



Ralph D. Blatchford

July 13, 1927 - June 27, 2016

Rochester – Ralph D. Blatchford, 88, of Rochester and formerly of Hampton Falls, died Monday, June 27, 2016 at his son's home in Exeter.

Ralph was born in Exeter on July 13, 1927, the son of the late Ralph H. and Olive (Crosby) Blatchford. He was a veteran of WW II serving with the US Army.

Mr. Blatchford was raised on Dearborn Avenue in Hampton and attended Hampton Academy. He shared 53 years of marriage with his wife the late Ruth (Dority) Blatchford who predeceased him in 2011. The couple settled in Hampton Falls in 1957 to raise their family.

Ralph worked in construction as a heavy equipment operator for all his life. He started with the former Lafayette Construction in North Hampton, spent 22 years with the former R.J. Watkins of Amesbury, 24 years with Midway Excavators of South Hampton and more recently with Gove Construction of Portsmouth.

Ralph was a hardworking, simple man who enjoyed spending time with his family. He will be deeply missed by his family and his many friends. He was a longtime member of the Hampton Falls Grange.

Family members include his sons, Dale and Leisa Blatchford of Exeter, Robert Blatchford and his wife Susan of Barrington, his grandchildren, Alexis, Max, Lauren, Kristen Blatchford, Jenny Salvia and Adam Fallon, four great grandchildren, several nieces, nephews and best canine friend AJ.

In addition to his wife, he was predeceased by his brother, Earl Blatchford, his sisters, Gertrude Mark and Ruth Sanborn.

Visiting hours will be from 10 A.M. to 12 Noon Tuesday, July 5, 2016 in the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home – Crematory, 811 Lafayette Road, Hampton. Services will follow the visitation starting at 12 noon in the funeral home. Burial will be in Prospect Hill Cemetery, Greenland. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Rockingham VNA & Hospice c/o Community Relations: Attention Vivian Brown, Exeter Hospital, 5 Alumni Drive, Exeter, NH 03833-9905 <http://www.exeterhospital.com/about-exeter/rockingham-vna-hospice/> or to the New Hampshire S.P.C.A., P.O. Box 196, Stratham, NH 03885. <http://www.nhspca.org/donate-2/>

Cemetery Details

Prospect Hill

Greenland, NH

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 5. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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811 Lafayette Road ·
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Memorial Service

JUL 5. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ralph D. Blatchford*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss, I remember you dad well. My thoughts are with you guys.*

Tracy Crist Lurvey

Tracy Crist-Lurvey - September 09, 2016 at 02:24 PM



“ *Bobby, Sue , Dale and Family,, please know that we are thinking of you all. Mr. Blatchford was like family to us and we enjoyed the time at family parties at your home and loved the fact that he attended my 50th birthday party !! Loving thoughts to you all.*

Kathleen & Richard Seymour - July 05, 2016 at 10:46 AM

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“ Dear Dale & Bobby & family-
Chris & I are so sorry for your loss. My Dad and yours were reportedly quite the "hellions"...as part of the Dearborn Ave boys. They both had such great senses of humor. I have fond memories of camp with them. Your Dad and mine decided I should know how to shoot the shotgun. As they stood beside me making sure I didn't break my jaw or shoulder, I shot and landed on my butt on the ground. They couldn't stop laughing(after making sure I was ok). I can only imagine their pranks as kids. They were great Dads! Hope this gives you some comfort...I am sorry I cannot be there tomorrow to give you both a hug in person, as you were there for me, my Mom and Jody, when my Dad died. Please know that our thoughts are with you and your families. May you find comfort in all the great memories.
Love,
Jan & Chris Gordon

chris & jan gordon - July 04, 2016 at 08:06 AM