

Ann Marie Dennison, 76, of St. Johnsbury, passed away Wednesday evening, March 17, 2010, at Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital, surrounded by her children. She was born Aug. 16, 1933, in Berlin, N.H., the daughter of Albert and Marie (Deal) Desrochers. She attended Berlin graded schools and graduated from St. Johnsbury Academy in 1951. She was predeceased by her husband Charles and their daughter Melody, and later in life by her special friend Bert Bertolini. Ann Marie was very proud of her work as founding executive director of RCT (Rural Community Transportation). Every year she looked forward to attending the challenging national meetings throughout the country. She enjoyed holiday gatherings with family and attending her grandchildren's events. She very much enjoyed watching the birds and wildlife. She is survived by three of her four children, Michele English and husband Gerald of Glover, Mark Dennison of Lyndonville, and Crystal Rutledge and husband Steven of Waterford; nine grandchildren, Jason and Ryan Larocque, Ami and Gerry English, Kelly Dennison, Krystal Morton, and Katie Wilkerson, and Dylan and Jared Rutledge; 11 great-grandchildren; her brother Paul Desrochers of St. Johnsbury; two sisters, Carmen Repaz of St. Johnsbury, and Elaine Pelkey of Lyndonville; nieces and nephews. This Saturday, beginning at 1 p.m., friends and family will gather informally at Sayles Funeral Home. At 2:45 p.m. a simple service and tribute will conclude the gathering. The celebration of her life will continue at the Rutledge home in Waterford. Memorial contributions, payable to "Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital" and marked in Ann Marie Dennison's memory, may be sent to Norris Cotton Cancer Center North, attn. Jim Flynn, P.O. Box 905, St. Johnsbury VT 05819.