

... Blanche C. Gosselin Hamanne



Blanche C. (Gosselin) Hamanne, 93, of Randolph, NH passed away on Wednesday February 4, 2015 at the Hanover Hill Health Care Center in Manchester, NH. She was born in Berlin on September 1, 1921, the daughter of Joseph and Clara (Lafleur) Gosselin. She moved to Florida in 1981 and returned to the area in 2009. Blanche graduated from Berlin High School in 1940 and received her certificate as an LNA. She was employed by North Country Florist and The Inn @ Bowman. She was the past President of the Berlin Professionals Women Club, a former Girl Scout leader, a volunteer at Sanford, FL hospital, President of Orange City Extension Services, held office with Salvation Army Volunteers, was a member of the Red Hat Society of Orange County, FL and enjoyed quilting, sewing, baking and ironing.

Family includes her children Solange Mears of Athens, GA, Francine Hamanne of Orange City, FL, Clarice Girouard and husband Robert of Manchester, NH, Jerry Hamanne and partner Rich Wallingford of Randolph, NH and Leo Hamanne and wife Brenda of Hollis, NH; grandchildren: Brian, Heather, and Derek Mears, Brad, Carl, John and Michael Girouard, Tiffany, Dustin and Joshua Hamanne; 16 great-grandchildren: Dale and Jenna Mears, Wesley Seefried and Cassidy Mears, Char-

lotte, Owen and Wyatt Mears, Tyler and Haleigh Huot, Sebastian and Riley Huot, Ethan and Ainsley Girouard, Lucy, Willow and Hope Girouard, Oliver and Maxwell Dustin; brother Robert Gosselin and wife Ann of Deltona, FL; sisters Marie Dion of Fort Pierce, FL and Jeanne Fortier of Windermere, FL; special extended family Pete and Janine Larin of Berlin, nieces, nephews and cousins. She was predeceased by her husband George E. Hamanne (1997), her sisters Gertrude Gosselin and Olive Vaillancourt and grandson Richie Huot.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on February 14, 2015 at Holy Family Church in Gorham. Interment is in the Holy Family Cemetery. Donations in her memory may be made to the Girl Scouts of Green and White Mountains for Sunset Valley, PO Box 10832, Bedford, NH, 03110.

... Diane C. Stiles

Diane C. Stiles, 55, of Randolph, NH, passed away on Wednesday August 19, 2015 as a result of injuries received in an automobile accident in Maine. She was born in Berlin on January 8, 1960 the daughter of Gerard and Olive (Dupuis) Albert and was a lifelong resident of the area. She had been employed by Moe's Variety Store for many years, was a member of Holy Family Church and the Dupont-Holmes Post #82 American Legion Auxiliary. She loved knitting, sewing, fixing things, being out at camp and spending time traveling to see her grandchildren.

Family includes her husband Gregory S. Stiles of Randolph, NH; daughter Michele Vaughan and husband Russell of Cumming, GA; sons Richard Theberge, Jr. and wife Jessica of Conway, NH and Lanson Stiles of Berlin, NH; grandchildren PFC Keenan Aldrich, Lakelee, Connor, Landon, Lexi and Eva; brothers Gerald Albert and significant other Maureen of Norway, ME and Richard Albert of AZ; sister Louise Corcoran and husband Jim of Hinesburg, VT; sister-in-law Joyce Stewart and husband Malcolm of Concord, NH; nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts, great nieces and great nephews.

Interment is in the Hillcrest Cemetery, Milan. Donations may be made to the Bryant Funeral Home, 180 Hillside Ave., Berlin, NH, 03570 to assist the family with funeral expenses.



... Ernest A. Demers

Ernest A. Demers, 79, of Randolph, NH, died on July 7, 2015 as a result of a motor vehicle accident in Jackson. He was born in Cascade, NH on February 25, 1936, the son of Louis and Antoinette (Morin) Demers and graduated from Notre Dame High School in Berlin. Ernest served with the US Navy for six years and was employed by the United States Postal Service for 25 years, retiring as postmaster of the Gorham, NH Post Office. He was a member of Holy Family Church where he was an active volunteer. He enjoyed coordinating the decoration of the church for holidays and formerly taught CCD. He was an avid golfer and a member of the Androscoggin Valley Country Club. Ernest also enjoyed ice skating, gardening, and sewing.

