



Florence R. Perkins

June 12, 1928 - November 8, 2017

Journey thru the life of Florence R. Perkins

Seabrook, NH - Florence R. Perkins, 89, of Seabrook, died at Portsmouth Hospital on Wednesday, November 8, 2017.

She was born in Newmarket on June 12, 1928 a daughter of the late Anthony and Victoria (Pusz) Zych.

She attended schools in Durham, first at a one room schoolhouse with one teacher who taught 6 grades and later Durham Elementary School and Newmarket High.

Florence worked at UNH at Nesmith Hall Entomology, then Sam Smith's Shoe Company in Newmarket where she met her future husband, the late Harry D. Perkins. They married April 10, 1948 and lived in Newmarket for 6 years, before moving to Smithtown.

We Remember

In 1959 Harry was appointed Postmaster of the Smithtown Post Office and Florence was Substitute Clerk. Together they operated Ma Perkins Country Store at the same location. In January 1970, Harry left for employment at the

Seabrook Post Office. Florence was appointed Officer In Charge until it closed October 10, 1970.

After retirement, she enjoyed working in her home and caring for her children. Her leisure time was spent playing cards, the organ, accordion, going to movie theaters and Seabrook Beach. She loved nature and all its beauty and wonders.

Florence loved this quote by Ella Wheeler Wilcox, "I think of death as some delightful journey that I shall take when all my tasks are done."

Survivors include her two sons, Ronald Perkins and his wife Marcia of Plum Island, MA and Harry "Doug" Perkins of Seabrook; two grandsons, Nicholas and Max; sister Jean Provost of Dover and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to her parents and husband Harry who died on April 26, 2010, she was predeceased by her daughter, Bonnie in 1979; two brothers, Chester and Alfred and sisters, Isabella LaRose and Helen Loranger, Florence's twin.

A celebration of Florence's life will be held at the Trinity United Church Parish House, 29 Main Street in Seabrook on Saturday, December 2, 2017 from 1-3 p.m. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Easter Seals NH, 555 Auburn Street, Manchester, NH 03103.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

DEC 2. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Trinity United Church Parish House
15 Folly Mill Road
Seabrook, NH 03874

Tribute Wall



“ *Florence R. Perkins*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



I miss you Mom, but you know that since I talk to you often.

I will never forget the birthdays, beach days, trips to Jean & Sonny's camp, and watching The Big Bang Theory together, but most of all, your love for me.

Thank you for everything, and I hope to see you when all my tasks are done.

Harry Jr. - November 08, 2022 at 06:15 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Ron Perkins - December 05, 2017 at 08:29 AM



“ *Kat lit a candle in memory of Florence R. Perkins*



Kat - December 04, 2017 at 12:09 PM

KA

Have fond childhood memories of a sweet lady...Kathleen LeClair Brown

Kat - December 04, 2017 at 12:12 PM

HJ

She was sweet, thank you Kat!

Harry Jr. - November 08, 2022 at 06:18 PM



“ *Ma & Pa Perkins was so nice to all us kids in the Smithtown area. They had a candy display of penny candy that would make any child quiver with excitement! My biggest memories are the last day of school when they would give all us kids either an ice cream or a soda pop for free! I don't know if they did it every year, but I still have memories of that. My Dad gave all my siblings a stamped addressed envelope from Lalime Realty with the last day they canceled the stamps at Smithtown Post Office. Cherished memories... Rest in Peace Ma & Pa Perkins, you helped make Smithtown a wonderful place to grow up!*

Helen Lalime

Helen Lalime - November 27, 2017 at 05:11 PM

HJ

Thank you for your kind words Helen!

Harry Jr. - November 08, 2022 at 06:17 PM

Ron
Perkins

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Ron Perkins - November 21, 2017 at 07:38 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Florence R. Perkins.



November 16, 2017 at 01:11 PM



“ Ron - I have been holding off on sending my condolences. I really cannot sum up the young memories of your mom and dad and Bonnie. A place and life I would love to go back to. I am sorry for your loss...a mom is a deep heartache. I will hang onto the many wonderful moments I had with your family. Please know that I am thinking of all of you at this time.

Melanie Locke Allen - November 15, 2017 at 07:57 AM



Thank you for your kind words Melanie!

Harry Jr. - November 08, 2022 at 06:21 PM

Ron
Perkins

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Ron Perkins - November 13, 2017 at 08:03 PM

MC

“ I will always remember the great times I had with Pa and Ma Perkins. They were like a second family to me. Now she can be with Bonnie and Pa. She was a great lady.

mary (eaton) comita - November 12, 2017 at 03:18 PM

HJ

Yes she was Mary, thank you for your kind words!

Harry Jr. - November 08, 2022 at 06:22 PM

WM

“ Wendy Michaud lit a candle in memory of Florence R. Perkins



Wendy Michaud - November 12, 2017 at 02:06 PM

HJ

Thank you Wendy, it is a little late for me to respond...but my Mom used to tell me, better late than never!

