

Patricia L. (Bean) Garand

Patricia L. (Bean) Garand, wife of Arnold J. Garand, of Waterford, Vt., passed away at home Sunday morning, June 17, 2007, after a long illness. She was born in Sutton, Vt., Oct. 16, 1934, the daughter of Winfred and Hazel (Taylor) Bean. Patty attended schools in East Burke, Vt., and Lyndonville, Vt., and graduated from Lyndon Institute in 1953. In her early years, she worked as a secretary at Fairbanks Morse and Goss Tire Company. She was an excellent homemaker, devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She was very family-orientated. She loved gardening (especially flowering plants), sports, music and games, especially bingo. Patty and Arnold lost two of their seven children, Lynette in 1994 and Mark in 2000. She is survived by her husband, Arnold of Waterford (495 Lawrence Road, 05819); five children, Gary Garand and Faye Bradley of North Danville, Vt., Robbie Garand and Mary Fortin of St. Johnsbury, Pamela Spencer and husband Ted of St. Johnsbury, Peter Garand of St. Johnsbury, and Greg Garand and Deborah Guinard of St. Johnsbury; 17 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; brothers Calvin Bean of Taylorsville, Utah, Benny Bean and wife Marjorie of Lyndonville, and Larry Bean of St. Johnsbury; and her sister, Elizabeth "Susie" Pearson of Westfield, Mass. She was predeceased by two brothers, Melvin Bean and Winfred "Peanut" Bean. Visiting hours will be held at the Sayles Funeral Home Thursday evening 6-8 p.m. The family will observe a private burial service the following day. Memorial contributions, marked in Patty's name, could be directed to Caledonia Home Health, P.O. Box 383, St. Johnsbury, VT 05819. Arnold wants to thank the nurses and doctors at NVRH and at Norris Cotton Cancer Center, and especially the nurses at Caledonia Home Health Care for their loving care. Sayles Funeral Home is located at 525 Summer St., St. Johnsbury, Vt., 05819.