His most enduring and passionate hobby was fine art painting. He was an incredibly talented artist who specialized in still lifes and landscapes. He painted mainly in oils, but also worked in watercolors and pastels. His still lifes featured fine collectibles, flowers, fruit, and ribbons in a variety of studio arrangements, and his landscapes reflected many of this area's beautiful natural surroundings, often painted en plein air.



Ernest was a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and brother who was very close to his family and enjoyed sharing time with them. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Denise (Langlois) Demers of Randolph, NH; sons Luke Demers and wife Lorri of West Boylston, MA and Kevin Demers of New Britain, CT; grandchildren Brian Demers and wife Amanda and Neil Demers; great-grandchild Lucia Demers; brothers Robert Demers and wife Jeanne of Gorham, NH and Norman Demers and companion Verlie Rajaniemi of Gorham, NH; sister-in-law Jeannette Demers of Berlin; nieces, nephews and cousins. He was predeceased by his brother Peter Demers and his sister Annette Nadeau and her husband Albert.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on July 18, 2015 at Holy Family Church in Gorham. Interment is in the Holy Family Cemetery. Donations may be made to either: National Association of Postmasters, New Hampshire Chapter Scholarship Fund, In memory of Ernest Demers, c/o Annie Provenzano, PO Box 88, Tamworth, NH 03886-0088 or The Holy Family Church Renovation Fund, Holy Family Church, 7 Church Street, Gorham, NH 03581.

... Dr. Edward Garcia

Dr. Edward S. Garcia, MD of Coos Street passed away on Saturday, July 4, 2015 at the Androscoggin Valley Hospital in Berlin, NH following an illness. He was 85.

Born on January 17, 1930 in New York, NY, he was the son of Celso and Oliva (Menendez Valle) Garcia. He grew up in New York City and was a graduate of New Town High School in Elmhurst, NY. He then attended and graduated from St. John's University with a B.S. Degree in Chemistry and received his MD degree from the National University of Mexico in Mexico City. He practiced in Mexico for 6 months prior to moving to Boston, MA.

For many years, he held a private practice as an urologist in Berlin and at Androscoggin Valley Hospital in Berlin. He was a member of the American Urological Association, Association of Clinical Urologists, and a member of the New Hampshire Medical Society.

Dr. Garcia and his wife Claire lived on Rt. 2 in Randolph for several years. Besides his wife Claire Audet, he is pre-deceased by a brother Dr. Celso Garcia and a sister Minervera Orozco.

He leaves his daughter Andrea Kingston and husband James of Tampa, FL and Edward Garcia and wife Christine of Rochester, NH; four grandchildren, several nieces and nephews.



. . . Rita A. Savage



Rita A. (King) (Lyons) Savage, a longtime resident of Berlin and Randolph passed away in Saco, Maine near her son's home on Sunday, May 31 from cancer, at the age of 84.

Rita is predeceased by her first husband Patrick J. Lyons, her second husband J. Robert Savage, her sister Ramona Goulet, brother "Sonny" Bob King, parents Edward and Lydia King, brother-in-law Clifford Lyons, mother and father-in-law Rose and Wesley Parpart and close friends Dottie Goldberg, Anne Johnson and Betty Drew.

