



Waldo C. Farnsworth

July 28, 1928 - April 23, 2020

SHIRLEY: Waldo C. Farnsworth, 91, a longtime Shirley resident died Thursday, April 23, 2020 at CareOne of Concord.

He is predeceased by the love of his life, Corinne E. (Gionet) Farnsworth, in April 1994.

Mr. Farnsworth was born in Shirley, July 28, 1928, a son of William P. and Caroline (Dodge) Farnsworth and was a lifelong Shirley resident.

At a young age, Wally became interested in planes, and eventually got his pilot license. He loved flying. Even in his final days he could tell anyone details about any plane, including the year, model and what war it fought in.

For nearly thirty years he worked at P.K. Keating Company in Lunenburg, retiring in 1993. Previous to that, he operated his father's lumber mill from the time he was a young man.

Wally was a man who was loved by everyone who met him. He was kind, loving, generous and selfless. He and Corinne loved spending weekends playing cards with their lifelong friends, Norm and Dot Gionet.

For Wally family was the most important thing in his life. He leaves four

daughters and son-in-laws, Joan F. and Glenn Gould of Shirley, Susan M. and the late Greg Kimball of Nashua, NH, Debra J. and Curtis Chase of Shirley and Sharon L. and Michael Perkins of Billerica.

He also leaves seven grandchildren, Greg Kimball Jr., Christopher Kimball, Kelly Gould, Jennifer Hughes, Jessica Nelson, Nicole Lang and Ashlee Perkins; and seven great grandchildren, Molly Kimball, Adam Kimball, Lily Kimball, Ally Kimball, Chase Hughes, Troy Hughes and Natalie Nelson.

He was the brother of the late Pauline Higgins of Athol.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Sterling Animal Shelter, 17 Laurelwood Rd, Sterling, MA 01564.

Due to restrictions on gathering services will be held privately.

The Anderson Funeral Home, 25 Fitchburg Rd., Ayer is assisting the family with arrangements. For additional information or to leave an online condolence please visit their website at www.andersonfuneral.com

Cemetery Details

Center Cemetery

Brown Rd.
Shirley, MA 01464

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall

GE

“ Dear Farnsworth Family,

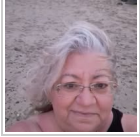
We were deeply saddened to hear of Waldo's passing. His smiling face would light up the room every time he saw Chase, Bentley or Myles. We always called Wally, "the original dog whisperer." He always had amazing animal stories, especially the one about Chippy. He was such a sweet, kind and loving man, who was a true animal lover. My husband and I were fortunate to have known Wally for almost 5 years. His time with our dogs was very meaningful and we had many laughs. Please accept our sincere sympathy, and may it comfort you to know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time. Wally will be truly missed by all who knew him, he was such a special man. Our sessions with him were true Golden Moments.

We will cherish the memories always,

*Sheila, Jeff, Jennifer
Chase, Bentley & Myles*

Golden Moments 4 Elders

Golden Moments 4 Elders - May 06, 2020 at 12:27 PM



“ Joan, Sue,Debbie and Sharon,
I have no words to say except how sorry I am about uncle Wal. We all shared some of the best times of. My life with cousins and my aunt Corrinne and my family Uncle Wal.
Your dad was such a wonderful man. I always think of him with a smile on his face and joy in his heart. Ivremember one night I slept over your house and he brought Sharon and I out while he plowed driveways on a very snowy Saturday. Also when we at Hampton all the wonderful times we had and would look forward to go back every year because there were always lots of laughs. Uncle Wal you will be missed. It not good bye, it's see you later.



Karen Green - April 27, 2020 at 10:03 PM

EW

“ It is with a heavy heart that I write this note to the Farnsworth Family. Waldo was a huge influence to me through my teenage and early 20's years. I like to believe I am the man I am today due in a large part to some valuable life lessons I learned from this unbelievable man. His generosity, his infectious smile and laugh, his thoughtfulness and his easy going, take it as it comes attitude have forever been ingrained in my soul. A favorite memory of mine is the times spent watching him wash dishes and banter back and forth with his loving Cory. One particular memory I still carry to this day is one where he was washing a particular sticky mashed potato pan and left a bit in there, I cannot remember who pointed it out but like always his reply and comeback was as good and as well timed as the best of comedians . . . "well, that just means more for the next time" I will never forget you Wally. Thank you for being a part of my life.

Love and thoughts to all,

Eric Wilbur

Eric Wilbur - April 26, 2020 at 05:36 PM

LG

“ Joan, Sue, Debbie and Sharon,
My deepest sympathy to all of you.
I have great memories of Hampton beach vacations - Fun in the
Sun and the Rain -
which we had 1 or 2 rainy days - here and there
Every time I smell spaghetti sauce it brings me back to Sunday
mornings when it was on the stove waiting for the Farnsworth's to
come over.
May he be dancing with Corrie again, but he will surely be missed
but thought of daily.
Sending my thoughts and prayers to you all.

Love you all,
Lisa Gionet

Lisa Gionet - April 26, 2020 at 03:28 PM

RL

“ So sorry for your loss, remember going to the saw mill many times.
Dick Lambert

Richard Lambert - April 26, 2020 at 02:32 PM

DS

“ Susan, Debra & family,
I am so sorry to read of the passing of your father. My thoughts are
with you all.

Denise Stepleton - April 26, 2020 at 11:42 AM

NL

“ Truly, he was the kindest person. We remember all the St. Anthony's Church dances that we spent with both Waldo and Corinne planning, setting up and taking down. Stopping by his house while out snowmobiling. Lots of good memories and fun times with them. To Joan and family we are so sorry for your loss. Sending thoughts and prayers to all of you.

Nancy & Teddy

Nancy Landry - April 25, 2020 at 08:13 PM