

Barbara J. Gervais, 59, of St. Johnsbury, died peacefully on Saturday, May 9, 2009, at her home surrounded by her family. She passed away of a long courageous battle with cancer. She had a beautiful soul with a lot of strength. She was born Dec. 14, 1949, the daughter of Kenneth and Adria (Worster) Wright. She attended The Seventh Day Adventist School and Church when she was young. She graduated from St. Johnsbury Academy in 1968. On Dec. 14, 1968, she married Paul M. Gervais, before he entered the Vietnam War. Her family speaks of her as a devoted mother and great friend. She cared immensely for her family, just as her family cared for her. Her family was her life. She simply was an amazing woman, a fun spirit who loved to laugh. She will be greatly missed by her family. She enjoyed the simple things in life, such as spending quality time with all of her family, going for rides and out to dinner all over the Northeast Kingdom with her mother, Adria. She loved going to the movies and spending the day with her daughters, Karena and Sherri. She also enjoyed spending time in the White Mountains with her family and loved taking her granddaughter, Hailey, to Clarke's Bears. A recent fond memory was her family reunion spent at Harvey's Lake. She shared many good times with her friends, even her pets she loved dearly, Jasper and Bella. She is survived by her two daughters, Karena (Gervais) Parrish of St. Johnsbury and Sherri Gervais and boyfriend Mark Dekoeyer of Passumpsic; her mother, Adria (Worster) Wright of St. Johnsbury; two brothers, Kenneth Wright and wife Ginger of Grand Blanc, Mich., and Pastor Richard Wright and wife Trudy of Poland, Maine; her granddaughter, Hailey Parrish, of St. Johnsbury; and nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by her husband, Paul Gervais, her father, Kenneth Wright, and a sister, Carol (Wright) Stuart. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the

American Cancer Society, 121 Connor Way, Suite 240, Williston, VT 05495. Upon her request, a burial service will be held for family and close friends at the North Monroe Cemetery on Sunday, May 17, at 11 a.m. Her brother, Pastor Richard Wright, will officiate. A special thanks to all of her family and friends who visited her during her illness. Thanks to Ann, Sheila, Sarah, Tom, Andrew and Rowan. Also, a special thanks to Dr. Ajamie, Home Health & Hospice and Adria Wright (Barbara's mother) for their care of Barbara.