Harry Jr. - November 08, 2022 at 06:23 PM

CP

“ So very, very sorry for the loss of your wonderful mom. I can remember as a kid going to see Aunt Florence and Uncle Harry....I would make pot holders and she would make a big deal and buy them from me. She was so sweet and kind. RIP Aunt Florence
Much love and hugs to the family.

Carla Perkins

Carla Perkins - November 12, 2017 at 09:33 AM

HJ

Thank you for your kind words Carla!

Harry Jr. - November 08, 2022 at 06:25 PM

ML

“ Harry and Doug, that was a beautifully written obituary, I'm sorry for your loss. Aunt Florence was such a kind, beautiful lady. Many times as she was getting her done at my moms we would have nice talks and she taught us the importance of writing thank you letters, she will be missed.

Melissa Bowley

Melissa LeBrun - November 12, 2017 at 08:48 AM

HJ

Thanks for the reminder about Thank You letters Liss, I remember her doing that alot.
Thanks again for being there for me, your presence in my life made all the difference; could not have made it through without you!

Harry Jr. - November 08, 2022 at 06:32 PM

ML

Miss you Harry!

melissa Lebrun - November 08, 2022 at 07:41 PM

CA

“ Ron and Doug (but was always “little Harry” to me), so sorry for your loss. I have many great memories of your Mom and your whole family. Spending many days and nights at your home with Bonnie throughout grade school, walking the path between the house and the store at night with a flashlight with your Dad and the night we came across a skunk. The temporary move to the big house and your Dad catching a bat in one of the rooms. Your Mom playing music was always special. I never knew until now that we shared the same middle name. I’m sure your Dad and Bonnie welcomed her home, a very special lady indeed!
Cathy Sampson Latour

cathy - November 12, 2017 at 07:54 AM

HJ

Great stories Cathy, thank you for being part of our family, and you can call me little Harry anytime you like!
Much love,
Little Harry

Harry Jr. - November 08, 2022 at 06:35 PM

MK

“ My heart is breaking for your loss Still can't believe it I think it is wonderful for you to have a private ceremony on the beach she will be smiling down on you from heaven! So many wonderful memories of the beach. And going to movies and playing cards!! I have been doing my bedroom in coastal decor have several pictures of the beach she sent me and the sunrise over Seabrook Beach Easter 1980 I believe. My love and deepest sympathy all the family Hope to get out in 2018 !



Marge Knowles - November 11, 2017 at 05:29 PM

HJ

Thank you Margie, I will always remember you fondly except when you told me to go suck an egg ;)

Harry Jr. - November 08, 2022 at 06:40 PM

 Ron
Perkins

“ *Mum, I'll remember your sweet smiling face every day. Whenever I go to the sea, you will be with me in spirit. Your life has already been a delightful journey in my eyes and I'll never forget you and the love that you gave me throughout my life. I can only hope that your life lessons of kindness will live on in me. Always, always you will be in my heart.*

Ron

Ron Perkins - November 11, 2017 at 12:09 PM

KW

I am so sorry for your loss. Your mom and dad were always the kindest of people any one could meet. I remember her alone at the store but I think she missed your dad being there. She loved you and Bonnie dearly this could be seen even as young as I was the last time I was at your home. She will always be with you in spirit.

Kathleen Bagley Wood - November 12, 2017 at 01:38 AM

JA

I write this with tears in my eyes as I remember all the great times we had together. We would talk and talk about family, friends, the beach, music, you name it. We never ran out of things to talk about and we never left each other without saying I love you...

I loved listening to you playing the accordion and the dances we used to go to

She played for us at Mom and Dads 50th wedding anniversary.

I don't think she played it again after that even though I was always after her to play. She finally told me it was too heavy for her to hold.

One more memory I have to share.

Her hair!! I never in my 30 years of hair dressing did I meet anyone with so much hair. It took me for ever to get her cuts and perms done....I teased her all the time about it..thankfully she only had it done twice a year...but Looking back, I'll miss doing it because it gave us plenty of time to chat, have a cup of tea and a snack..

I love you Aunt Flo...Rest in Peace.

Give Uncle Harry and Bonnie a big hug and kiss for me.

Joyce (Perkins) Addison

Joyce Addison - November 12, 2017 at 10:21 AM

RP

Mum, I think of you often and I'm grateful for all that you taught me.

Forever in my heart and it breaks hard this time of year, as November is the cruelest month for me now. I'll always see you in the sea.

Best love,

Ron

Ron Perkins - December 12, 2018 at 11:29 PM

RM

“ *Robert Mawson lit a candle in memory of Florence R. Perkins*



robert mawson - November 11, 2017 at 12:09 PM



Thank you Robert!

Harry Jr. - November 08, 2022 at 06:41 PM