



*In Memory of*  
**Albert L. Durling**

**August 16, 1941 - December 28, 2014**

**Visitation**

**Friday, January 02, 2015 | 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm**

Foley Funeral Home and Cremation Service

49 Court Street, Keene, NH 03431 | (603) 352-0341

**Driving Directions**

Albert L. "Monty" Durling, 73, a resident of Keene, NH, passed away peacefully at his home on Sunday, December 28, 2014, following a strong and courageous battle with cancer.

He was born August 16, 1941, in Winchester, NH, the son of Edgar and Marlana (Houle) Durling. He was a 1959 graduate of Keene High School where he was a member of the Blackbird's basketball and baseball teams. After High School he went on to play Minor League Baseball for the Philadelphia Phillies and the Minnesota Twins. In 1963 he left baseball and went to work for JP Stevens Textile in Cheraw, South Carolina. In 1970, he and his family returned to the Monadnock Region where he became a proud member of the New Hampshire State Police. He was a part of the K-9 division where he and Felix, affectionately known to his family as "world famous tracking bloodhound", worked as a team.

Al retired from the New Hampshire State Police after 23 years of service. Although he was retired, he still liked to keep himself busy. He enjoyed working in the

maintenance department at the Bretwood Golf Course. He liked to be out in the early morning on his mower. Sports remained a passion for Al. He played softball, golfed, and bowled.

Above everything, his love of his family and his love of God are what brought him the most joy. He was an active member of the Parish of the Holy Spirit as a member of St. Bernard Church, where he had served as an Alter Server and Eucharistic Minister. He would also bring Communion to those who were elderly and unable to get out of their homes or nursing homes.

He is survived by his companion and life-partner: Barbara C. Mudrack of Keene, NH; two daughters: Kimberly A. Swett and her husband, Frank, of Troy, NH, and Pamela D. Patnode and her husband, Matthew, of Marlborough, NH; three grandchildren: Madison E. Swett, Allyson T. Patnode and Logan M. Patnode, and several extended family members. He is also survived by his former wife and the mother of his children: Dorothy Barnhart Durling of Keene, NH. He is predeceased by his parents and two brothers: Edgar Durling, Jr. and Harold Rabideau.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at St. Bernard Church, 185 Main Street, Keene, NH, on Saturday, January 3, 2015, at 10:00am. Burial will follow in the St. Joseph Cemetery, Main Street, Keene, NH. Family and friends are invited to call on the family from 5 to 7pm on Friday, January 2, 2015, at the Foley Funeral Home, 49 Court Street, Keene, NH.

Flowers are welcome or contributions may be made to the Kingsbury Center for Cancer Care, 580 Court Street, Keene, NH.