



East Thetford, VT - Robert J. "Frog" Fournier, 78, died Friday July 24, 2015 at home in East Thetford.

He was born September 22, 1936 a son of Albert and Elizabeth (Roy) Fournier in St. Johnsbury, VT. Robert graduated from St. Johnsbury Academy before enlisting in the US Air Force where he served in Thule, Greenland. He was married to Joan Berwick in 1959 and they were later divorced. After returning from his military service, Frog began working at Ralston Purina in St. Johnsbury where he worked for almost 20 years until they closed. He then began at ET & HK Ide where he worked until retiring. Frog moved to East Thetford when he married Jill McAllister, June 18, 1988 on Lake Spofford, NH, they have made their home in East Thetford since.

Mr. Fournier was very active at St. Anthony's Church in White River Jct. where he served in many church events. He enjoyed fishing and hunting, especially rabbit hunting as well as sugaring each spring, gardening and feeding the birds at home. Frog was an avid New York Giants fan and also enjoyed candlepin bowling, horseshoes and dancing at the VFW in White River Jct. on Saturday nights.

He is survived by his wife, Jill, of East Thetford; a daughter Susan E. Patten of North Haverhill, NH; two sons Robert P. Fournier and Richard E. Fournier both of McIndoe Falls, VT; step daughters Kimberly Gilleney of Rutland, MA, Dona Welch of Bradford, VT and Tawnya Stark of Grantham, NH; a step son Randy Hurlbert of Corinth, VT; 17 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren; a brother Donald Fournier of Norco, CA, a

brother-in-law Raymond Garand of Norway, ME and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his sister Frances Garand.

A funeral service will be held at the Knight Funeral Home in White River Jct. on Wednesday at 1PM with burial following in the cemetery next to Frog's house on Stevens Road in East Thetford.

Contributions in his memory may be made to St. Anthony's Church, 15 Church St., White River Jct., VT 05001 or Visiting Nurse and Hospice for VT and NH, P.O. Box 976, White River Junction, VT 05001.