Deaths *from page 32*

Fitchburg, MA, on June 28, 1952. They eventually settled in Acton, MA with their two sons, Paul Gardner and David Henry. Gardner had a long career in the printing industry and Emma worked in the field of nursing. In 1964, they moved their young family to New London, NH, where Gardner purchased a printing business called The Country Press and ran it until his retirement in 1980. He has been credited with starting the Kearsarge Shopper, still popular today as the number one advertiser for the region, no ad solicitation ever needed! He was known in the community as a hard-working, honest and friendly business owner who always made good on his promises. His wife, Emma, ran the infirmary at Colby Junior College and their two sons enjoyed growing up in New London, active in local sports, outdoor activities, music, theater and church youth groups. The family took a picnic lunch up to the White Mountains on many Sunday afternoons and enjoyed camping and traveling across the US together. A favorite family pastime, originating from Gardner's own childhood, was exploring NH backroads; a coin was flipped to determine their direction at any given crossroads, and more than once, they ended up in someone's driveway! Even in his final years of life, Gardner would enjoy this pastime with his stepdaughter, Paula, who would drive him around exploring the backroads of their county in Ohio.

Gardner was an active Christian leader, along with his wife, and served in the local church wherever he lived throughout his long life. During the 1960's, he sang in a quartet called The Lamplighters, performing in many small New England churches and even recording an album. In 1980, he and Emma retired to Cape Coral, Florida and, for the next 25 years, enjoyed traveling in their RV all over the US, including a trip to Alaska. Both their sons eventually settled in NH and raised their families there. Gardner, affectionately known as "Grampy" by his four grandchildren, was a tease and a prankster, playing endless games, such as Rummikub and Canasta, and exploring historic sites and nature with his grandkids. He and Emma enjoyed summers in NH at Rumney Bible Conference, where they had an RV set up permanently for several years.

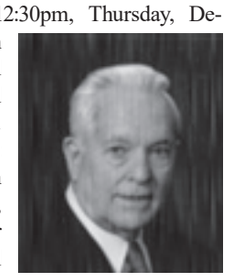
After Emma passed away in 2006, Gardner remarried at age 84 and began a whole new life with Ellen Hunn and her extended family out in New Lebanon, Ohio. They "adopted" him into their family and cared well for him in his later years. He always loved making new friends and was active in their church. He was always proud of the fact that no one could guess his age. Gardner's legacy can be seen in the love and strong Christian faith of the next three generations in his family. He will be missed greatly by all who called him Dad, Grampy, and friend.

Gardner was preceded in death by his parents, Leonard and Millicent Benson, sister Martha, first wife Emma, and son Paul. He is survived by wife, Ellen Hunn Benson, of New Lebanon, OH; son David and his wife Diane Benson of East Andover, NH; daughter-in-law Cynthia Benson, of Andover, NH; grandchildren Caren (David) Swanson of Pittsburgh, PA; Lindsey (Scott) Allenby of Andover, NH; Carmen (Jeremy) Palmquist, of Raymond, NH; Jonathan (Meredith) Benson of Beverly, MA; and 10 great-grandchildren. Gardner is also survived by his sister, Addie Progen, of Acton, MA, two nieces, and step-daughters Linda (Gary) Billings, of Merritt Island, FL; Lynne (Eric) Magel, of Zephryhills, FL; Denise (Charles) Alford, of West Carrollton, OH; and Paula (David) Fickel, of New Lebanon, OH; and their families.

A service was held in New Lebanon, Ohio on Monday, December 18 at Rogers Funeral Home. Another service will be held in NH with the date and time still to be decided. Gardner will be buried next to his first wife Emma in Natick, MA.

Donations may be made to Hospice of Dayton, 324 Wilmington Pike, Dayton, Ohio 45420 (https://www.hospiceofdayton.org/donations/) in memory of Gardner.

Frank Henry Remington, 85, joined his bride in heaven on Wednesday, December 20, 2017, and passed peacefully in Willow Park.



