

Alden W. "Al" **Eaton**, 81, of Kirby, died peacefully Monday morning Oct. 7, 2013 at The Pines Rehabilitation and Health Ctr. in Lyndon with his loving family by his side.

He was born July 19, 1932 in Worcester, Mass. the son of Spencer and Eleanor (Way) **Eaton**. He graduated from Keene, N.H. High School in 1951. Later, he graduated from the University of New Hampshire with a Bachelor's degree in Liberal Arts. AL served his country in the US Navy during the Korean War. In 1959 he married Terry Montgomery.

In 1959-1960 he worked at Bowdoin College in Brunswick, Maine. Mr. **Eaton** then taught high school in Billings, Mont. for two years and at Lancaster and White Mountain Regional High School in New Hampshire for six years. In 1969 he began a 25-year career with St. Johnsbury Academy in St. Johnsbury, Vt. where he was a dedicated biology and chemistry teacher and coach, retiring in 1994. While at ST. J. A., Mr. **Eaton** coached the Cross Country Track Team and the Ski Team. He was a long distance runner himself and enjoyed running the back roads of the Northeast Kingdom.

An active member of his Kirby community, Al served the town in different positions including lister and justice of the peace. He could be found helping his friends and neighbors sugaring, haying or working and cleaning up his own woods. He enjoyed watching wildlife and spending time with his family.

Survivors include his wife Terry of Kirby; their three children, Norma Shepherd and husband LeRoy of Brooklyn, N.Y., William **Eaton** and wife Paula of Essex Jct. and David **Eaton** of Burlington; five grandchildren, Chrissie, Tyler, Kiersten, Ryan and Lauren; his sister in-law, Diane **Eaton** of Clinton Corners, N.Y.; and three nephews.

He was predeceased by his parents; his brother, John **Eaton** and an infant son, John Jeffrey **Eaton**.

Friends may gather at the **Eaton** home in Kirby this Saturday Oct. 12 from 2-4 p.m.

Donations made in his memory may be directed to CALEX Ambulance Service, P. O. Box 570, St. Johnsbury, VT 05819. Guibord Funeral Home of Lyndonville is assisting the family with arrangements.

