



David H. Rimbach

September 9, 1930 - January 7, 2026

Rye, NH -Gratefully loved and sadly missed, David Haugh Rimbach, 95, passed away peacefully at home on January 7, 2026.

Born in Waltham, MA on September 9, 1930, he was a son of Frederick and Anne Rimbach.

Brought up to work and play on the farm homestead in Acton, MA, he hayed, tended animals, and picked apples from the orchard. After graduating from high school, David proudly served in the US Navy on the destroyer, USS Dyess, as a machinist's mate during the time of the Korean Conflict.

Upon returning home, David earned his engineering degree from Wentworth Institute of Technology and took further studies at Northeastern University. His career began at Bailey Meter Company. As an instrument and control engineer, he engaged in long-term startup operations for power plants in a variety of places, including Brazil and the Dominican Republic. From the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, he went out to sea trials. Later working for Public Service of New Hampshire, David was the overseer of all PSNH power plants. Called on day or night, he was the troubleshooter who could solve the impossible; he always said he would pray on the way to work, and God would give him the answer to the problem.

First and foremost, David was a devoted and loving husband and father. His favorite pastimes included racing hydroplane and stock outboard motorboats, skiing, camping, gardening, traveling, inventing, repairing, watching sports and sitting in the sunshine. He loved fellowship with family and friends.

David was a longstanding member of Rye's church in the center of town where he worshiped and served in many positions.

Surviving family members are: his wife of 58 years, Sharon (Hertz) Rimbach, children Maura (Rimbach) Howe and her husband Stephen of Hampton, Mark Rimbach of Boston, Eric Rimbach and his wife Angela of Texas, and his dear grandchildren Svea and David. In addition to his parents, David was predeceased by his siblings: Robert, Shirley and Philip.

A memorial service followed by a reception will be held at Rye Congregational Church, 580 Washington Road, Rye, NH 03870, on January 23 at 12 noon. In lieu of flowers, a donation may be made to one of David's favorite charities, World Vision.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 23. 12:00 PM (ET)

Rye Congregational Church
580 Washington Rd
Rye, NH 03870
(603) 964-4061

Tribute Wall

GH

“ David you are my Hero for ever. Many years ago when I was young I took a bus to Boston on a winter cold night and really needed help and I called you from a phone booth and told you my story.i had no idea where I was in Boston. I told Uncle David I really needed help he said hang up sit down I'll be right there and he came right away drove me home had a long talk with my Dad his brother and he really was the only person that helped me I will never forget that night. You are a true hero, David your forever in my heart till we meet again uncle David I will always love you.

Gayle Hart - May 29 at 08:17 PM

JA

“ Dave spent several months with us in St. Louis in 1956 or so, when his business sent him there. He was the "cool cousin", who drove a candy-apple red hard top convertible Thunderbird. He also became like a beloved older brother.

Jean Rimbach Allmart - January 30 at 11:57 AM

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“ Love, bob,cric, donna, gayle and leslie purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of David H. Rimbach.



Love, bob,cric, donna, gayle and leslie - January 21 at 10:08 AM

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“ Love, bob,cric, donna, gayle and leslie planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David H. Rimbach.

Love, bob,cric, donna, gayle and leslie - January 21 at 10:08 AM

JS

“ 1 file added to the album David H. Rimbach



John J Seffern - January 20 at 12:14 PM

GW

“ Gary and Michelle Wright purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of David H. Rimbach.



Gary and Michelle Wright - January 19 at 02:38 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of David H. Rimbach.



January 15 at 12:36 PM

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“ Aki, Riko and Yoshiko planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David H. Rimbach.

Aki, Riko and Yoshiko - January 15 at 12:36 PM