



Dennis Kolodze

August 7, 1948 - February 15, 2026

Stratham - Dennis (Denny) Kolodze, 77, of Stratham, New Hampshire, passed away peacefully on February 15, 2026, surrounded by family.

Denny was born on August 7, 1948, in Cleveland, Ohio, to the late John and Margaret (Nahar) Kolodze. He attended John Marshall High School, where he competed on the wrestling team and sang in various choral groups. Denny met his lifelong sweetheart, Cathy, in the church choir at Bethany English Lutheran Church when he was 17 and she was 15.

Denny earned a B.S. in Management Science from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and an M.B.A. in Finance and Operations from the University of Wisconsin at Oshkosh. Over the years, he worked as an executive at several manufacturing plants across the Midwest. In 2000, he realized a lifelong dream when he moved to New Hampshire to start his own business, Horizon Group, Inc. (Batteries Plus). Working alongside his wife and son, he built the business from one location to four stores throughout New Hampshire. He leaves behind a legacy of integrity and hard work that benefits multiple generations of his family, many of whom are also involved in the business.

Denny's many interests included home improvement projects, gardening, boating, and reading. He especially loved exploring New England with his grandchildren, from the museums of Boston to the mountains and lakes of

New Hampshire to the coast of Maine.

Denny is survived by his beloved wife, Cathy; his two children, Emily Rose (Jason) and Jay (Meredith); his grandchildren, Eva and Sam; and his sister, Karin Garman, and her family. The family wishes to express their deep gratitude to the wonderful caregivers at Benchmark at Rye for their kindness and compassion.

A private service will be held for immediate family. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association in Denny's honor by clicking here. (https://donorservices.alz.org/page/FUNTLARSZFV?utm_source=google&utm_medium=paidsearch&utm_campaign=giving_google&utm_s_subsrc=giving_google_brand_alz_donations&gad_source=1&gad_campaignid=1707986387&gbraid=0AAAAAD8nX1qQEOLjfPrJoM27TyiThbcX&gclid=CjwKCAiAncvMBhBEEiwA9GU_fhOwZU3PumMsO9KoSW5D39_kMk0f0HpzISIJQXI29ORRBsHtAjpkxhoCEAQQAvD_BwE)

Tribute Wall

BP

“ I grew up living across the street from Denny. We'd play together since we were 3! We walked to kindergarten together, and went all through school together, graduating in 1966 from JMH. I have thought of him often throughout the years. His mom was like a second mother to me! I'm so sad, and sorry for his whole family. I went to his wedding! Please accept my deepest sympathy! Another lifelong JMH friend just told me of his passing. I have wonderful memories to hold onto. Barbara (Smerick) Parker, in Florida now.

Barbara Parker - April 28 at 10:53 PM

JD

“ Carhy
I am so upset at reading about this and not being there to give you a hug!! Denny always made me smile when he wandered up to the desk; especially when he kicked me out of my chair and sat down.

Julia Dearborn

Julia Dearborn - February 23 at 08:04 PM

DD

“ We lovingly hold Denny's memory and his family in our hearts at this difficult time. You all took such wonderful care of him, throughout his journey. We are thankful that he is resting peacefully. We will always cherish our memories of him at summertime family gatherings on Pawtuckaway Lake. May his memory be a blessing to you in the days ahead. Deb & John Delmage

Deb & John Delmage - February 19 at 07:23 AM

KP

“ My deepest condolences to Cathy and family. Denny will truly be missed.

kayla phanthachack - February 17 at 10:57 PM

ZR

“ Zack, Daisy Dinomite, Payton Rose, RD planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dennis Kolodze.

Zack, Daisy Dinomite, Payton Rose, RD - February 17 at 02:29 PM

ZR

“ Zack, Daisy Dinomite, Payton Rose, RD purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dennis Kolodze.



Zack, Daisy Dinomite, Payton Rose, RD - February 17 at 02:29 PM

AF

“ My heart goes out to Cathy and the family. My condolences.

Alexa Flynn - February 17 at 10:21 AM

EP

“ Cathy and family so sorry Denny will be missed by so many. He was my buddha I will always keep him you and the family in my thoughts and prayers. Thank you for choosing us to take care of him love you all



Emma Perry - February 17 at 08:30 AM

J(

Cathy and family..I was so honored to have met Denny and all of you...may he R.I.P he will be missed ❤️❤️❤️

Joanne (Jojo) - February 17 at 08:33 AM

PA

“ *Very thankful for the last few years* ❤️



paige - February 17 at 08:21 AM