

Raymond Douglas, age 91, of Lyndonville, passed away very peacefully Monday, Jan. 11, 2010, at The Pines assisted living facility. He was born in St. Johnsbury on May 23, 1918, the son of Victor and Catherine (Radford) Douglas. He graduated from St. Johnsbury Academy with the Class of 1936. After marrying Virginia Porter of West Burke on Jan. 22, 1942, he served in the U.S. Army in the Southeast Pacific during World War II. Virginia predeceased him on Valentine's Day, 1995. Ray loved people. He followed local sports very closely; it seemed he had his own parking space near the LI alumni office overlooking the football field. He knew every back road there was in the Kingdom. He had a love for the outdoors, whether hunting, gardening or simply sitting in his lawn chair in front of his garage looking down the valley. Ray worked at Tap & Die for over 30 years; he valued an education and worked hard to send both his boys to the University of Vermont. Along the way he also worked at a bakery, a general store, the East Haven radar base, and Danville High School; he took pride that he never missed a paycheck. He is survived by two sons, James R. Douglas and Ms. DJ Shaw of Spring Hill, Tenn., and Steven F. Douglas and wife Susan of Longmeadow, Mass.; three grandchildren, Jennifer Feliz, Tracey Manwaring and Christine Dreidel; seven great-grandchildren; an aunt, Marion Radford of St. Johnsbury; three sisters, Kay Warrell and husband Ralph of St. Johnsbury, Marion Parsons of Dover, N.H., and Madeline Easter of St. Johnsbury; a sister-in-law, Pat Douglas of St. Johnsbury; brother-in-law Robert Porter and wife Rita of Townsend, Mass.; nieces and nephews; close friends and neighbors. Besides his wife, Virginia, he was predeceased by his two brothers, Fred and Robert Douglas. Public graveside services will be held Saturday, May 22 at 11 a.m. at Hillside Cemetery in

West Burke with Mr. John Sleeper officiating. Visiting hours will be held at Guibord Funeral Home, Wednesday evening, Jan. 13, from 6 to 8 p.m. Memorial contributions, marked for the "Resident Activities Fund," may be sent to The Pines Rehabilitation and Health Center, 601 Red Village Road, Lyndonville, VT 05851. His family wishes to convey their sincere appreciation for the loving care their Dad received during his stay at The Pines assisted living facility.