



## Kathleen A. (Townsend) Rossbach

December 4, 1943 - March 30, 2023

TOWNSEND: Kathleen A. (Townsend) Rossbach, 79, of Townsend, formerly of Pepperell, died Thursday, March 30, 2023, at her home after a lengthy illness.

Kathy was born in Pepperell, on December 4, 1943, a daughter of Seymour and Evelyn (Marshall) Townsend and was a 1961 graduate of the Peter Fitzpatrick School in Pepperell.

For over thirty years Kathy worked for the Town of Townsend as the Tax Collector and the Town Treasurer. Before that she worked as the payroll clerk and office manager at Great American Plastics Company in Fitchburg and Nashua, New Hampshire.

Kathy was a member of the New Beginnings Methodist Church in Townsend, was a member and long-time treasurer of the Townsend Homemakers Club. She had been a member of the Pepperell Garden Club and had been active in the area 4-H Program. She was especially known for running the chicken barb-b-que at the 4-H fair in Westford for over 18 years. Kathy was a caring, loving wife, mother, grandmother and friend and was known for her contagious laugh.

She leaves her husband of 59 years, Charles E. Rossbach; her son, Bruce C.

Rosbach of Manilus, NY; two daughters, Cynthia L. Pollock and her husband Brian of Berwick, ME, Dale Gates and her husband, James of Townsend; six grandchildren, Heather Pollock, Ashley Pollock, Sarah Pollock, Charlie Gates, Wyatt Gates and George Gates.

She was the sister of the late Sheila Lawrence–Wyman of Groton, Marion Charpentier Front Royal, VA, Geraldine Forest of Pepperell and Jean Patten of Greenville, NH, and her brother, William Townsend of Cobleskill, NY

Kathy's family will receive relatives and friends at calling hours 4-7 PM Wednesday, April 5, 2023 at the Anderson Funeral Home, 250 Main Street, (Rte 119) Townsend Center.

Funeral services will be held 10 AM Thursday, April 6, 2023 in the funeral home. The interment will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Pepperell.

Memorial contributions may be made to Beacon Hospice, 11 Williams Street, Leominster, MA 01453.

For additional information or to leave an online condolence please visit their website at [www.andersonfuneral.com](http://www.andersonfuneral.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Woodlawn Cemetery

40 Heald St.  
Pepperell, MA 01463

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

APR 5. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Anderson Funeral Home - Townsend  
250 Main Street ~ Route 119  
Townsend, MA 01469  
(978) 597-2692

## Funeral Service

APR 6. 10:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

RH

“ So, this says to share a Memory - one of my fondest & funniest to me was on my very first day of work for the Collector/Treasurer... Mid-day she came running out of her office and said, "Sorry I've got to go catch a cow" and ran out...I wasn't sure I heard her correctly, then found out about the family farm. Well, it's not something you hear very often, especially at work! Makes me laugh every time I think of it. I have too many fond memories to share both in and out of work, she was such a fun caring person, but that was my favorite from work. Kathy will be missed!

To Charlie, Dale, and the whole Rossbach family -  
Our deepest sympathy. May you get through this difficult time, through prayers & the comfort of fond memories, and may the love of those around you help you through the days ahead.  
Rebecca and Charlie Hersey.

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Rebecca Hersey - April 19, 2023 at 01:13 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Kathleen A. (Townsend) Rossbach.



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April 04, 2023 at 06:51 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket* was purchased for the family of Kathleen A. (Townsend) Rossbach.



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April 02, 2023 at 12:52 PM



“ *Fairest of All* was purchased for the family of Kathleen A. (Townsend) Rossbach.



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April 02, 2023 at 12:48 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Kathleen A. (Townsend) Rossbach.



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April 01, 2023 at 09:30 PM



“ *Serene Retreat* was purchased for the family of Kathleen A. (Townsend) Rossbach.



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April 01, 2023 at 07:48 PM

KA

“ I worked with Kathy at the town hall, she always had a big smile on her face and willing to help all. My you rest in peace.

Karla - March 31, 2023 at 03:15 PM

BR

“ Condolences to the family, so sorry for your loss.



Brenda Rodgers - March 31, 2023 at 12:35 PM



“ To Charlie and the whole Rossbach family  
We are very sorry for your loss.  
Her life was a blessing in so many ways  
Laurie and Pam Shifrin

Laura Shifrin - March 31, 2023 at 12:09 PM

ML

I met Kathy when I worked for the bank where she made deposits for the town, She was always so friendly, I also volunteered at the 4H Fair to help my friends Susan and Noelle, Susan told me of her passing and I extend my sympathy to her whole family, May you find peace,

Martha Larson - April 03, 2023 at 08:08 PM

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Our deepest sympathy. May you get through this difficult time, through prayers & the comfort of fond memories, and may the love of those around you help you through the days ahead.  
Rebecca and Charlie Hersey.

Rebecca Hersey - April 19, 2023 at 01:05 PM