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neau; and many nieces and nephews.

Ray was predeceased by his son, Kevin Descoteaux; and four brothers, Leo, Henry, Romeo, and Armand Descoteaux.

There were no calling hours. His service was held at the New Hampshire State Veteran Cemetery on April 22 with military honors.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Ray's memory can be made to Boys Town New England, Bararsky Campus, 58 Flanagan Road, Portsmouth RI 02871; or St. John the Baptist Church Restoration Fund, 10 School Street, Suncook 03275.

For more information or to view an on-line guestbook and memorial, please go to CSNH.com.

DARLENE B. HERSEY, 54, died April 15, 2011 at Mountain Ridge Center, Genesis Eldercare in Franklin following a long illness from and due to complications of multiple sclerosis. She was born in Franklin on November 9, 1956, the daughter of Raymond G. Hersey and Dorothy (Flanders) Hersey.

She grew up in East Andover and was a graduate of Franklin High School Class of 1974. She attended the University of New Hampshire.

Darlene lived in Franklin most of her life and formerly worked at Beede Electric in Penacook and Poly Clad Laminates in Franklin. She was an avid NASCAR fan, and in 1997 met and was photographed with her favorite NASCAR driver, Dale Earnhardt, Sr.

She was predeceased by her brother, Russell A. Hersey, Sr. in 2000. She is survived by her parents, Raymond G. Hersey and Dorothy (Flanders) Hersey of East Andover; two sisters, Lucille Twombly of Concord and Charlotte Pellerin of Bedford; aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins; and her close friend, Ed Zimmerman of South Carolina.

Friends and relatives called on April 18 at the Andover Congregational Church in East Andover. Funeral services followed in the church with Reverend John J. Wagner, Pastor, officiat-

ing. Burial was in Lakeside Cemetery, East Andover.

Memorial contributions may be made in Darlene's memory to the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust, PO Box 2040, New London 03257.

JUNE VIOLA PHELPS, born June 28, 1928, died in the comfort of her home and in the presence of her children on April 15, 2011. Born in Lewiston, Maine to Charles and Eva (Annis) Reed, she moved to the Elmwood section of Danbury in 1933 and remained there for the rest of her life.

She graduated from Andover High School in 1946 as class valedictorian and married Myrl Chandler Phelps, Sr. that same year. For 30 years she led the

Flying Yankees 4-H Club. She was a charter member of the Lee H. Knapp Post #96 American Legion Auxiliary and a member and officer of the Danbury Baptist Church/United Church of Danbury.

Although she was primarily a homemaker, she also worked with her husband when they owned the Danbury General Store and Phelps gas station. She believed in conservation and recycling before it became popular to do so. She enjoyed reading, photography, sketching, writing, canoeing, hiking, snow shoeing, cross country skiing, bird watching, baking, and spending time with her family.

She was predeceased by her husband of 47 years in 1993, by her son Peter in 1958, and by her daughter Kathleen Colby in 2004. She is survived by her other children, June Hubbard of Landaff, Donald Phelps of Chelan, Washington, Myrl Phelps, Jr., James Phelps, Dennis Phelps, Stanley Phelps, Ruby Hill, and Audrey Pellegrino, all of Danbury, Ruth Bidwell of Penacook, and Daniel Phelps of Hill as well as dozens of grandchildren and great-grandchildren and a brother, George Reed, of Alexandria.

Calling hours were held at the Chadwick Funeral Home in New Lon-

don. The funeral service was at the United Church of Danbury, with a graveside service to follow at the Phelps Family Cemetery on Ragged Mountain Road. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the United Church of Danbury or to the Danbury Community Center.

Laurie Ferguson, 56, of Ward Lane, died Sunday, April 17, 2011 at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon. She was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania on April 3, 1955.

Laurie graduated from Colby-Sawyer College and Middlebury College, where she excelled as a student and ski racer. A resident of Andover for 25 years, she enjoyed a successful career in public relations and marketing, with clients including the League of New Hampshire Craftsmen's Fair and Ski New Hampshire.

In 2004 she became Executive Director of New Hampshire Made, the non-profit marketing organization that strengthens the state's economy by increasing the awareness and demand for New Hampshire-made products and services through its annual *Guide to New Hampshire Products and Services*, its Web site and on-line store at

NHMade.com, and its two retail stores. For her accomplishments at New Hampshire Made she earned recognition through a number of prestigious state and regional awards, including the 2007 New Hampshire Business Review Business Excellence Award, the 2010 Outstanding Women in Business Award, and the 2010 class of Leadership New Hampshire. She loved New Hampshire, its mountains, lakes, seacoast, and people.

Laurie was an active community volunteer and a valued member of the Wilmot Baptist Church, particularly in work with children, including teaching Sunday School and helping teens in the Young Life ministry.

She is survived by her fiance Allen Koop; her sons Buckman and Canon; her brothers Sanford, Bruce, and Gary Ferguson; her parents Bob and Louise Ferguson; and nieces and nephews. She devoted herself to Christ, to Allen, to Buckman and Canon, to her work, and to the well-being of all those touched by her radiant life.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, April 29, at 4 PM at The First Baptist Church in New London. Private burial will be held in Proctor Cemetery in Andover.

Memorial contributions may be made to Wilmot Baptist Church, PO Box 101, Wilmot 03287. To sign an on-line guestbook, please visit ChadwickFuneralService.com.



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