



## Donald R. Desrochers

May 24, 1938 - October 18, 2023

North Hampton – Donald Reginald Desrochers, 85, of North Hampton, and formerly of Goffstown and Merrimack, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, October 18, 2023, at Portsmouth Regional Hospital. He was born in Pittsfield, NH on May 24, 1938, a son of the late Edmond and Grace (Picard) Desrochers. He shared over 64 years of beautiful marriage with his beloved wife, Martha S. (Kamieniecki) Desrochers.

The Desrochers family lived in Pittsfield for the first 6 years of Donald's life before relocating to Manchester. He first met Martha, the love of his life, when she was cheering for a Nashua High basketball game and started dating after bumping into each other at another event. They were married in 1959 and settled into a home that Don constructed himself in Goffstown. After 10 years in Goffstown, they moved to Merrimack where they raised their family for the next 40 years.

Donald was always a quiet hard-working man and a great provider for his family. Never one to sit idle, he was always on the move with several overlapping projects. Don was the ultimate handyman and could fix anything... without reading the instructions! He was always active in his children's lives as well and coached several athletic teams over the years.

Donald had worked for the former Foster Beef Company of Bedford for over

15 years before being hired by Pilgrim Furniture of Merrimack as their distribution manager. Upon leaving Pilgrim, Donald took a position as Buildings and Maintenance Director with the Bedford School District until his retirement in 2003. He was a faithful communicant of Our Lady of Mercy Church of Merrimack for over 40 years and was very active in many church programs.

In his retirement years, Donald loved traveling and especially enjoyed several trips to Bermuda, visit to Sonoma and his favorite location, anywhere in Italy. He enjoyed all sports but to say he was an avid Red Sox fan would be an understatement. He cheered his team on through thick and thin. Don also enjoyed an occasional visit to the casinos and was known to purchase a lottery ticket or two.

Family was always number one in Don's life and left to cherish his memory are his wife, Martha, his sons, David Desrochers and his wife, Linda of Manchester and Michael Desrochers and his wife, Tracey of Barnstead, his daughter, Karen Desrochers of Hampton, his grandchildren, Caitlin Desrochers, Erica Seracusa, Nathan Desrochers, Christian Desrochers and Peyton Desrochers, his great grandchildren Atticus Day, Avelina Seracusa, Ari Serach and Ruby Serach and his step grandchildren, Derek Serach and Breanne Gerke. He also leaves his brother, Armand Desrochers and his wife, Irene of Allenstown and his sister-in-law, Elizabeth Stanners of Hampton.

In addition to his parents, Donald was predeceased by his brothers, Norman and Lionel Desrochers and Willie Dube and his grandson, Patrick "Paddy" Desrochers.

Visiting hours will be held from 2 to 4 pm on Sunday, October 22, 2023, in the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home-Crematory, 811 Lafayette Road, Hampton. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 am on Monday, October 23,

2023, at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 289 Lafayette Rd., Hampton. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Dr John Niles VGC Research fund, 101 Merrimack Street, Boston, MA 02114-4722 or the St. Vincent de Paul Society, care of the church at the above address.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **22**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - Crematory  
811 Lafayette Road ·  
Hampton, NH 03842  
(603) 926-6500  
info@remickgendron.com  
<https://www.RemickGendron.com/>

## Funeral Mass

OCT **23**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church  
289 Lafayette Road  
Hampton, NH

# Tribute Wall

MS

“ *What a creative and wonderful gentleman! Whatever project I proposed, Don would figure out a plan that would have stumped others. My dog, Norah adored him and knew the minute his truck arrived in the driveway. I am grateful to have known Don, not only for his meticulous work but also for all our conversations to solve the world's problems. I enjoyed getting to know Martha, too. Prayers for Don, Martha and family. Soldier on Don for this journey.*

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**Mary-Ann Sullivan** - November 01, 2023 at 05:20 PM

BS

“ *Betty Stanners lit a candle in memory of Donald R. Desrochers*



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**Betty Stanners** - October 25, 2023 at 01:11 PM

KL

“ *Allways sad to say good bye. We will pray for Don and his family. A friend from Our Lady of Mercy. Kurt Lochman*

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**Kurt Lochman** - October 24, 2023 at 12:35 PM

AD

“ *Armand Desrochers lit a candle in memory of Donald R. Desrochers*



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**Armand Desrochers** - October 23, 2023 at 05:47 PM

BA

“ *Barbara lit a candle in memory of Donald R. Desrochers*



Barbara - October 23, 2023 at 05:36 PM

MD

“ *Martha Desrochers lit a candle in memory of Donald R. Desrochers*



Martha Desrochers - October 23, 2023 at 04:04 PM

KD



Karen Desrochers - October 23, 2023 at 08:14 PM

MH

“ *Thoughts and prayers are with you Caitlin and family. Love from Texas.*

Marilyn Hoeth - October 23, 2023 at 12:21 PM

DA

*Thank you Marilyn.*

Dave - October 24, 2023 at 03:20 PM

KD

“ *Karen Desrochers lit a candle in memory of Donald R. Desrochers*



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**Karen Desrochers** - October 22, 2023 at 08:34 PM

JB

“ *BD  
Barbara Deshaies  
a day ago  
Barbara Deshaies Don was a great guy. My heart goes out to the family. I send my condolences may peace be with you all.*

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**Judy Bouchard** - October 22, 2023 at 04:22 PM

DA

“ *Dave lit a candle in memory of Donald R. Desrochers*



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**Dave** - October 22, 2023 at 09:44 AM

KD



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**Karen Desrochers** - October 22, 2023 at 08:33 PM



“ 124 files added to the album *Life Tributes*

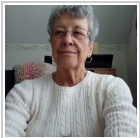


Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - October 21, 2023 at 05:11 PM



“ We send our condolences to all the family. We're so sorry for your loss. Don was such a great man. Always willing to help others. He was always cheerful especially when we gathered for our summer dinners. We will miss him greatly. Condolences and love to you all. Judy, Jaxson, Justin, JJ, and Jayla

Judy Bouchard - October 20, 2023 at 12:11 PM



“ Don was such a lovely man. Rest in Peace. Condolences to the family. Judy and Jack.

Judy Galligan - October 19, 2023 at 07:07 PM



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Judy Bouchard - October 19, 2023 at 09:20 PM

MD

*You will always be in my heart. Love you brother. Rest in peace*

*Mr. Mrs. Armand Desrochers*

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**Mr. Mrs. Armand Desrochers** - October 21, 2023 at 10:16 AM

BD

*Barbara Deshaies Don was a great guy. My heart goes out to the family. I send my condolences may peace be with you all.*

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**Barbara Deshaies** - October 21, 2023 at 06:25 PM

TL

*Our Sincere Condolences from Tony LeClerc State Farm office. Don was a great man and we enjoyed our red sox talks over all the years. May he rest in peace.*

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**Tony LeClerc** - October 23, 2023 at 01:23 PM