

Leah Davis - Obituary

Leah Davis, longtime Pleasant Street resident of St. Johnsbury, passed away Sunday morning, March 24, 2013, at the age of 87 in West Boylston, Mass.

She was born in St. Johnsbury, Vt., on March 31, 1925, the daughter of Ralph and Lillian (Nichols) Kelsey. She graduated from St. Johnsbury Academy with the class of 1943. She was predeceased by her husband Robert W. Davis in 1981.

Leah was an accomplished pianist, wonderful mother and grandmother. Later in her life she worked with flowers at Evergreen Gift Shop on Portland Street. She was a member of the North Congregational Church and was a Sunday school teacher there.

She is survived by three of her four children: Bruce L. Davis and wife Cathy of Racine, Wis., Lynn R. Paradis and husband Maurice of Littleton, N.H., Dr. Steven M. Davis and wife Dr. Mary Ellen of West Boylston, Mass.; her six precious grandchildren: Bruce and Cathy's son Tyler Davis, Lynn and Maurice's two daughters Kristi Paradis and Jamie Torres, Steven and Mary Ellen's three children Robbie, Michael and Meredith Davis. She was predeceased by her youngest child Marty in 1991. She is survived by a brother Dean Kelsey and his wife Darlene, a sister Anita Clement, brother-in-law Paul Ekborg, sister-in-law Theresa Kelsey, sister-in-law Eileen Mitchell as well as several nieces and nephews. She was also predeceased by sisters Doris and Candy, and brothers Larry and Dwight.

Memorial services will be held in St. Johnsbury on Saturday, June 8, at 11 a.m. at the North Congregational Church. The pastor, the Rev. Jay

Sprout, will officiate. Burial will have taken place at the Lyndon Center Cemetery.

Memorial contributions could be directed to and of the following: The North Congregational Church (1325 Main St., St. Johnsbury, VT 05819), Juvenile Diabetes Association (www.jdrf.org or mailed to JDRF, 26 Broadway, 15th Fl, New York, NY 10004), or to St. Johnsbury Academy (marked for the class of '43, P.O. Box 906, St. Johnsbury, VT 05819).

Sayles Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.