Rita was cherished by many, including her daughter Kathy Lyons (David Frankel) of Orono, Maine; son John Lyons (Rachelle) of Saco, Maine; grandchildren Benjamin and Samuel Lyons and Rebekah Frankel; sisters, brothers and their families; Claire Paine, Marie Landry, Russell King and Ronnie King of Berlin and Carol Marcel of Tacoma, Washington, sister in law Helen Roy and family of Berlin; Wisconsin in-laws Tess Punzel, Gerome Lyons, Rose Witczak and families, step children Jonathan Savage of California and Barbara Jo Savage of South Carolina, her quilt-

ing family including Kathleen Garneau, Lena Parent and Sally Micucci, her Theatre North family (too many to name), many good friends, including Doreen Piper, Ed Drew, Ed Reichert, Lucy and Bill Demers and many more of the Berlin, Gorham and Randolph area.

Rita was born in Berlin, NH on October 19, 1930. She graduated from Berlin High School in 1948 and went on to earn an associate's degree from the UNH Continuing Studies Program in 1977. She worked at Montgomery Ward as a stock room clerk 1949-1952 and as credit manager 1960-1970, at the S&H green stamp store in Berlin 1970-1974, for Berlin Public Schools 1974-1978 as a secretary, and at Coos County Family Health Services in Berlin 1978-1988 as a bookkeeper and billing clerk. She served in the US Navy 1952-1956 as a Yeoman 2nd class working as a clerk and typist in the personnel administration office.

Rita enjoyed quilting and helping others learn to make their own. She won awards for quilts she entered in fairs and events. Cherished are the many quilts she gifted to family and friends. She enjoyed both flower and vegetable gardening. She was an active member of Theater North directing many performances and serving on the Board as well as working with costumes, acting as stage manager and performing in a few plays. She is not only an artist of quilts but has done many paintings and ceramics.

When her first husband Patrick Lyons died tragically on a Navy aircraft carrier in 1960, with strength and courage she provided a loving home for her two children. She kept in close contact with the Lyons family including many summer visits so that her children would know their Dad's relatives. Eleven years later she found companionship and love again when marrying Robert Savage. Rita lovingly cared for Bob as he succumbed to Alzheimer's disease. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on June 5, 2015 at Holy Family Church in Gorham. Interment is in the Randolph Cemetery on Durand Road.

Information from the Cemetery Trustees

The Cemetery Trustees would like to inform Randolph residents of the procedure required by NH State Law, in the event a family member is to be laid to rest in either the Durand Road or the new Randolph Hill cemetery.

The State of NH requires "A Permit to Bury". This permit must be obtained through the Town Cemetery Committee. Should a Cemetery Trustee not be available, please call the town secretary, Linda Dupont, at the Randolph Town Hall. Leave a message and a call back number if she is not at her desk.

Trustees: Steve Hartman	466-2244
Suzie Lowe Santos	466-3950
Karen Eitel	466-5074
Town Hall: Linda Dupont	466-5771

... Marion Woodruff

Marian Davis Woodruff, a resident of Coleman House in Northborough, died on June 11, 2015, at 92 years of age. Marian was born the first child of Alice Marian Rohde and Harvey Nathaniel Davis on Dec. 15, 1922, in Boston.

Although she spent much of her adulthood in Nashua, N.H., the "home of her heart" was Randolph, N.H., where her father built a summer cottage that drew her to the White Mountains throughout her life, including the better part of her retirement.

"When I was young," Marian once said, "I bounced around a lot." After losing her mother during a family cycling trip at the age of 9, Marian was sent to live with family friends on a farm in rural Pennsylvania. She then moved back to the campus of the Stevens Institute of Technology in New Jersey, where her father Harvey Davis was president, before attending high school in Massachusetts as a boarding student at Milton Academy.

Marian long maintained a passion for the arts. She earned her B.A. in Art History from Smith College, completed three years of related graduate study at RISD and NYU, and coupled her formal education with summers spent studying the arts abroad. Teaching art appreciation, designing the first volunteer guild program, and co-producing several film series were highlights of a 30-year career as director of education at the Currier Museum of Art and Adjunct Professor of Fine Arts at White Pines College.

Beyond her profession in the arts, Marian was most proud of her career in politics. She served six years as a Democrat in the New Hampshire House of Representatives and narrowly lost a state senatorial campaign. In her legislative capacity, Marian focused on land use, promoting economic development while protecting wild spaces. Locally, she was an active member of her community. She helped build organizations such as Head Start and the League of Women Voters, and she opened her home to artists and campaign volunteers.

