



Norman B. Gagne, of Townsend

March 16, 1957 - January 13, 2026

West Townsend – N. Bruce Gagne, 68, of West Townsend, passed away Tuesday evening, January 13, 2026, with his loving family by his side.

Bruce was born on March 16, 1957, in Randolph, Vermont, a son of the late Norman A. and Elizabeth Anne (Smith) Gagne. He graduated from South Royalton High School in 1975, and later earned his bachelor's degree of science, for agricultural economics from the University of Vermont.

Bruce was a hardworking and driven man who built his life around providing for his family and taking pride in his work. Bruce started his career with P&C supermarket in Maine and then Groton as store manager. He resided in Groton for 21 years, where he and Rena owned and operated the Groton General Store, from 1983 until 2004. Later, he and the family owned and operated Lizotte's Market in Greenville, New Hampshire. Most recently, he owned and operated his own Utz delivery route, serving surrounding towns and delivering to local pizza shops and supermarkets.

Bruce moved the family to West Townsend in 2004 where they enjoyed having horses and his 2 cows, 2 goats and a black sheep. He remained with his son Gregory in West Townsend until his illness progressed.

Bruce found his greatest joy in time spent with his children and grandchildren, always making sure his loved ones were cared for. He was an avid New

England Patriots fan and season ticket holder for many years.. Most of all Bruce took great pride in the businesses he built.

He leaves his former wife of 31 years and dear friend Rena E. (Gillis) Gagne of Fitchburg; his son, Gregory L. Gagne, of West Townsend; two daughters, Rachel E. Gagne and her husband, Hjalmar Murto, of Mason, New Hampshire, and Natalie S. Gagne of Fitchburg; two brothers, Gary Gagne and Stuart Gagne, both of White River Junction, Vermont; and seven grandchildren, Hailey, Douglas, Cade, Maverick, Cameron, Oiva, and Miina; along with three nephews.

Calling hours will be held at T.J. Anderson & Son Funeral Home, 250 Main Street, Townsend, on Saturday, January 24, 2026, from 1:00 to 4:00 PM. Burial will be held in the Groton Cemetery in the spring.

Cemetery Details

Groton Cemetery

Chicopee Row
Groton, MA 01450

Previous Events

Calling Hours

JAN 24. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall

TB

“ The Bennetts planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Norman B. Gagne.

The Bennetts - January 22 at 11:23 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Norman B. Gagne, of Townsend.



January 22 at 11:23 AM

LJ

“ What a great guy. One of the hardest working man I met. HEAVEN JUST GOT A GREAT ANGEL

Lindsey Mullan Jr - January 20 at 03:54 PM

GG

“ Gagne grandchildren purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Norman B. Gagne, of Townsend.



Gagne grandchildren - January 20 at 02:52 PM

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ES

“ Emily S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Norman B. Gagne.

Emily S. - January 20 at 01:55 PM



“ Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Norman B. Gagne, of Townsend.



January 20 at 01:55 PM

HA

“ Hannah A. purchased the Silken Serenity Casket Spray for the family of Norman B. Gagne, of Townsend.



Hannah A. - January 20 at 11:43 AM

FR

“ Freya and Rena purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Norman B. Gagne, of Townsend.



Freya and Rena - January 19 at 07:04 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Norman B. Gagne, of Townsend.*



January 19 at 05:39 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Norman B. Gagne, of Townsend.*



January 19 at 01:11 PM