



## Richard M. Orleans

August 25, 1940 - February 27, 2017

Richard M. Orleans, 76, of Nashua, died Monday, February 27, 2017 at his home following a period of declining health.

He was born August 25, 1940 in Newton, MA, son of the late Marcel A. and Rose Ann (McGuirl) Orleans. He was also predeceased by a son, Richard W. Orleans, as well as by two brothers, M. Charles Orleans and Robert W. Orleans. He was also predeceased by a son in law, Ronald Gagne.

He was the husband of Mary C. (Rocha) Orleans of Nashua with whom he shared 56 years of marriage.

Richard served his country honorably by enlisting in the United States Coast Guard. He was a Master Plumber, working for several years with Elston & Sons in Lowell, MA, before starting his own company, R M Orleans & Sons Plumbing & Heating. Richard was proudly self employed for over 40 years.

He enjoyed spending time with his children and grandchildren. Whether in the role of a Scout Master or coaching in the Cal Ripken League, Richard took great pride in being with his children and grand children. He was a blue ribbon winner for his home made maple syrup and jams at the NH fairs. Richard was an avid outdoorsman, enjoying camping, fishing, and hunting. He also enjoyed gardening and bowling.

Besides his devoted wife Mary, his loving family includes one son and three daughters; James B. Orleans of Hudson, Deborah A. Orleans of Dandridge, TN, Lori J. (Orleans) Sliz of Nashua, Patricia L. (Orleans) Osterman and her husband Mark of Nashua, 11 grandchildren, Christopher Miller, Amanda Miller, Katherine Miller, Zachary Miller, Branden Orleans, Brianna Orleans, Michael Sliz, Matthew Sliz, Amy Long, Adam Long, Aaron Long, two brothers, Edward A. Orleans and his wife Lena and John "David" Orleans and his wife Charlotte, all of Merrimack, NH, two sisters, Dorothy Levesque and her husband Gerard of Nashua, Helen Nichols and her husband James of Hudson, a very special nephew, Stephen Z. Andrews of Nashua, two brothers in law, Anthony J. Rocha and his wife Marilyn of Maine, Gerald Rocha and his wife Robin of Florida, one sister in law, Carol LeClair of Dunbarton, NH, as well as many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Also, his three lovable cats, Marty, Scooter, and Gary.

Visiting hours will be held on Friday, March 3rd from 4pm - 8pm in the DUMONT-SULLIVAN FUNERAL HOME, 50 FERRY ST. IN HUDSON. A funeral mass will be celebrated on Saturday, March 4th at 10am in Immaculate Conception Parish, 216 East Dunstable Road in Nashua. All may meet at the funeral home at 9am to follow in procession to the church. Following cremation, burial will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Richard's loving memory to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at [www.stjude.org](http://www.stjude.org)

# Previous Events

## VISITING HOURS

MAR 3. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## MASS AT CHURCH

MAR 4. 10:00 AM (ET)

Immaculate Conception Parish  
216 East Dunstable Rd.  
Nashua, NH 03062

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard M. Orleans*



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**Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes** - March 03, 2017 at 04:48 PM



“ *Richard M. Orleans*

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October 06, 2023 at 08:13 AM



“ *Richard M. Orleans*

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September 27, 2023 at 04:05 AM



“ *Bruce & Wendy Desjardins purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Richard M. Orleans.*



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**Bruce & Wendy Desjardins** - March 03, 2017 at 01:36 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard M. Orleans.*



March 03, 2017 at 08:27 AM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard M. Orleans.*



March 02, 2017 at 12:08 PM



“ *One of the most important men in my life when I was growing up. He was a great mentor and role model and helped shape the man I have become today. I dearly loved him like a father and will miss him. Rest in Peace "Mr. Dick".*

**John Maloney** - March 02, 2017 at 08:08 AM



“ *Ahhh.....the old neighborhood. 'Dick' Orleans brings back many wonderful childhood memories; scouting, back yard baseball, goose hunting, warm maple syrup. He was a great role model to all. Thank you, Sir, for helping me grow as a child and young adult. My memories are lifelong and happy.  
PS. Please tell God I said hi. I know you are there with him now.*

**Jay Martinage** - March 02, 2017 at 05:04 AM

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“ Dad...although I said goodbye to you Monday night..it still feels surreal 😞 You were the one and only man in my entire life that has always been there for me. Now you are gone but I know you will still be there to direct me when I need you. I ❤️ you Dad!!! I lit a Rose candle because I know you are with your mother now. Until we see each other again.... rest easy❤️😘



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**Lori Sliz** - March 02, 2017 at 12:47 AM

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“ To Richard Orleans thanks for being the man you were. You inspired me in ways you could not imagine. Thanks for being my second father. You will be missed but I will not forget. Til we meet again in some vineyard far far away....



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**Bruce Miller** - March 01, 2017 at 06:09 PM