



## Howard E. Grinnell

February 29, 1960 - February 4, 2026

Exeter – Howard E. Grinnell, 65, of Exeter and a former longtime resident of Amesbury, MA, passed away on Wednesday, February 4, 2026. Known to many simply as "Howie," he was a man who valued loyalty, and a good laugh with friends. Born on February 29, 1960, in Amesbury, Howie was the son of the late Renee and Phyllis (Erickson) Grinnell. Being a "Leap Year baby" was a unique part of his story. Howie was a deeply respected member of the Amesbury community for many years, where he was a familiar face and a longtime member of the Lafayette Club.

In his younger years, Howie worked as a welder. He took pride in his trade, possessing a mechanical mind and a respect for craftsmanship. This passion for how things were built naturally extended to his love for motorcycles. He truly embraced the freedom of the open road and the deep-rooted camaraderie of the biking culture. When he wasn't riding, Howie could often be found listening to his favorite rock and roll or pursuing his passion for sports memorabilia. He had a keen eye for the history of the game and found great joy in adding to his collection over the years.

Above all, Howie was a steadfast friend who loved nothing more than enjoying a good time with good people. While he was a man who didn't always wear his heart on his sleeve, his pride in his family was unmistakable to those who knew him best. He spoke of his sons constantly to his friends, always

bragging about their lives and accomplishments.

His greatest legacy remains his family. He is survived by his two sons, Steve Grinnell and his wife Vanessa, and Robert Grinnell, along with their mother, Deborah Grinnell, all of Epping, NH. He was a proud Grandfather to his two granddaughters, Kyleigh and Kendra. In addition to his parents, Howard was predeceased by his siblings: Susan, Michael, Larry, and John Grinnell.

Service Information: The celebration of life will be scheduled later. Friends and family are encouraged to check the funeral home website for upcoming announcements regarding dates and times.