

Donald Blodgett Obituary

Donald Fairbanks Blodgett, Jr., 80, of Nashua, N.H., died Sunday, Jan. 2, 2011, at St. Joseph Hospital in Nashua, N.H.

Mr. Blodgett was born July 6, 1930, in St. Johnsbury, Vt., the son of the late Donald Fairbanks and Bertha Lula (Silsby) Blodgett. He was the husband of Carol (Austin) Blodgett of Nashua. They were married Oct. 11, 1958, in Columbia, S.C.



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Mr. Blodgett was a graduate of St. Johnsbury Academy and went on to study engineering at the University of South Carolina, where he was a member of the engineering honor society, Tau Beta Pi. After college, he served in the United States Navy aboard the U.S.S. Macon, where he achieved the rank of lieutenant.

Mr. Blodgett was an active member of St. Luke's Anglican Church in Amherst, N.H.

He enjoyed classical music, genealogy and stargazing as well as anything outdoors, from gardening to hunting and was a proud member of the NRA. He was a master woodworker who created beautiful furniture for family and friends. He also crafted remarkable dollhouses with amazing detail for each of his granddaughters. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Blodgett had been employed as an electrical engineer at Lockheed Sanders for 25 years.

Mr. Blodgett is survived by his wife, Carol; his son, Steven L. Blodgett of Nashua, N.H.; three daughters and two sons-in-law, Stephanie L. Blodgett, of West Milford, N.J., Jami G. Bascom and husband Thomas J. of Greenfield, N.H., and Stacey L. Ferraro and husband Thomas D. of Kinnelon, N.J.; one brother, Theron H. Blodgett and wife Patricia of Atlantic Beach, Fla; one sister, Theodora H. Farr and husband Nelson of Fairhaven, Vt.; a brother-in-law, James L. Austin and wife Betty Ann of Winston Salem, N.C.; a sister-in-law, Barbara G. Austin of Columbia, S.C.; and five grandchildren, Julia C. Bascom, Peter T. Bascom, Emily A. Bascom, Johanna M. Goergen and Andreas M. Goergen; several nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours will be held Friday Jan. 7, 2011, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Davis Funeral Home, 1 Lock St., Nashua, N.H.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday at 10 a.m. at St. Luke's Church, 3 Limbo Lane, Amherst, N.H. Burial will take place at a later date at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, St. Johnsbury, Vt.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Luke's Church, 3 Limbo Lane, Amherst, NH 03031; the NH Association For The Blind, McGreal Sight Center, 25 Walker St., Concord, NH 03301; or the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Central New England Chapter, 101A First Avenue, Suite 6, Waltham, MA 02451-1115.

The Davis Funeral Home, 1 Lock St., Nashua, N.H., has been placed in charge of arrangements, www.davisfuneralhomenh.com. "One memory lights another."