

Patricia Lacroix, 84, of St. Johnsbury, passed away Monday, June 29, 2009, at her home at The Canterbury Inn. She was born Aug. 19, 1924, in Lyndonville, the daughter of Burton D. and Arlene (Blake) Currier. She attended graded schools in Lyndonville and St. Johnsbury and graduated from St. Johnsbury Academy in 1942. On Feb. 18, 1943, she married Frank Lacroix who predeceased her in 1990. Her oldest child Paul Lacroix was killed in Vietnam in 1970. She is survived by her children: Pamela Passut and husband Blaine of St. Johnsbury, Charles Lacroix of Rutland, David Lacroix of Burlington, Kim Gilding and husband Bill of St. Johnsbury; her grandchildren: Tracey Billings, Jeremy Passut and wife Tamara, Lisa Pearson, Michelle Richling and husband John, Becky Gilding and Javier Castillo, Betsy Legendre and husband Ted; great-grandchildren: Matthew, Katie and Jacob; Lydia; Jack; Emma and Ava; and Julia; her sister Joyce Butcher and husband Bob of Rhode Island. Paul's wife, now Roberta Tanner of Lyndonville, always remained close. She is also survived by a sister-in-law Rita Bean and husband Edsel; brother-in-law Richard Lacroix and wife Marjorie; sister-in-law Marie Sham; her very special friend Ann Martin; many nieces, nephews, and cousins. She was also predeceased by a brother Douglas Currier; and brother-in-laws Leo, Omer, and Doria Lacroix. A funeral Mass will be celebrated Friday at 11 a.m. at St. John the Evangelist Church. Cremation will follow the Mass. Burial will be at the convenience of the family at the St. Johnsbury Center Cemetery. There will be no visiting hours. Memorial contributions, marked for "The Activity Fund," may be directed to: Canterbury Inn, 46 Cherry St., St. Johnsbury VT 05819.