



Gerald W. Cole

October 13, 1940 - September 17, 2022

Seabrook – Gerald W. Cole, 81, of Seabrook, passed away peacefully on Saturday, September 17, 2022, at Portsmouth Regional Hospital. He was born in Washburn, ME on October 13, 1940, a son of the late Gerald and Eleanor (Porter) Cole.

Gerald was a veteran having honorably served in the US Navy between 1957 and 1961. He later became an Iron Worker where he worked on many sites, including the Big Dig in Boston. Gerald enjoyed traveling to Boston, especially via train with his grandkids. Gerald also spent some time working at the nuclear power plant in Seabrook.

Gerald was one of five brothers, predeceased by Charles, Stephen, and Milford Cole, and survived by Cecil Cole of Keene, NH. Gerald was also a loving father of three children, his daughters Shelley Neece and Carla Bechard, and late son Kevin Cole. In addition, Gerald leaves behind many grandchildren and great grandchildren, including Kristina (Cole) Roebuck, Joshua Cole, Kaysie Cole, Jenna Neece, Tyler Neece, Mariah Neece, Bruce Bechard, and Amanda Bechard.

Gerald most enjoyed his time at camp in the northern Maine woods, where he would fish, hunt, and cook up his signature pot of baked beans. He also enjoyed visiting his family in Presque Isle, ME and never passed up an

opportunity to bring home some dirty potatoes.

When Gerald was in his hometown of Seabrook he was often referred to as “Jiggs” or “Jigger.” Jiggs enjoyed his weekly routine where he would visit the Seabrook Legion to have a diet coke and shoot the dice, take an afternoon drive to “check and see if the ocean was still there,” and visit the speak on Sundays to share a few stories with friends. Jiggs had the best stories and a wonderful sense of humor. He will be sorely missed by family, friends, and loved ones.

A celebration of life will be held at 12 noon on Sunday, October 9, 2022 at the Raymond E. Walton American Legion Post 70, 169 Walton Rd. Seabrook. In lieu of flowers, please consider a charitable donation by clicking here to the American Legion (<https://mylegion.org/PersonifyEbusiness/Home>) where he was a long-time member. Assistance with the arrangements was by the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home-Crematory, Hampton.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

OCT 9. 12:00 PM (ET)

Raymond E. Walton American Legion Post 70
169 Walton Road
Seabrook, NH 03874

Tribute Wall

PB

“ I was so sorry to hear of Jigger's passing. Jigger was a great guy, great friend to Steve, and a good friend to our family. He and my late husband Steve spent many hours traveling on spring and fall trips up to camp for hunting, fishing and just having a lot of story telling and laughs with their group of friends. Jigger invited Steve to start bringing his family up in 1983, and we all immediately loved it and came to be good friends with Jigger too. Steve thought an awful lot of Jigger and they spend many hours on the phone once it became harder for them to get together in person. I'm sure that they have already been laughing over Seabrook and camp stories. Rest in peace Jigger - you deserve it.

Phyllis Brooks - October 22, 2022 at 04:27 PM

RW

“ I'm so very sorry to hear of Jigger's passing. He was a dear friend of my dad's and our family. We spent many vacations up in the northern Maine woods with him. He took me on many fishing trips and I enjoyed his company. I remember many stories and laughs shared around the table at camp. My dad passed away last year and I'm sure they have reunited to share their stories again. My deepest condolences go out to his family.

Rebecca Warren - September 29, 2022 at 04:10 PM

KF

“ Jigger was my neighbor and my good friend of 15 yrs. I am going to miss him very much and his medical tales he would come to me with. I loved him and miss him.

I am so sorry for the loss of your Dad, Grammps, and brother he was a good man with a loving heart. He loved his family and talked of them with love.

Good bye for now Jiggs love ya sun shine

Kelly Frenette - September 29, 2022 at 05:37 AM