



## Roger A. Green

March 3, 1941 - December 13, 2015

Portsmouth - Roger Alin Green, 74, died Sunday, December 13, 2015 at his home in Portsmouth.

He was born in Worcester, MA on March 3, 1941, a son of the late Clair Green and Isabella (Alin) Green Nystrom.

Roger lived in Shrewsbury, MA for many years where he was active in and served as President of the Jaycees. He later moved to West Bath, ME where he was elected selectman and recently relocated to Portsmouth.

Roger graduated from Worcester Boys Trade High School. He joined the Massachusetts Army National Guard and became a fixed wing and helicopter pilot. He went on to become a commercial airline pilot for Northeast and then Delta Airlines for 35 years; four of those years were as chief pilot in Boston. He was a member of Matthew John Whittall Masonic Lodge in Shrewsbury, MA and a Shriner. He was an avid hunter, skier, motorcyclist, and sailor.

Roger was a natural born leader with a lively sense of humor who touched many lives in a very positive manner.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his first wife Joan (Carlson) Green, her parents Holger and Mildred Carlson, and his son Matthew Green.

He is survived by his step father, Kenneth Nystrom; his wife, Wilda (Pray) Nason Green; his son Jeffrey Green and his wife Susan; his daughter, Elizabeth (Beth) McGilvray and her husband Timothy; his step sons, Peter and Mark Nason; his grandchildren, Nicholas Green, Brodie and Adam Green, Tabatha and Alex Nason and Flynn and Patrick McGilvray; his sister Barbara Seeger and her husband, Richard; his brother Jon Green and his wife Judith; his sisters-in-law, Lorraine Letteney and Duska Parsons; his brother-in-law Victor Pauplis, several nieces and nephews and special people, Allison, Brianna and Cassidy Griffes.

Visiting hours will be from 4 to 8 pm with Masonic Services at 4:30, on Wednesday, December 16, 2015 in the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home – Crematory, 811 Lafayette Rd., Hampton. Funeral Services will be held at 11 am on Thursday at the Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, 22 Fox Run Rd., Newington. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Salvation Army at <https://donate.salvationarmyusa.org/>.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 16. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Masonic Service

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## Service

DEC 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church  
22 Fox Run Road  
Newington, NH 03801

# Tribute Wall



“ *Roger A. Green*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *To Roger's family,  
My family knew Roger when he attended Belmont Street Baptist Church in Worcester, Mass. Roger was on my father's basketball team. They played during the winter every week, Friday or Saturday evening. My parents, Robert and Dorothy Palenius wanted to send their deepest sympathies. Ann (Palenius) Douglas*

**Ann Douglas** - December 21, 2015 at 02:53 PM



“ *Wilda, We were so sorry to hear about Roger. We have very fond memories of being at your home in West Bath with you all. He had a great laugh. Please accept our deepest sympathies. John and Abby Dunlap*

**Abby Dunlap** - December 18, 2015 at 10:03 AM



“ *Mr. Green,  
You are a big part of the reason why I love, fear and respect the ocean. I will never forget sailing with you and going for rides on your bike. Thank you for being an integral part of my childhood. I hope heaven is filled with rice pilaf, maple syrup and the Liten Van. Sail on, Mr. Green and may you rest in peace.*

*Jen Gurnick Anderson*

**Jen Gurnick Anderson** - December 17, 2015 at 07:35 PM



Jen  
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*And Jeff, Beth, Wilda and family, I am so sorry for your loss. He was such a great man. My prayers are with you all.*

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**Jen Gurnick Anderson** - December 17, 2015 at 07:40 PM

JO

*“ I had the pleasure of flying with Captain Roger Green and I am sad to hear of his passing. We were hired at the same time. Sorry for you loss of this wonderful man and sending many prayers for the family. The Captains of our group are becoming less everyday. Rogers friend, Captain Joe Ozment.*

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**Joe Ozment** - December 17, 2015 at 06:31 PM

BP

*“ Roger: You sure left some big shoes to fill  
From the first day I met you when hired by Northeast Airlines back in 1967  
I knew you were a first class individual, always putting people at ease.  
Trying to make life more enjoyable and pleasant.  
If the world were full of Roger Greens, it would be a wonderful world to live in.  
It was heart warming for me knowing we were such close friends, I will try and  
follow in your footsteps. You left us a lasting memory. For that we  
Thank You.*

*Bob & Lil Patrick*

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**Bob Patrick** - December 17, 2015 at 07:19 AM

