

**Bruce J. Harpin**, of Passumpsic, and a former Fairbanks employee, passed away Monday evening, June 22, 2009, at the age of 73. He had resided at the St. Johnsbury Health & Rehab Center for the past four years. He was born in St. Johnsbury on Aug. 26, 1935, and was the son of Robert and Julia (Bruce) Harpin. He is survived by his wife Pauline and their son Paul L. Harpin (PO Box 828, Lyndonville VT 05851); two sons by previous marriage, John Harpin, of Putney, and Mark Harpin and wife Debbie, of East St. Johnsbury and their extended family; step-son Welcome DeGreenia; step-daughter Cindy Mason; Welcome's daughter Maggie Corkins; Cindy's children Terry Mason, Welcome Mason, Megan Mason and Megan's boyfriend Benjamin Stevens; as well as cousins, nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a sister Roberta Harran. Funeral services will be held this Saturday, June 27, at 2 p.m., at the East Barnet Church. The pastor, the Rev. John Tremblay, will officiate. A light reception will follow the service. Memorial contributions could be left at the church, or to Northeast Kingdom Animal Shelter, PO Box 462, St. Johnsbury VT 05819.