



## Robert B. Mackle

February 16, 1952 - October 26, 2014

Hampton - Robert Biron Mackle, 62, of Hampton, died peacefully at home on Sunday, October 26, 2014, surrounded by loving family, after a four year battle with cancer.

Robert was born February 16, 1952 in Seneca Falls, NY, a son of the late Chauncey J. Mackle and Joan (Biron) Mackle.

Bob's family had lived in Philmont, NY and Palmyra, ME before moving to Hampton in 1965. He was a member of Winnacunnet High School, Class of 1970 and graduated with the Class of 1971. Bob then earned his Associates Degree in Mechanical Engineering Technology from New Hampshire Technical Institute of Concord where he competed on the ski team and was the president of his fraternity. He went on to earn his Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Lowell. Bob's professional career in quality engineering spanned 40 years, beginning with Raytheon Corporation of Andover, MA, then Digital Equipment Corporation in Salem, and most recently, 10 years with Philips Healthcare of Andover, MA,

A tradition that began with his grandfather and his father, Bob enjoyed the annual fishing trips to Belgrade Lakes, ME along with his brother Kurt and his longtime friend Mike. Golfing, camping and boating were favorite leisure activities along with frequent trips to FL, NY and PA to visit with family and

friends. Bob obtained his private pilot's license in 1992 and had flown his plane all around New England, and to NY, PA and FL. He loved working on his home that he helped to build in 1983, and enjoyed assisting others with home additions and improvement projects. He valued most of all spending time with family at frequent dinners and barbecues. He will be remembered for his warmth of heart and willingness to help others.

Bob is survived by his wife of 41 years, Barbara (Parsons) Mackle of Hampton; his sister, Joan Mackle of Hampton; his brother, Kurt Mackle and his wife Liz of Greenland; his mother-in-law, Bernadette (Murphy) Parsons of Hampton; his brothers-in-law, John Parsons and his wife Jean of Durham and James Parsons and his wife Penny of Hampton; his nephews, Michael Parsons and his wife Jennifer of Mansfield, MA, Kevin Parsons of Philadelphia, PA, CJ Parsons and his wife Hayley of Exeter, Timothy Parsons and his wife Jennifer of Alexandria, VA and Chris Mackle of Boston, MA and his niece Katie Mackle of Greenland. He was great uncle to Isabelle and Daniel Parsons of Exeter and also leaves his aunt, Betty Summers of South Kingstown, RI and many cousins and close friends.

Family and friends may visit from 2 to 2:45 PM on Saturday, November 1, 2014 in the Remick and Gendron Funeral Home – Crematory, 811 Lafayette Rd., Hampton. Services will be held in the funeral home immediately following the visitation. Burial will be private. Flowers are acceptable and if desired, donations may be made in Bob's name to American Cancer Society, 2 Commerce Drive, Suite 110, Bedford, NH 03110, or to the charity of your choice.

# Cemetery Details

## High Street Cemetery

150 High Street  
Hampton, NH

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 1. 2:00 PM - 2:45 PM (ET)

Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - Crematory  
811 Lafayette Road ·  
Hampton, NH 03842  
(603) 926-6500  
[info@remickgendron.com](mailto:info@remickgendron.com)  
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## Memorial Service

NOV 1. 2:45 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert B. Mackle*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *I worked with Bob for many years and recall having several fond conversations with him. He loved his yearly fishing trips with his friends and was extremely excited when he spoke of his grand niece. He looked forward to his trips to Florida to get away from the cold New England weather. He was kind and compassionate, yet very regimented about his roles and responsibilities. My prayers and thoughts go out to his loved ones.*

**Rashmi** - November 05, 2014 at 03:19 PM



“ *I worked with Bob at Philips and enjoyed many conversations about his home projects and stories about the concerts he and his wife would go to. Bob was a special spirit, his kindness and willingness to help was a gift to anyone who knew him. He always laughed when I called him Roberto. Gentle winds and Peace. My Prayers and thoughts to your family. Lori*

**Lori** - November 02, 2014 at 04:58 PM



“ *Lori lit a candle in memory of Robert B. Mackle*



**Lori** - November 02, 2014 at 04:43 PM

MD

“ My wife Robin and Bob's wife Barbara have been friends since grade school. I've known Bob since 1979 when I started dating Robin. Of course I had to get Bob and Barb's approval to date Robin. After that, Bob and I became fast friends.

Bob's dad Mac would invite me to tag along on fishing adventures to Rangeley Lake in Maine with him and the boys [Bob and Kurt]. After Mack passed away me and the Boys continued the tradition of a Maine summer fishing trip to some far away lake such as Sebago or Moosehead or Long Pond or Belgrade to name a few.

Bob loved building things and I was happy to spend some time on summer with Brothers-in-law John and Jim and Pappa Norm helping to build Bob and Barb's house on Winnacunnet Road.

Over the years Bob and I would share many a tall tale over a beer or two near a camp fire or at the Galley Hatch or the Old Salt or across the dinner table.

