

Judith A. Tibbetts

October 14, 1946 - March 6, 2026

Mason, NH – Judith A. (Koch) Tibbetts, 79, of Mason, passed away Friday evening, March 6, 2026, at the Community Hospice House in Merrimack, New Hampshire.

Judy was born on October 14, 1946, in Groton, Massachusetts, the daughter of the late Charles and Ruth (Whitherell) Koch. She grew up in Townsend and graduated from North Middlesex Regional High School with the Class of 1964.

Judy worked for several years as a press operator for New England Business Service and later for Deluxe Checks prior to her retirement.

Judy always looked for the good in life and shared that joy with everyone around her. Her positive, warm, and bubbly personality made people instantly feel comfortable, loved, and appreciated. She had a natural gift for nurturing others and a deep passion for helping wherever she was needed. Judy was famous for her hugs, which had a way of making everything feel a little better. Her heart for service was reflected throughout her life, including nearly 30 years of volunteering at Steeple Fellowship Church and many years of involvement with both the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. Helping others was simply who Judy was, and she gave her time and love freely to anyone who needed it.

Judy had a well known love for lobster and often joked that she could happily live on it alone. She was also known for her wicked sweet tooth, especially when it came to peppermint patties.

She loved spending time outdoors, enjoying walks on beautiful days and sledding in the winter with her grandchildren and great grandson. Judy also had a love for books and could often be found reading and sharing that love of stories with others. Being around children brought her great joy, and she cherished every opportunity to teach, encourage, and spend time with them.

Anyone who met Judy immediately felt her warmth and quickly fell in love with her kind spirit. Her family often said they never knew anyone who met her who did not feel welcomed and appreciated in her presence. To Judy, love was the most important thing in life, and she believed it should be shared freely with those around you. A spontaneous hug and kiss and the simple words “I love you” were often the highlight of her day.

She leaves behind her loving husband, Kenneth S. Tibbetts of Mason, New Hampshire; her son, Scott Tibbetts of Mason, New Hampshire; three daughters, Kelli Fitzgerald of Pepperell, Massachusetts, and Kristen Tibbetts and Kourtney Tibbetts, both of Mason, New Hampshire; her brother, Rick Koch of Tacoma, Washington; two sisters, Shirley Shepherd of Waterville, Maine, and Donna Davis of Templeton, Massachusetts; and a bonus grandson, Jose Araujo; as well as several nieces and nephews.

She is pre-deceased by a son Shannon, a son-in-law, Mark Fitzgerald and a brother Bruce Koch.

Judy will be remembered for her warmth, her generosity, and the love she shared so freely with everyone around her. Her kindness, joyful spirit, and endless hugs will live on in the hearts of those who knew and loved her.

Her funeral will be celebrated on Saturday, April 4, 2026 at 11 AM in the Steeple Fellowship Church, 793 Main St., Lancaster.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Blood Cancer United <https://bloodcancerunited.org/>

The T.J. Anderson & Son Funeral Home, 250 Main St., Townsend is assisting the family with the funeral arrangements.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

APR 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

Steeple Fellowship
793 Main St
Lancaster, MA 01523-2565
(978) 365-5782

Tribute Wall

KS

“ In everyone’s life God sends a few lights that burn brighter than the others. Judy is one of those lights. Her sweep and humor are qualities we will never forget until we meet her again in the presence of the Lord. We will miss her greatly, but we know she is with Jesus and will receive a great reward for her kindness and true love for others. See you soon, Judy. Love, Ken and Becky.

Ken Stenton - April 04 at 06:32 AM

TF

“ Judy, We shared our friendship through ffive generations,,many adventures and fun times. Most of these were with tons of laughter,lots of silliness,but, some were sad times and serious conversations,but always with love and support.These memories will always be in our hearts until we meet again.Rest in peace our dear friend.

the Martin Family - April 02 at 06:57 PM

KT

“ Kourtney T. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Judith A. Tibbetts.

Kourtney T. - March 28 at 08:44 AM

KT

“ Kourtney T. purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Judith A. Tibbetts.



Kourtney T. - March 28 at 08:44 AM

KT

“ Hello, for those who are not able to make it to the funeral. We have made arrangements for pole to attend on line: <https://youtube.com/@steeplefellowship?si=Ra6S7d8KHVxKEk8U>

Kourtney Tibbetts - March 27 at 09:46 AM

AU

“ All of Us purchased the Blessed Heart for the family of Judith A. Tibbetts.



All of Us - March 25 at 01:14 PM

FF

“ Family and Friends planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Judith A. Tibbetts.

Family and Friends - March 25 at 12:57 PM

FF

“ Family and Friends purchased the Meadows of Memories for the family of Judith A. Tibbetts.



Family and Friends - March 25 at 12:57 PM

ME

“ Me planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Judith A. Tibbetts.

Me - March 25 at 12:16 PM

ME

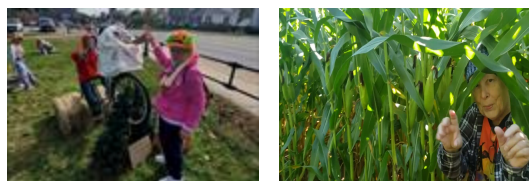
“ Me purchased the Divine Light for the family of Judith A. Tibbetts.



Me - March 25 at 12:16 PM

KR

“ 2 files added to the album My Mama, thank you for everything!



Kristen - March 20 at 09:15 AM

KR

“ The BEST Mom who loves life and fun, she is a better person than most people in this world. She hates anger and bitterness and forgave terrible people, be it family or acquaintance even if they don't deserve it. I hope I can be just as good of a person as my Mom, who gives, sacrifices and loves unconditionally. love you Mama!

Kristen - March 20 at 09:03 AM

DL

“ Judy was one of my best friends for many years. Her genuine love for life and the care she gave to others was amazing. We considered Judy & Ken & their children as "extended family". We will sure miss her!! Prayers & love to everyone.

Donna Lawler - March 18 at 09:26 PM

KR

Donna, there are a few "Moms" in the circle of friends you guys had and it gives me a comfort to know you are a phone call away when I need a Mom to talk to. Love to your family and thank you for being her friend and in our life. - Kristen

Kristen - March 20 at 08:51 AM

KK

Long distance cousin. Corresponded at Christmas time. She was a very wonderful person. God speed

Kevin W Koch - March 21 at 11:52 AM

LD

“ Judy became one of my best friends.

Linda Dodge - March 18 at 05:39 PM

KT

She really enjoyed your outings!

Kourtney Tibbetts - March 27 at 09:46 AM