

Edwin Houghton, 75

Edwin H. "Mickey" Houghton, of Lyndon, died Thursday afternoon, May 26, 2005, at The Pines Rehabilitation and Health Center in Lyndon, at the age of 75. He was born Jan. 22, 1930, in Lyndonville, son of the late Paul A. and Ruby L. (Page) Houghton. Mickey graduated from Lyndon Institute's Class of 1948. In 1949 he graduated from the Vermont School of Agriculture in Randolph, Vt. On Oct. 31, 1950, he married Beryle Rivers. Mickey worked for many years as a carpet and linoleum installer for Sullivan's Furniture in St. Johnsbury, and later for Paul's Wayside Furniture in Lyndon, and after that he worked as a self-employed flooring installer. He had also worked for Palmer Brothers Dry-cleaning in St. Johnsbury; DHIA as a milk tester at area farms; and for 18 years he worked as the custodian at Lyndon Corner Graded School. Memberships include Green Mountain Grange 1, Shepard Pomona Grange, Vermont State Grange, Enterprise Grange of Lyndon Corner, and was a past president of the Lyndon Historical Society. He also taught history and gave slide shows to local schoolchildren, and worked on the Fairbanks Museum Craft Days for many years. He and his wife, Beryle, operated a private museum of various collections in their home for many years as well. Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Beryle Houghton of Lyndon; a son, Paul C. Houghton and his wife Carmen of Concord; two daughters and their husbands, Kathleen and Lawrence Simpson of Lyndon, and Beth and Lyle Degreenia of East Haven; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; a brother, Phil Houghton of Kirby; a sister, Pauline Taylor and her husband Albert of Kirby; a sister-in-law, Laura Rivers of Concord; a brother-in-law, William Bedor of Littleton, N.H.; and nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a son, Dana S.S. Houghton in 1978; two sisters-in-law, Dorothy Houghton and Winona Bedor; and a brother-in-law, Carlisle Rivers. Funeral services will be held Sunday, May 29, at 1 p.m. at Guibord Funeral Home with Mr. John Sleeper officiating. Burial will follow at Lyndon Center Cemetery. Friends may meet with the family Saturday evening from 6-8 at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, donations made in Mickey's memory may be directed to the Fairbanks Museum, 1302 Main

St., St. Johnsbury, VT 05819; or to The Pines Patient Activities Fund, 601 Red Village Road, Lyndonville, VT 05851. Arrangements are by Guibord Funeral Home, located on the corner of Main and Center streets, Lyndonville.