



EDWARD J. COUTURE FERRISBURGH - Edward J. Couture, 67, passed away on Friday, July 24, 2009, in Porter Medical Center in Middlebury. He was born on Feb. 23, 1942, in Newbury, Vt., the son of the late Judes and Beulah (Bean) Couture. He attended St. Johnsbury Academy and St. Johnsbury Trade School. He married Jacqueline Bijolle November 1960. Edward worked in Littleton, N.H. at Connor and Hoffman Shoe Factory, and Wayne Building Material in St. Johnsbury Center. He moved to Newport and worked for Prouty & Miller Lumber Yard for five years, and was district manager for three locations in Vergennes, Newport, and St. Johnsbury. Edward purchased Vergennes Building Supply from Prouty and Miller in 1987, and he built his home in Ferrisburgh. He retired in 2005, and continued to live in Ferrisburgh. His hobbies were horses, UVM sports, golf, tractors, dogs, and going out for dinner with his friends. He was a member of Vergennes Lions Club, Eagles Club in Vergennes, and Elks Club in Burlington. Devoted husband, father, and grandfather. Edward is survived by his wife of 48 years, Jacqueline Couture of Ferrisburgh; three children, Joe Couture and wife Teal of Charlotte, Matt Couture and wife Brittany of Addison, Michelle and

husband Steven Heitkamp of St. Albans; six grandchildren, Nate, Nicole, Korbin, Jamison, Araeya, and Andrew; four sisters, Leah, Alberta, Blanche, and Josephine; several nieces and nephews. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, July 28, in St. Peter's Catholic Church in Vergennes. Interment will be in Union Cemetery in Ferrisburgh. Friends may call at Brown-McClay Funeral Home in Vergennes on Monday, July 27, from 6 to 8 p.m. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to [American Heart Association](#) , 434 Hurricane Lane, Williston, VT 05495, or [American Diabetes Association](#) , 77 Hegeman Ave., Colchester, VT 05446.