

Truman N. Persons, 61, passed away at home Thursday, Dec. 28, 2006. He was born in St. Johnsbury on Aug. 26, 1945, one of 14 children born to Helen (Davis) and Milo Persons Sr. His oldest brother, Milo Jr., died before him as well as six sisters: Priscilla Paquin, Clara Young, Edith Choate, Margaret Knott, Marion Gillander, and an infant sister Edith. A Vietnam veteran, he was a member of the VFW #793 and the American Legion Post #58. Truman graduated from St. Johnsbury Trade School in 1965 and was a longtime area auto mechanic. Most recently Truman worked on cars at his brother Dewey's garage. He had previously worked at Vinton Motors and stayed there through both the Kelton and McCormick ownerships. He is survived by three brothers and three sisters: Delano Persons of St. Johnsbury, Dewey Persons of St. Johnsbury, Wilbur Persons of Waterbury, Lucy Elliott of Connecticut, Mary Wentzell of Nashua, N.H., and Beverly Richardson of Burlington; cousins, nieces and nephews. Graveside services will be held Thursday, May 17, 2007, at 11 a.m. at the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery with Mr. John Sleeper officiating. Anyone wishing to attend is welcome. Memorial contributions could be directed to "DAV Transportation Department" for support of the DAV transport van. Such contributions could be sent to VA Medical Center, att: Bob Nicodemus, 215 North Main St., White River Jct., VT 05009.