Marian considered herself an archivist, maintaining meticulous collections of everything from professional lectures, interesting art images to magazine clippings. Grouping and displaying like objects brought her joy—especially when she could find the perfect kitsch to add to the mix.

Marian loved her children and grandchildren deeply and took such pleasure in having frequent visits from them. Taking time to teach her grandchildren appreciation of the outdoors and learn what they were interested in was important to her. With her quick wit, big smile, and hearty laugh, she demonstrated an active embrace of life despite having endured instability and loss. Through her core joy, intelligence and perseverance, she served as a vibrant role model to many.

Marian's ashes will join those of her son Davis on Mount Adams in the White Mountains. A service was held at the Randolph Church in Randolph, N.H. on Friday, Aug. 7. Food and casual reminiscing followed at Libby's Bistro in Gorham, N.H.

Marian is survived by her children (Nathaniel, William, and Charlotte) and her grandchildren (Davis, Roan, Watts, and Dylan). Marian was predeceased by her son Davis (July, 1980), her brother Nathaniel Davis (May, 2011), her sister Suzanne Durham (May, 1982) and her sister Louise Davis (June, 2014).

Donations to, or involvement with, any of the following organizations would make Marian smile: Randolph Mountain Club, Unitarian-Universalist Association, the Democratic Party, or local art programs.



Randolph Public Library News:

That perfect tranquility of life, which is nowhere to be found but in retreat, a faithful friend and a good library.
Aphra Behn

This quote definitely sums up summer at the Randolph Public Library! It has been such a pleasure to witness the "coming home" of so many of our summer residents, and the reunions of old friends taking place on a daily basis at the Library. With the Friends of the Library and our fantastic volunteers, we've had an extremely successful Book & Bake Sale, concerts, and evenings of opera with Bob and Harriet Krusznya, readings of "Selected Shorts" with Beverly May, and Summer at the Old Library, which will wrap up on Sept. 6. The Library also hosted two lively meetings of the Randolph Summer Reading group (formerly the Randolph Colloquy). Special thanks go out to Autumn and Zane Brown, for volunteering during "Toddler Time" and more in July and August. The Young Adult section has been expanded and revamped, and many new items have been added to the collection. Finally, we are deeply indebted to the family of Mary Gail Scott, for their generous donation of books and other items to the Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Dube, Librarian and the Library Trustees

NEW AND RECENT ACQUISITIONS: (This is just a sampling - stop in to see more!)

Fiction:

Wolf Hall, by Hilary Mantel

The Nightingale, by Kristin Hannah

The Nature of the Beast, by Louise Penny

The Boston Girl, by Anita Diamant

Eleanor & Park, by Rainbow Rowell

Go Set a Watchman, by Harper Lee

The Broken Teaglass, by Emily Arsenault

An Anthropologist on Mars: Seven Paradoxical Tales, by Oliver Sachs

Dust, by Yvonne Adhiambo

Let the Great World Spin, by Colum McCann

The Likeness, and The Secret Place, by Tana French

Thirty Girls, by Susan Minot

House Girl, by Tara Conklin

Dinner with Buddha, by Roland Merillo

Down From Cascom Mountain, by Ann Joslin Williams

Non Fiction:

Being Mortal: What Matters in the End, by Atul Gawande

The Oregon Trail: An American Journey, by Buck Rinker Science on Ice: Four Polar Expeditions, by Chris Linder

My Beloved World, by Sonia Sotomayor

Unforgettable: A Son, A Mother, and the Lessons of a Lifetime, by Scott Simon

H is for Hawk, by Helen MacDonald

The Woman Behind the New Deal: The Life of Frances Perkins, by Kirstin Downey

Dead Wake: The Last Crossing of the Lusitania, by Erik Larson

The Owl Who Liked Sitting on Caesar: Living With a Tawny Owl, by Martin Windrow

Forest Feast: Simple Vegetarian Recipes From My Cabin in the Woods, by Erin Gleeson

