



John J. "Jack" Lessard

February 14, 1928 - October 16, 2021

Hampton – John J. “Jack” Lessard, 93, of Hampton, died Saturday, October 16, 2021 after a period of failing health. He was born in Hampton Beach, February 14, 1928 a son of the late Edgar and Mary (Desmond) Lessard.

Jack was a lifelong resident of Hampton and was a graduate of Hampton Academy. He was a veteran of WW II serving in the US Navy aboard the USS Missouri (BB-63) and was on the battleship when the peace treaty was signed in Tokyo Bay and is best remembered as the site of the surrender of the empire of Japan which ended WWII.

After serving in the Navy Lessard ran a dairy farm with 60 cows in Hampton. He then made a career in automobile sales beginning with the former Hackett and Wallace Chevrolet and many years as a partner at Scott Pontiac and finally with Banks Chevrolet Buick GMC retiring at the age of 80. Jack was also a real estate entrepreneur and developed several parcels of land.

He was a communicant of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church and was member of the Holy Name Society. Jack served the town of Hampton as selectman, zoning board member, planning board member, and was on the municipal budget committee. He also served on the Odd Fellows clock restoration committee.

Lessard was one of eight children in his family and he lost his mother at the age of five and as a young boy became a resident at the state farm in Harvard, Mass. One Christmas he recalls getting a pair of socks, while kids in another section of the camp got teddy bears. He would have preferred the bear. He later became known as the “Bear Man” dedicated to providing teddy bears every year at Christmas to young ill children at Dartmouth Hitchcock Hospital and Boston Children’s Hospital as well as the elderly.

Jack and his daughter Kathleen, bred, raised, and showed Morgan horses through the 50’s and 60’s. Winning many awards, and making their ‘Great Hill Morgan Farm’ one of national distinction and notoriety within the Morgan community.

He shared 32 years of marriage with his wife Bette J. (Fogg) Lessard.

In addition to his wife he leaves his daughter Kathleen “Patty” Leary, two grandchildren Christopher Leary, Abbygail Ritondale, his great grandchildren Zoe and Ruby Ritondale and many nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his loving wife Antoinette P. Lessard and daughter Toni Marie Lessard, and his siblings, Cornelius, Patrick, William, Mary, Paul, R. Vic Lessard and Constance Vogt.

Visiting hours will be from 6-8 P.M. Monday, October 25, 2021 at the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home-Crematory, 811 Lafayette Road, Hampton. A mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at 10 A.M. Tuesday, October 26, 2021 at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 289 Lafayette Road, Hampton. Burial will follow in the High Street Cemetery, Hampton. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited. In lieu of traditional remembrances, donations may be made to the New Hampshire S P C A (<https://nhspca.org/donate-today/>)

Cemetery Details

High Street Cemetery

150 High Street
Hampton, NH

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **25**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Mass of Christian Burial

OCT **26**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *John J. "Jack" Lessard*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *Betty so sorry for your loss, I loved Jack like Family, with all the help from you and Jack changed me and my Family's life forever, can't thank you enough. may he rest in Pease.
Love Ruben Gonzalez*

Ruben Gonzalez - January 19, 2022 at 10:30 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss. The old photos were wonderful to look at!
Gerald Richard*

Gerald Richard - October 27, 2021 at 07:29 PM



“ *Patty and family...so sorry to read of your Dads passing. So many wonderful memories of the years as neighbors in Hampton Falls and all the Morgan shows, weanling sales and hours hanging around in the barns.....grateful for the remembrances of a great time., Candace (Cote) Dolan*

Candace Cote Dolan - October 26, 2021 at 09:19 PM

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Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - October 25, 2021 at 12:56 PM

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Connie, Olive, Vic, Gerald, Jack & Bill

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Brother Bill

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Brother Vic

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Jack's father Edgar Patrick Lessard

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Jack's mother Mary M Desmond Lessard

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*Jack's mother is girl with bike
Cornelius & Mary)Desmond) Lessard at Stackpole Street Lowell*

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*Bill and June Lessard family
Susan, Jennifer, Kathy and Michelle (Jeff missing)*

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Kathy, Wally and Kate Caithness

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Paul, Nancy, Robbie, Dottie, Keith and Lois

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ST

“ *Mr. Lessard sold me the first car I bought on my own, a brand new Chevy Corsica! He was such a nice man. My condolences to his family.*

- Susan Weiland-Thomas

Susan Thomas - October 23, 2021 at 07:59 AM

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*Edgar Patrick and Mary Desmond Lessard
Front left to right
Bill, Pat, Jack and Connie
Back
Mother Mary, father Edgar, baby Paul Grammy MaryFlannery
Desmond. (Vic is I the oven!!!)
Pre deceased Sister Mary Agnes and Brother Cornelius.
Taken in front of their home on High Street Lowell right near
grandparents home on Stackpole St.*

jennifer Lessard Chaudoin - October 22, 2021 at 05:46 PM

RJ

“ *Thoughts and prayers to Bette and the Lessard family. My husband and I had bought several cars from Jack. Such a kind man.*

Robin Josselyn - October 21, 2021 at 07:56 PM

DK

“ *David & Lee Ann Kelley lit a candle in memory of John J. "Jack" Lessard*



David & Lee Ann Kelley - October 21, 2021 at 05:58 PM

DK

Our deepest sympathy in the loss of a good man and a family, special friend. Rest in peace Jack. Love and hugs to Bette and family.

David & Lee Ann Kelley - October 21, 2021 at 06:01 PM

JC

*The Last of his generation of siblings
He joins Cornelius,Pat, Bill, (Jack), Paul,Mary,Connie and Vic*

jennifer Lessard Chaudoin - October 21, 2021 at 09:42 PM

JP

Bette, I am saddened to read about the loss of your husband, Jack. He was a wonderful friend to my Father, Clifford Pingree, Sending condolences to you and your family. Janet Pingree

Janet Pingree - October 22, 2021 at 12:36 PM

JC

Hi Bette. Sorry to hear the news of Jack's passing. Just one of the greatest guys ever. We'll light a candle at mass tomorrow and pray for you, Jack's soul, and all the souls of Jack's faithfully departed family. Jake and Jackie Cahill

Jake Cahill - October 23, 2021 at 02:22 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of John J. "Jack" Lessard.



October 21, 2021 at 05:05 PM



“ Fly with your angels Uncle Jack! 💔

Michelle Lessard - October 21, 2021 at 04:58 PM



“ Ellen DeCosta lit a candle in memory of John J. "Jack" Lessard



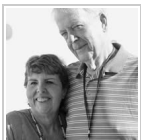
Ellen DeCosta - October 21, 2021 at 03:19 PM



“ My husband and I bought a car from Jack years ago....He was such a nice guy... I am so sorry for the families loss



Elizabeth Marquis - October 21, 2021 at 12:33 PM



“ Condolences to the Lessard Family, Jack was a true Hamptonite, he loved his town and the people in it. Rest in peace Jack

Rusty Bridle - October 21, 2021 at 11:11 AM

JC

Thank you for the kind words Rusty

jennifer Lessard Chaudoin - October 21, 2021 at 09:38 PM

BB

To us he was family.very sorry for your loss.very sorry.

Butch Baillargeon - October 22, 2021 at 09:45 PM

MS

What a great person. He also helped active duty people who needed his guidance for years. He was just the best. I am sorry for your loss and my prayers go out to all of your family.

Mary Shults - October 23, 2021 at 08:02 AM