When my girls Hannah and Lizzy were born, Bob was as proud of them as I am. There were countless trips from Pennsylvania to Hampton to visit with Bob and Barb and spend time at the beach and as many trips by Bob and Barb from Hampton to Pennsylvania to attend a graduation or see a show that the girls were involved in.

I've always felt like Bob was a brother and I'll miss him as much as if we were.

Fair winds and following seas shipmate,

Your fishing buddy Mike.

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Mike Damuth - October 31, 2014 at 10:21 PM

NC

“ Noreen and Don Canney purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Robert B. Mackle.



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**Noreen and Don Canney** - October 31, 2014 at 07:16 AM

DC

“ I worked with Bob both at Digital Equipment and at Philips Healthcare for many years. Bob was a kind and knowledgeable guy and fun to be with. I'll remember our reunions with our former DEC Quality Group at a local Chinese restaurant and our many conversations on "the good old days." Rest in peace, Bob.

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**Don Canney** - October 31, 2014 at 07:08 AM

GP

“ Gail Patten purchased the Written in the Stars for the family of Robert B. Mackle.



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**Gail Patten** - October 30, 2014 at 09:47 PM

SH

“ Joan and Kurt, I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your brother. You are in my heart and prayers.



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**Sheree Brown, Hampton** - October 30, 2014 at 09:43 PM

GP

“ Bob was a true friend and the kindest of souls whom I had the privilege to know and work with for many years both at Digital in Salem and at Philips Healthcare in Andover. This world just won't be the same without his bright smile and subtle wit. My deepest condolences go out to you, Barbara, and to your family. Gail Patten

Gail Patten - October 30, 2014 at 09:40 PM

KR

“ I worked with Bob at Philips, I am sending my thoughts and prayers. Bob was a very good man. Kate Rochford

Kate Rochford - October 30, 2014 at 01:20 PM

SI

“ Susan Izzi lit a candle in memory of Robert B. Mackle



Susan Izzi - October 30, 2014 at 09:20 AM

KF

“ I always remember Bob having a smile on his face. I am very sorry for your loss.



Kevin Flemming - October 29, 2014 at 08:44 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Robert B. Mackle.*



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October 29, 2014 at 02:38 PM



“ *Barbara, our deepest sympathy and prayers go out to you. Hopefully you will gain some comfort in knowing that Bob is no longer in pain. We will be with you in spirit on Saturday as neither of us will be in Hampton. With love, Rick & Kathy Hoesly*

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**Kathy Hoesly** - October 29, 2014 at 11:01 AM



“ *Marie lit a candle in memory of Robert B. Mackle*



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**Marie** - October 29, 2014 at 07:41 AM



*I loved talking to Bob - he was always so warm and friendly....  
Marie - Philips Healthcare*

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**Marie** - October 29, 2014 at 07:42 AM

LK

“ *Leo Keightley lit a candle in memory of Robert B. Mackle*



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**Leo Keightley** - October 29, 2014 at 07:31 AM

MA

“ *So sorry to hear of Bob's passing. I worked with Bob closely at Philips. He was very serious about resolving the issues of the day, however he was a warm friendly guy who I will miss a lot. My thoughts and prayers for his family.*  
*Michael Amico*

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**Michael Amico** - October 29, 2014 at 03:05 AM

SI

“ *A special friend Bob was and so much fun. He was so meticulous about his work and was his warm smile just made you feel like he was your friend. Too often we underestimate the power of smile, touch, a listening ear he cared so much he will be missed. Prayers for Barbara and their family. Working with Bob the last 12 years have been so touching. You will be missed I feel so honored to have known. Love u Carl & Susan Izzi*

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**S Izzi** - October 28, 2014 at 07:32 PM

LH

“ Bob was our next door neighbor at Bear Spring Camps at Great Pond in Maine for many years. We spent many June evenings sitting by the campfire, telling stories and relaxing. Each year when Bob and Mike drove into camp, their arrival ensured us that the week by the lake would be the best week of the year. We will miss Bob's humor and friendship. The campfires will never be the same. We will never forget our friend Bob. May warm memories sustain the family during this very sad time.

*Lee & Suzanne Hatfield  
Waterford, CT.*

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**Lee & Suzanne Hatfield** - October 28, 2014 at 07:27 PM

AH

“ I'm so sorry for your loss - Bob was wonderful guy to work with and will be missed! You are in my thoughts and prayers.



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**Angel - Philips Healthcare** - October 28, 2014 at 03:35 PM

WB

“ To the Mackle Family,

*It's truly sad to hear about Bob passing. I worked with Bob on a few Projects. He was one of the nicest guys I've ever met. He will be missed.*

*Warren Bond at Philips HealthCare*



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**Warren Bond** - October 28, 2014 at 02:45 PM

AS

“ I worked with Bob for over 5 years at Philips and we used to sit opposite each other for about 4 of those years. I still remember my entrance interview with him. He had the most difficult interview questions out of the entire group, and it was obvious that he had an engineering mind. Bob was loved by all at Philips. He never rubbed anyone the wrong way, he was always jovial and always had a positive attitude. The world has lost a very gentle and kind-hearted person. May his soul rest in peace.

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**Asad** - October 28, 2014 at 02:41 PM