Bonnie Griffin , 67, of St. Johnsbury, Vt., passed away Dec. 27, 2006, at her home surrounded by her family and friends. Bonnie was born Nov. 21, 1939, in Newport, Vt., the daughter of Shirley (Rogers) and Gordon Boardman. Bonnie attended schools in St. Johnsbury, graduating from the Academy in 1957. Bonnie graduated from Mount Sinai School of Nursing in 1961 and later became a pediatric nurse practitioner. Bonnie married Michael H. Griffin in Longmont, Colorado in 1964, and Bonnie and Michael adopted two children and were foster parents to many, many more. Bonnie worked at numerous hospitals in Vermont, Washington, D.C., Miami, Fla., Boston, Mass., and Colorado. She also worked in the office of Dr. David Toll with whom she founded the Child Health Center. Bonnie worked for Caledonia Home Health, Planned Parenthood, the Teen Parent Program, the Wellness Center, and as school nurse for Cornerstone and Caledonia schools. Bonnie and Michael also ran an antique business. In 1987, Bonnie was selected by Umbrella as the Wonder Woman for that year. Bonnie and Michael received an award as Foster Parents of the Year. Bonnie was recently honored as a Founding Mother of Umbrella at their 30th anniversary celebration. Bonnie served on the board of the Griffin House. Bonnie is survived by two daughters, Michelle Griffin of St. Johnsbury and her special friend Lee Smith of Monroe, N.H., and Norene Menard and her husband Stephen Johnson and children Brie-Anna Menard, Halie Johnson and Scott Johnson of Littleton, N.H.; her mother, Shirley Boardman of St. Johnsbury; her sister, Julie Boardman of St. Johnsbury; three aunts, Vivian Freeman of Orange, Frieda Powell of Haines City, Fla., and Phyllis Powers of Lyndonville; nieces and nephews Aryn Holloway (Blaine), Callan Boardman, Brendan Boardman (Kristian Burt), Elaine Ducharme

(Anthony), Lance Boardman (Angela), and all of their families, as well as many cousins. Bonnie is also survived by the many foster children who lived in her home. Special among them are Alicia Persons, Sarah Eastman Mott, Robin Boutin, Lisa Levesque, Annette Searles, Christopher Griffin, and their families. Bonnie also leaves behind many devoted friends. Bonnie was predeceased by her husband, Michael Griffin; her father, Gordon Boardman; and her brothers, Lance Boardman and James Boardman. Bonnie loved Michael, her family, auctions, antiques, pickin' and yardin', music, children - especially babies, camp at Martin's Pond, going to Maine, seafood, spending money, cats, lambs, dancing, concerts, a good party, pig roasts - no head on, to be in charge, nursing, the telephone, going to Loon Lake, traveling to visit friends, dollies and pretty things, earrings and large brooches, being pampered, having her nails done, Christmas, helping people in the community, her gardens, sewing, going to the theater, her spinning group, reading, arguing politics, forced family fun, baking bread and cooking, a good movie, and old friends. A memorial service will be held on Jan. 14, 2007, at the North Congregational Church in St. Johnsbury at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Jay Sprout officiating. Donations may be made in Bonnie's name to Umbrella, Caledonia Home Health, or the charity of your choice.