Saving the Family Cottage: A Guide to Succession..., by Stuart Hollander

Audio Books:

All the Light We Cannot See: A Novel, Unabridged, by Anthony Doerr

Washington: A Life, by Ron Chernow

Revolutionary Summer: The Birth of American Independence, by Joseph Ellis

Thomas Jefferson: The Art of Power, by Jon Meacham

Theodore Rex, by Edmund Morris

John Adams, by David McCullough

His Excellency George Washington, by Joseph Ellis

Back to Blood, by Tom Wolfe

Mile 81, by Stephen King

A Fatal Grace, A Rule Against Murder, The Brutal Telling, Bury Your Dead,

The Beautiful Mystery, and How the Light Gets In, all by Louise Penny

DVD's:

Words and Pictures

Shackleton

Sharpe's Company (series of 4)

The Incredibles

The Usual Suspects



The Library Book Sale is a big hit with children.

Ingrid Graff Photo

News from the Friends of the Randolph Public Library: Lynn Hunt & Ingrid Graff



We would like to thank everybody who attended the wonderful Berlin Jazz Concert on July 23rd in the Randolph Municipal Building. This event is usually subsidized by the Friends of the Randolph Public Library. However, unbeknownst to us a very generous anonymous donation was given to cover the full cost of the concert. It was a very heart-warming gift and we truly appreciate the thoughtfulness behind it.

The Friends had an extremely successful summer, and we would like to thank all those who have contributed to it. The annual Bill Minifie / Heywood Alexander concert was well attended and received with acclaim!

The summer Opera Series run by Harriet and Bob Krusznya was an enjoyable new program. We thank the Krusznas for their time and energy.

We were so pleased to be able to host a "Selected Shorts" evening with readings by Beverly May. All in attendance were entertained by her delightful stories, which were delivered with humor and charm.

Thank you to everyone who donated items for our Bake Sale – and thanks to those who bought!!! This was our best year ever.

We would like to extend a very special thank you to Ray and Dede Aube for organizing the Berlin Jazz Concert for the past 15 years. They are graciously bowing out and passing the torch on for next year. We need someone to step forward to coordinate this event.

We have now Co-Chaired the Friends for five years and we do feel it is time for new blood and new ideas. Please contact either one of us if you are interested in chairing this wonderful committee.

Photos: above, Guy Stever and Barbara Demers and right, Bea and Bill Alexander dance to the music of the Berlin Jazz Band.



What's Randolph Reading?

The Mildred Horton Book Club begins Mon, Sep 28 at the Randolph Library, 10am, with a round robin of "What I read over the summer".

The Back Porch Reading Club met recently at the cottage of Ann Wells on Puggy Huddle Lane for an inspired discussion regarding *The Woman Behind the New Deal: The Life and Legacy of Frances Perkins, Social Security, Unemployment Insurance*, by Kristin Downy. The group pondered, "Who are the Francis Perkins's of today?" The fall schedule includes:

September 18th, *Wild* by Cheryl Strayed at Lauren Bradley's.

October 16th, *Tell the Wolves I'm Home*, by Carol Rifka Brunt at Jean Malick's.

November 13th, *The Light Between Oceans*, by M.L. Stedman at Sandy Wiers,

For more information, call Barbara Arnold at 466- 2438.

The Randolph Summer Reading Group

The Summer Reading Group, formerly the Randolph Colloquy and now facilitated by Sue Kearn, met in the White Mountain Room of the Randolph Library to discuss: *American Nations: A History of the Eleven Rival Regional Cultures of North America* and again in August to discuss the work of N.H. poet Donald Hall, a former Poet Laureate of the U.S. (Copies of his work are available at the Library.)



Val Bailey Photo taken during a reading group at the Bailey home on Randolph Hill during July.

