

DANFORTH: Willis K. "Bill," of North Concord, died peacefully surrounded by his family at Weeks Medical Center in Lancaster, Saturday morning, June 21, 2003, on his 60th birthday. He was born in St. Johnsbury June 21, 1943, the son of Irving and Mary Etta (Meigs) Danforth. He married Lorraine Hale of Sheffield. Music was always important in the Danforth family. He was "The Shuffler" and lead singer in the Barnyard Shufflers country western band. He also played with Terry and the Country Americans for years, and the Danforth Brothers. He loved hunting and fishing, spending time with family and especially his grandchildren. He drove truck for Wausau Carriers. He is survived by his wife, Lorraine of North Concord; son Brian Danforth and wife Karen and children Megan and Miranda; daughter Alicia Burnham and husband Sunday and children Christopher and Jessica; son Tracy Danforth and wife Darlene and children Melissa and Sarah of Lancaster; a brother, Frank Danforth of North Concord; a sister, Phyllis Wiley of Florida; and nieces, nephews and close friends. Graveside services will be held Wednesday, June 25 at 10 a.m. at Grove Cemetery in East St. Johnsbury. The Rev. Melvin A. Richardson will officiate. There will be no visiting hours. Memorial contributions, marked in his name for the Oncology Clinic, may be sent to Weeks Medical Center, 173 Middle St., Lancaster, NH 03584.