Service: 12:30pm, Thursday, December 28th in the Laurel Land Chapel of Chimes. Visitation: 6pm – 8pm Wednesday, December 27th at Laurel Land. Interment: Laurel Land Memorial Park of Ft Worth.

Frank was born in Wilmont, NH, on September 15, 1932, to Earl Remington and Martha Philbrick. He married the love of his life Louise A. Putney on November 30, 1957.He was a devoted father of 5 and dedicated 23.5 years to the United States Air Force. After retiring from the Air Force he went on to complete his college education where he became a teacher. He taught math and earth science for 20+ years in Bath, ME. Frank was an avid golfer and a professional bowler who was inducted into the Bowler's Hall of Fame 3 times. He was an incredible handy-man that enjoyed woodworking and working on cars.

He had a soft heart for animals and has left behind his beloved dog Brownie and cat Callie. Brownie was the "Man's Best Friend" to Frank even more than ever post the passing of his wife Louise in 2013.

Frank was preceded in death by his parents, his two sisters, and three brothers, his soul mate and wife, Louise, and his grandson Garrett Remington, dog Happy Jo, and cat Suzy Belle.

Survivors: children, Amanda Combs and husband Benjamin Combs, Laura Gilchrist, Frank Remington Jr., Roxana Hodges and husband Michael, and Roderick Remington; grandchildren, Douglas Wooden Jr. and wife Nikki, Andrea Wooden and dog Bebe, Amy Remington, Meagan Gilchrist, Jackie Hodges, Tracy Hodges, Lindsay Hodges, and Heidi Hodges; step grandchildren, Jason Combs and wife Heather; great-grandchildren, Kinley Combs, Jett Combs, Brayden Wooden, Zoey Wooden, Aspen Robles; and several nieces and nephews.

Note: Local friends have indicated that Mr. Remington was a member of the Andover High School Class of 1952.

See Deaths *on page 34*

Kearsarge Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

Stone Chapel of Proctor Academy, Andover
11 AM Worship on Sundays
526-8213 • kuufnh.org

Chadwick Funeral and Cremation Service

Personalization

There are so many ways to make a tribute to a loved one personal. We have lovely memorial folders and prayer cards which may be tailored to meet your needs. We can use a picture, poem, or scripture with special meaning, play a DVD of photos at calling hours, or distribute at the service a memento which had some meaning to the deceased. We can custom-tailor music, including vocal soloists or instruments, and the ride to the cemetery can include special vehicles.

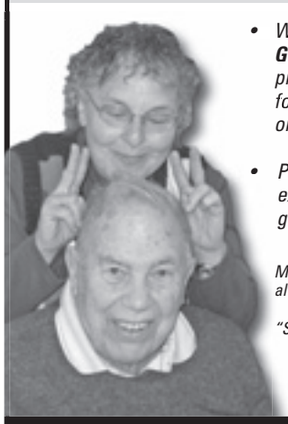
There are so many ways to personalize a loving tribute to a life lived. We would be honored to help you create a meaningful and special time together. Call Marion and Charlie at 526-6442 to discuss the possibilities.

Charles, Marion (Chadwick) and Dan Hafner
526-6442 • www.ChadwickFuneralService.com • Hafner@tds.net

Lake Sunapee Region VNA & HOSPICE

Are you caring for someone with memory loss who could benefit from social interaction?

"It is very important that the person with Alzheimer's disease be engaged in routine activities that provide meaning and socialization. Providing this level of mental engagement can be difficult for one caregiver to manage."
— Alzheimer's Association



- *With locations in New London and Lebanon our **GOOD DAY RESPITE PROGRAM** can help...by providing a safe, stimulating environment for individuals with mild to moderate dementia or memory loss.*
- *Participants socialize, share stories and life experiences, enjoy music and art, engage in games and crafts...and more.*

My late husband Don, who loved to kid around, always had a good time at the respite program.

"Sadness melts away when you see participants smiling, singing and engaged!"
—Joan Lamson

107 Newport Road • New London, NH 03257
603.526.4077
www.lakesunapeevna.org