JT

“ *The Captain everyone wanted to fly with, the best boss I ever had, the man we all admired so much and didn't want to disappoint, the loyal friend, and he made it look so easy and always so much FUN for everyone around him! Roger knew how life should be lived and he had the courage to do it his way, thank God! We were all so blessed to have him in our lives and once we recover from this shock, our many memories of him will be putting happiness and laughter in our hearts and smiles on our faces for many years to come.*

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**Jeff Totman** - December 17, 2015 at 04:39 AM

JH

“ *Dear Wilda, the Green Family, and Friends,*

*On behalf of the Delta Golden Wings, the fraternal organization of retired Delta pilots, of which Roger was a member, I wish to extend to you the condolences and sympathies of our members at his passing.*

*The bond of friendship and respect from the time shared as pilots for Delta Air Lines, both professionally and personally, is an enduring memory of Roger.*

*Sincere Best Wishes,  
Capt. James J. Hoogerwerf (ret.)  
DGW, Secretary*



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**James Hoogerwerf** - December 16, 2015 at 11:29 AM

MC

“ *This is way too soon for him to be gone. Wilda---our prayers are with roger and you. Maurice "Mike" Cloutier*

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**Maurice "Mike" Cloutier** - December 16, 2015 at 10:22 AM

ND

“ *My deepest regrets to Rodgers family.  
Us NEA NY based Pilots always wanted a Chief Pilot like Rodger.  
He was a great guy.  
NEA and I will miss him.  
Nick Deleo  
Class 67*

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**Nick Deleo** - December 16, 2015 at 09:38 AM

PJ

“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



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**Paul Johnsom** - December 16, 2015 at 09:12 AM

PP

“ *So sorry to hear this news!! Roger was a wonderful man and always looked out for our family!. We shared many laughs while planning mom's retirement party and he was there when mom flew west. I know mom, Pat Malone, greeted him with open arms!. Light and love to those left behind.*

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**Patricia Malone Perry** - December 16, 2015 at 08:56 AM

CK

“ Wilda, My love and prayers go out to you and your family. I will always remember Rogers laugh.He was always so much fun to be around.Let your memories be with you always. Love Carol Finn

Carol Kinn - December 16, 2015 at 08:43 AM

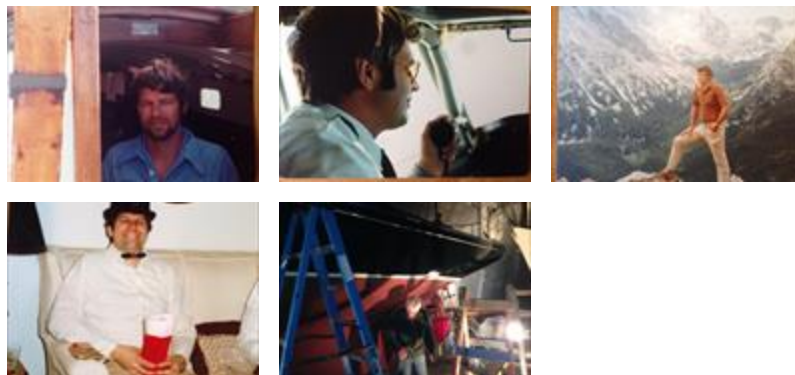
CC

“ Roger was the only Chief Pilot I trusted 100%. I had the most fun flying in my career with Roger the last month before he retired on the Moscow layovers. He will be sorely missed and has set the bar for how we should live our lives...to the fullest! Respectfully, Christopher Conroy

Christopher Conroy - December 16, 2015 at 08:05 AM

JG

“ 7 files added to the tribute wall



Jeff Green - December 16, 2015 at 07:36 AM

MF

“ Wilda and family, our deepest sympathies. A life taken way to early. Find peace and happiness in the wonderful memories that Roger has left you with. Sincerely Michael and Terri Finn

Michael Finn - December 16, 2015 at 07:23 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Roger A. Green.*



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December 15, 2015 at 11:16 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Roger A. Green.*



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December 15, 2015 at 10:46 PM



“ *Our hearts and prayers are with Captain Green's family today and always.*

*Julian Black  
DGW*

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**Julian Black** - December 15, 2015 at 10:19 PM

TG

“ *Early morning trumpet blasts to get us out of bed when Beth and I were in high school.*

