



William Rodonis, Jr.

March 13, 1943 - June 23, 2023

William “Bill” J. Rodonis, Jr., 80, of Litchfield, NH, passed away peacefully while surrounded by his loving family on June 23, 2023 at the Southern NH Medical Center in Nashua.

He was born March 13, 1943 in Nashua, NH, son of the late William, Sr., and Ida (Nadeau) Rodonis. William was also predeceased by his son, Tom Rodonis and well as by his daughter, Teresa Rodonis. He was also predeceased by a sister, Mary Ann Nolette.

Bill was the devoted husband of Linda (Adams) Rodonis of Litchfield, NH with whom he would have shared 59 years of marriage this coming September.

Bill’s life was the Rodonis Farm in Litchfield. He grew up on the family farm and started working in the fields as a young boy. Upon his retirement, Bill needed a hobby. He started growing large pumpkins and entered many competitions. Bill won many awards and at one point he even became a world record holder for growing the largest pumpkin.

He also served on many boards: Litchfield Planning Board, National Potato Growers Assoc., as well as VP of New Hampshire Giant Pumpkin Growers Assoc.

Bill enjoyed fishing, scuba diving and camping in their RV with his family. He was very social and frequented many local breakfast restaurants in the area and loved discussing politics and town happenings, etc... with other local townies. But most of all, Bill loved spending time with his family and grandkids.

Besides Bill's beloved wife, Linda, his family includes three sons; John Rodonis and wife Jennifer Rodonis of Hudson, NH, Dave Rodonis and fiancé Julie Gibbons of Manchester, NH, Steve Rodonis and wife Michelle Rodonis of Weare, NH, also, Tom's widow, Jasmine, as well as 12 Grandchildren and 2 Great Grandchildren. Bill is also survived by two brothers; Joe Rodonis and his wife Marilyn of Litchfield, NH, Dickie Rodonis and his wife Diana of Indiana as well as many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Following cremation, a time of visitation will be held on Thursday, June 29th from 10:00am -12:30pm with a Service of Remembrance at 12:30pm in the Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes, 50 Ferry Street, Hudson. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers the family encourages donations be made in Bill's loving memory to www.kidneyfund.org

The Services for Mr. Rodonis will be live-streamed. Please see the following link at 10:00am on Thursday, June 29th. Thank you. <https://my.gather.app/remember/william-rodonis-jr>

Previous Events

VISITING HOURS

JUN **29**. 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



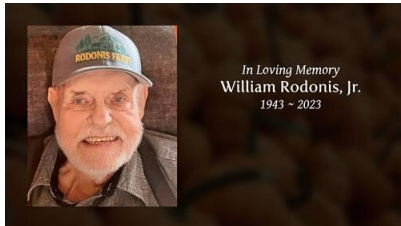
“ Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes & Cremation Services created a Webcast in memory of William Rodonis, Jr.



Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes - June 28, 2023 at 05:21 PM



“ Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of William Rodonis, Jr.



Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes - June 28, 2023 at 09:37 AM

KH

I will miss you so much my friend! I will remember all the stories about the farm & your childhood. The rides around with Bella when you'd come visit when I lived in the old farmhouse. Bringing me freshly picked corn & strawberries. Teaching me & mostly making me laugh. My heartfelt sympathies to Linda & the rest of the family. Fly high Bill ❤️

Kelly Hebert - June 28, 2023 at 11:57 AM



“ *William Rodonis, Jr.*

October 06, 2023 at 08:13 AM



“ *William Rodonis, Jr.*

September 27, 2023 at 04:05 AM



“ *Wilbur SOUTHMAYD JR lit a candle in memory of William Rodonis, Jr.*



Wilbur SOUTHMAYD JR - July 08, 2023 at 04:12 AM



“ *so sorry to hear that you passed on,i found this out just the other day i loved seeing and talking too you many times in my life and your dad at the coffee shops in hudson.r.i.peace BILL.*

Wilbur SOUTHMAYD JR - July 08, 2023 at 04:12 AM



“ *Sonny Fredette lit a candle in memory of William Rodonis, Jr.*



sonny fredette - June 29, 2023 at 12:51 PM

SF

“ I’m so sorry for your loss. He was such a great person he was always happy the world of farming has lost a great farmer he will truly be missed I enjoyed many hours of farming with him in the fields of Litchfield. And hauling produce to market with him

rest in peace my friend

-Sonny fredette

sonny fredette - June 29, 2023 at 12:50 PM

JK

“ All three of my brothers John, James, Peter & I worked on the farm as kids. As an adult I was in a position to help Bill when his health became a concern, as a Massage Therapist. It was an honor & a privilege to be asked to help. rest in peace Bill. Know U were loved & respected far & wide

Joan Kendall - June 29, 2023 at 09:21 AM

JR

“ Thank you Dad— you know I’ve always watched you- ever since I can remember I looked up to you so much. When I was young on the farm, I wanted to be just like you. I watched you as I grew and remembered all of the things you taught me. I have always learned from you. You made me the man I am today. I saw in your eyes when I had my own kids just how proud you were.

Then one day I looked in your eyes and I saw a tear and I knew the pain you have been hiding for years was just too much. Dad, it is so hard to let go of someone you love- and I Love You so much. I promise I will keep trying to make you proud.

Love,
Your son John

John Rodonis - June 28, 2023 at 10:56 AM

DF

“ Donald Fraize lit a candle in memory of William Rodonis, Jr.



Donald Fraize - June 28, 2023 at 07:43 AM

JB

“ The NH Giant Pumpkin Growers Association has lost one of it's most highly recognized NH growers. Bill won many New England competitions in the early 2000's including the Topsfield Fair in 2009. In 2007 he actually held the World Record for 25 minutes with his 1566 lb. Rodonis entry at the Topsfield Fair. Joe Jutras beat him with the final entry of the day that weighed 1689 lbs. and became the new World Record holder. Bills wife Linda was always at his side cheering him on and assisting in the patch. Bill's 1161 seed would become one of the most sought - after seeds in the World. R.I.P. Bill you made NH proud and keep that heavenly pumpkin patch weed free!



Jim Beauchemin - June 27, 2023 at 11:01 AM