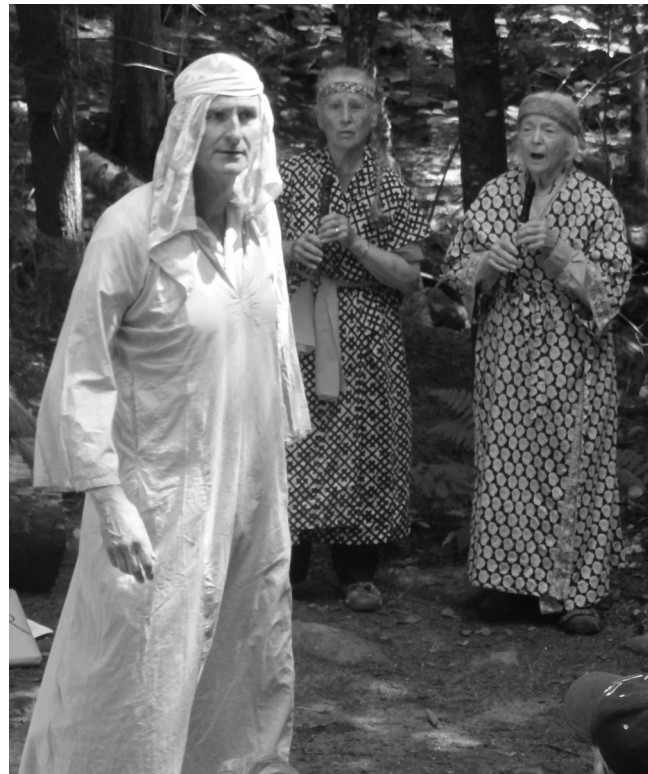
Note: *Beyond the Forest A Novel* by Ann D. Stearns: Ann Stearns, a once Randolph Summer resident has published her first novel. She is eighty years young. The novel follows the troubles and triumphs of Eva Gunder-son as she travels from the dark woods of Sweden to light, love and fulfillment in America. She has donated a copy to the Randolph Library and suggests that you "pour yourself a cup of coffee, snuggle into a comfy chair and enjoy what lies Beyond the Forest."



Charades
were on Ei-
leen Kelley's
20th birthday.
August 15,
2015,

The spirit of
Charades Past,
Present and
Future...

Randolphians at work and Play



Paula
Bradley
meets with
Counselor
Kenny.



Mark & Katie Kelley sponsor the 4th of July Tea in
their Post and Beam Barn. Barb Phinney Photo



Marie Beringer hosts the
August Square dance in
her barn on Randolph hill
each year.





Readings by Beverley May performed to an audience of over 40 at the Randolph Town Hall. Ingrid Graff Photo



Left, About 35 folks attended a Cider Making demonstration at the Randolph Library given by Yvonne and Larry Jenkins. , Above, Larry, Lynn Morneweck and Bob Lindenburg turn the apples and Yvonne reports, "the best apples to use for making cider are "your own apples." Right, Tommy Barrows tastes the cider . He likes it!



Friends of the Presidential Rail Trail

A group of interested townspeople have formed a new organization, following a meeting of Randolph's Conservation Commission in July. The Friends of the Presidential Rail Trail is an informal group, open to all who are interested in preserving the special features of this unique resource. Our goal is to promote cycling, hiking, and wildlife viewing in a serene environment.

More information, including how to join our email list, can be found on our website, which went public in late August: friendsofthepresidentialrailtrail.org



Photo: Al Hudson and Madison cycle the Presidential Rail Trail enroute to Cherry Pond.

An Invitation from Barbara and Bill Arnold

We are celebrating our 25th anniversary
Saturday, September 26, 2015
Randolph Town Hall, Durand Road
Small seasonal plates and drinks 5:30 to 7:30
Square dance with Dudley Laufman, Paul Cormier
and friends from 8 to 10
RSVP's appreciated but not necessary
603-466-2438 or barnold@ne.rr.com
Please, no gifts, just come and have fun. Spread
the word!

Barbara & Bill Arnold

Tastes of the Mountain
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