*Hop, skip and go naked - the comment I so remember you yelling at the back yard pool parties. You always had a smile. I was blessed to be "a member of the family" in my Jr. High and High School years. Continue to share that smile up above and please give Joan and Matt a high five for me. See you on the other side Roger. You were an amazing role model for me growing up. Honored and humbled to have known you.*



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**Tracey Gagner** - December 15, 2015 at 09:32 PM

FT

“ *Roger and I were classmates when hired by NE. He never let me forget he was one number senior to me. His clever wit and good humor got us through DC-6 training successfully and Roger did make it fun. I'll never forget the simulator sessions in MIA and later training flights.*

*I left the Boston Base before Roger ascended to the position of Chief Pilot but, I'm sure he was the best the base ever had.*

*God's Speed Captain Green we'll meet again.*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your lovely family. It was great to have spent those precious hours together at Northeast Air Lines.*

*Fred & Joyce Tammany  
Lander, WY*

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**Fred Tammany** - December 15, 2015 at 08:56 PM

DB

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Dave and Lisa Bushy - December 15, 2015 at 08:00 PM



“ 112 files added to the album LifeTributes



Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - December 15, 2015 at 04:34 PM

CN

“ Oh Roger,

*How we are going to miss you! I can still hear your special laugh whether it was in the Chief Pilot's office or at our ROMEO gatherings. Thank you for your Vietnam service and flying your "Loach" all around that combat zone. I was always tempted to pull the pin on your "complaint department" hand grenade but never did. Great memories from the Shrewsbury Pig Roast where I learned the meaning of "in sickness and in health" and how well you cared for Joan. You were always all brass and no baloney. Your reward for doing right was of course Wilda. For sure you will see her again.*

*If only our management, our customers and our fellow employees knew how responsible your management style was that yielded a focus on safety and responsibility. We never wanted to disappoint you and I believe we did not. Well done Roger, well done.*

*Chris Nevins*

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**Chris Nevins** - December 15, 2015 at 02:41 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Roger A. Green.*



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December 15, 2015 at 01:20 PM

DB

“ Roger Green was a dear friend who loved and lived life with exuberance, joy and passion. Whether he was flying an airplane, skiing, boating or riding his motorcycle, he could not contain his enthusiasm. It was, quite simply, so much fun to be around him! Roger lived life to its fullest - loved his family and friends deeply. We have all lost someone precious to us - it is now up to us to carry on his spirit and model his traits of caring, love and compassion. We will pray for Wilda and the rest of the family and help them celebrate a life well lived.

*Dave and Lisa Bushy*

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**Dave and Lisa Bushy** - December 15, 2015 at 12:30 PM

RM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Ron & Cindy Morin** - December 15, 2015 at 12:28 PM

RM

*"The greatest gift of love is remembrance". Captain Roger, you will always be in our thought's & memories. I will cherish forever the times we spent in your "Man Cave" up in West Bath, Maine. Smoking good cigars & sipping Jack Daniels! Cindy and I cherish the Sunday afternoon several weeks ago watching the Patriot's game with you & Wilda. Keep your turns up & the needles married while buzzing through Heaven's Gate.  
Semper Fi. Roger  
Ron & Cindy Morin*

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**Ron & Cindy Morin** - December 16, 2015 at 11:23 AM

MB

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



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**Mark & Julie Bode** - December 15, 2015 at 11:20 AM

MB

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Mark & Julie Bode** - December 15, 2015 at 10:41 AM

JB

*Roger ... You will be so missed! Thanks for being our "Ride Captain" and getting "the wheels in the well" early each day. We will all ride together again one day in heaven. Until then ... You will be in our memories. Wilda ... Dear Friend ... You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Julie Bode** - December 15, 2015 at 08:49 PM

SW

*Flying with Roger was never work. He was the best and was one of the reasons I loved flying out of Boston. Steve Wilkie*

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**Steven Wilkie** - December 16, 2015 at 07:25 AM

BC

*You were the very best of the best Roger. You always had a smile on your face and so did everyone else when you were around. I am so glad we got to fly together in Boston. Whenever I saw your name on my schedule, I knew it would be a great month. Thanks always for the memories. If I am lucky, I'll get to see you again up there. My sincerest sympathies to your family,*

*Bruce Cullen*

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**Bruce Cullen** - December 18, 2015 at 11:38 PM

AW

*What can be said that has not already been said about Roger. I won't repeat but only say I agree with everything that has been posted. "only the good die young" Hopefully, 40 flap landings are available on the other side, get ready.*

*Art (another a..hole) and Helen Williams*

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**Art Williams** - December 24, 2015 at 09:22 AM