorry for your loss. He will be missed by many.*

*Sincerely,
Gateways Community Services
Sandra Pelletier
President/CEO*

Sandy Pelletier - July 30, 2015 at 01:37 PM

LC

“ *I knew both Pauline and Ray from St. Joseph's Adult Day care. They were both very sweet and kind people. You could see at first meeting how wonderful Ray was with Pauline and everyone he knew.
His children should be glad to have such a wonderful father. May he rest in peace.*

Laura Colquhoun - July 28, 2015 at 07:54 AM

SM

“ *So sorry for your loss. He was a man who cared about others and will be sorely missed. Phyllis Carkin and Sandra Carkin St. Martin*

Sandra St. Martin - July 27, 2015 at 09:11 PM

JS

“ *3 files added to the album New Album Name*



John Spallone - July 27, 2015 at 02:32 PM

DM

Ray loved his meals with you all. He looked forward to being with you.

Diane Moore - July 27, 2015 at 03:59 PM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Raymond Doucette.*



July 27, 2015 at 01:49 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Raymond Doucette.*



July 27, 2015 at 01:44 PM



“ *Lorraine Moore lit a candle in memory of Raymond Doucette*



Lorraine Moore - July 26, 2015 at 04:49 PM



Thanks, Lorraine. Ray was so special to all of us.

Diane Moore - July 27, 2015 at 04:01 PM



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Diane Moore - July 27, 2015 at 04:01 PM

AR

“ Our Family will truly miss your Father, we've had many- many fantastic time with him. Plus we even got to spend time with your Mother, she was a beautiful woman.
He always had his camera with him ,sure not to miss out on taking a group picture ad mad sure everyone got a copy. So I guess this roll has been given to Peter in our family.

Thank you Ray for all the great time we all had together. We all will truly miss you.

P.S. Could you look Dan up for me and give him all my love.

Love to you and your family , Alice Richmond

Alice Richmond - July 26, 2015 at 04:46 PM

DM

Thanks, Alice. I'm not quite as reluctant to leave this world knowing they are on the other side.

Diane Moore - July 27, 2015 at 04:02 PM

AR

“ Alice Richmond lit a candle in memory of Raymond Doucette



Alice Richmond - July 26, 2015 at 04:32 PM

JS

My condolences to Ray's family. I will always remember the many monthly lunches since 2006 and will miss his wit.

John Spallone - July 27, 2015 at 08:40 AM



Thanks, John. Glad we have been able to share so much with you and the Bereavement Group.

Diane Moore - July 27, 2015 at 04:04 PM