



Leon C. Blaisdell

January 10, 1947 - October 25, 2014

Rye – Leon C. Blaisdell, 67, of Rye, retired Chief of the Rye Fire Department, died Saturday, October 25, 2014 at Portsmouth Regional Hospital surrounded by loving family.

He was born January 10, 1947 the son of the late Scott R. and Elizabeth (Hickey) Blaisdell.

Raised in Portsmouth, he attended St. Patrick School and graduated from St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Dover with the Class of 1965. He later attended New Hampshire Technical Institute for two years.

Leon began his career in fire service as a volunteer call firefighter with the Rye Fire Department. He later became a permanent full time firefighter serving in Rye and was named Chief in 2000. He retired in 2004 with over 34 years of service with the Rye Fire Department.

He was presently serving Rye as town treasurer, was a member and treasurer of the New England chapter of the, International Municipal Signal Association. He also was a fix anything handyman. This talent brought him to be the keeper of Rye's 1931 Ford Model A fire truck.

He made his home in Rye the past 41 years and was a communicant of St.

Theresa Church.

Family was most important. He leaves his wife, Susan (Walker) Blaisdell with whom he shared 44 years of marriage, his three children, Julia Blaisdell of Rye, Scott R. Blaisdell and his wife Stephanie of Rochester, Mary Anne Thibeault of Rye, three grandchildren, Chandler, Elaine and Evelyn, his sister, MaryBeth Taylor and her husband Roger of Rochester, several nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

Visiting hours will be from 2-4 and 6-8 P.M. Thursday, October 30, 2014 in the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home-Crematory, 811 Lafayette Road, Hampton. A mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at 10 A.M. Friday, October 31, 2014 at St. Theresa Church, 815 Central Road, Rye Beach. Burial will follow in the Central Cemetery Rye. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited. In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284-9168.

Cemetery Details

Central Cemetery

20 Central Road
Rye, NH

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **30**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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Visitation

OCT **30**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Leon C. Blaisdell*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *To the family.*

I was a childhood friend of Leon's and his parents when he lived on Sparhawk Street in Portsmouth. His house was several hoses down from the Twombly/Wheeler clan who lived at 89 Sparhawk St. My parents were Connie and Chet Wheeler who were good friends with Leon's parents. I played many times with Leon at his house.

Although we moved away I always have fondest memories. Over the years I briefly reconnected with Leon and enjoyed his friendship.

Regards

Craig Wheeler

craig Wheeler - November 03, 2014 at 08:03 AM



“ *To The Family,*

I am very sorry for your loss. He was really a great guy and I will really miss him.

Vincent DeVellis

IMSA

Vincent DeVellis - November 03, 2014 at 06:13 AM

ML

“ Sue and family - I was so saddened to hear the news of Leon's passing. He was a kind person with a great sense of humor. Always a smile on his face! He will be greatly missed. I hope with time your present sorrow will be replaced with cherished memories. Marilyn Lawrence

Marilyn Lawrence - November 02, 2014 at 12:06 PM

JL

“ Dear Susan and family, John and I are so ,so sad to hear of Leon's passing. He was a very good friend to us, helped us out so many times.Many memories are coming back to me as I type and I am crying. Both of you were very special to us. All our love and deepest condolences go out to you and the kids.
Love to you Susan,
John and Tina Lear



John & Tina Lear - October 30, 2014 at 12:42 PM

TS

“ Susan & Family, we are so sorry to hear of Leon's passing. Our prayers are with you.

*Ted & Corrine Schroll
Wethersfield, CT*

Ted Schroll - October 30, 2014 at 11:59 AM

CH

“ *Our thoughts and prayer are with all the Blaisdell family.
Sincerely, Lincoln and Carol Hanscom*



Carol Hanscom - October 28, 2014 at 03:01 PM

DM

“ *My thoughts & prayers are will you ...Lee was a wonderful man!!*



Donna Miller - October 28, 2014 at 01:11 PM

DM

with you!

Donna Miller - October 28, 2014 at 01:11 PM

GB

“ *I had the pleasure of meeting Leon a few years ago at the New England IMSA schools,
He was a very pleasant person and i know he is deeply missed by all who associated with him. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family R.I.P. my friend*

*George Baureko
N. J., I.M.S.A President*

george baureko - October 28, 2014 at 11:12 AM

BR

“ Sue and Family, so very sorry to hear of Lee's passing, you folks were good friends and like part of the family to Marilyn and I.

Marilyn and Bruce Rice, Narragansett, RI

Bruce Rice - October 27, 2014 at 08:13 PM

AM

“ To the entire Blaisdell family, Lee was truly a wonderful man and I am so sorry for your loss. I have such fond memories of him. Ron remembers his chats with him at National, also bringing happy memories. We wish you peace and send you our thoughts and prayers from New York. Much love,
Amy & Ron Leblanc

amy - October 27, 2014 at 03:45 PM

WP

“ Susan and family: we are deeply saddened by Leon's passing. We have such wonderful memories of him; most especially all our Scouting adventures! Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Art and Wendy Passero

Wendy Passero - October 27, 2014 at 02:43 PM

SH

“ Susan & Family,

I was deeply saddened to hear about Leon. He was a great guy and we will all miss him--his kindness, generosity & sense of humor. I always appreciated how he came up to Maine for family events and I know how important it was to Pete's family, too. We were all fortunate to know him. (((hugs)))

Sheila Hickey - October 27, 2014 at 01:17 PM

BH

“ *Scott, Stephanie and family,*

*May happy memories of days past help to dry your tears.
He is the rays of the sun warming your face, the glisten in the snow
as it falls, the brightness of a rainbow, and an angel watching over
you.*

Sending you all hugs and love.

Bridget

Bridget M. Hughes - October 26, 2014 at 08:55 PM