

Roland Wayne Letourneau, a St. Johnsbury resident, passed away Thursday, July 30, 2009, at The Pines Health & Rehab. Center. He was 79. The son of Arthur W and Clara M. (Hallett) Letourneau, he was born Dec. 2, 1929, in St. Johnsbury. He served in the U S Navy during the Korean Conflict. He married Mary Ellen Kenney July 4, 1955 in St. Johnsbury. Roland was a member of St. John's Church, serving on the Parish Counsel, was a Knight of Columbus, he coronated adoration for many years. He enjoyed the Navy reunions, hunting and hunting camp with his buddies, woodworking, boy scouts, the camp on Miles Pond, he was especially proud of his wife and family, as well as reinstating the Trade School Alumni Reunions after several missed years and then turning the records over to the St. Johnsbury Academy to be maintained. Roland is survived by his loving wife of 54 years, Mary of St. Johnsbury; his four children and their spouses, Wayne (and Allison) Letourneau of Burlington, Tina (and Francis) Drake of Lebanon, N.H., Patricia (and David) Henderson of Essex Junction, Pamela (and Derrick) Fallon of Randolph; brother Lowell Letourneau of Burlington; brothers-in-law, Freddy (and Gloria) Kenney, Floyd Kenney, Stephen (and Nancy) Burgess; sisters-in-law, Marie (and Alan) Letourneau of Barton, Helen K. Bedor of Lyndonville; grandchildren, Benjamin Letourneau and fiancée Caitlin of N. Andover, Mass., Brian Letourneau and partner Katrina of Plant City, Fla., Casey, Sean, and Christina Drake of Lebanon, N.H., Chelsea and Jared Henderson of Essex Junction, Colin and Ian Fallon of Randolph, Neb.; and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents, brothers, Alan and twin Russell, mother-in-law, Catherine T. Burgess, sisters-in-law, Gloria (Lowell) Letourneau and Hilda K. Daigle. Visiting hours will be Sunday, Aug. 2, from 5 to 7 p.m., at

Pearsons Funeral Home. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Monday, Aug. 3, 11 a.m., at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, with Rev. Patrick Forman, celebrant. Interment with Military Honors will follow at St. Johnsbury Center Cemetery. Memorial contributions in Roland's name are requested to the Good Shepherd Catholic School, 121 Maple St, Johnsbury, VT 05819 or the St. Johnsbury Trade School Alumni Association, Streter / Trafton Fund c/o St. Johnsbury Academy or a charity of ones choice.