



Herbert Carlos Verry

April 20, 1998 - April 20, 2016

Orfordville, NH Herbert Carlos Verry passed away peacefully in his sleep, Wednesday April 20, 2016. He was 91. Herb was the second child of three born to Florence Proctor and Frank Verry in Hillsboro, NH on March 18, 1925. He was very proud of his hometown and loved to tell people about it. Graduating a year early from Hillsboro High, he completed a six-month college program at the University of New Hampshire. Eager to serve his country he went onto Michigan State College for preflight cadet training. At age 18 he joined the Army Air Force on July 16, 1943. Herb served 9 Months in the southwest Pacific and Caribbean theater as a radio operator on a B-29 Superfortress named Slim after actress, Lauren Bacall. After the war he kept in contact with his crewmembers and would travel around the country attending reunions with them. Herb was the last surviving member of his crew. He was honorably discharged in 1946 then went on to UNH and earned a degree in occupational therapy. There he met the love of his life, Laura Washburn. After a summer affiliation at Skillman, NJ Epileptic Colony, they married there in August 1948. That was the beginning of their adventuresome life, deciding to honeymoon by riding their bicycles and camping from NJ to NH. During their early marriage and with everlasting teamwork, Laura provided while Herb was able to earn his second degree in Physical Therapy at Sargent College, which is part of Boston University, and for several years worked in the Spinal Cord Unit of the University Hospital in Boston. They moved and worked at many clinical affiliations in several eastern states and met many life long friends through work and church. In 1960 they purchased the Washburn homestead located on "Washburn Hill" which has been in the family since 1864. In 1981 they moved there fulltime always keeping the place well maintained and cared for. They continued to work providing care to patient's homes well into the 1990's. Herb had many hobbies. At an early age he and his brother Frankie had a fascination for aviation and later he became a pilot himself. He loved flying, ballooning and gliding out of his favorite airport in Post Mills, VT. He was an avid photographer and enjoyed sharing his wealth of knowledge inspiring many. His wedding and nature photographs are treasured. They loved mountain climbing, canoeing, wildlife, cats and music. For many years they were proud members of the Lyme Town Band, performing throughout the twin states. He leaves behind a sister, Bernice "Bunny" Perry of Newport NH; a sister-in-law, Joyce Washburn

Flint, of Newport VT; a brother-in-law, Harvey Horton Washburn and wife Geraldine Washburn of Orford, NH, and many cousins, nieces and nephews. Herb was predeceased by his parents, his beloved wife Laura, and brother Frank Verry. Memorial services will be held at the Orfordville Congregational Church Wednesday, April 27th at 1pm. Burial will follow with military honors in the family lot in the Orford Street Cemetery. A reception will follow at the Orford Street Congregational Church. The Hale Funeral Homes and Cremation Care of Bradford, VT is in charge of arrangements. To view an online guestbook go to www.halefuneralhomes.com

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Tribute Wall

TB

“ We fondly remember our good friend Herb Verry and his wife Laura from the time they lived in Lakeville MA and were active members of the Lakeville United Church of Christ. After they moved back to the homestead in Orford, we were their guests on several occasions and could see why they loved the old farm. Toby and Herb spent many hours together flying both here in MA at the Taunton Airport and at the Post Mills Airport in VT. Herb always had his camera along to photograph the scenery. We will cherish our friendship with Herb and Laura.

Toby and Maureen Baird - January 24 at 02:49 PM

MW

“ Herb was a very special person. I will miss putting in his hearing aids for him when I delivered a HM or doing a little grocery shopping for him. or bringing in his newspaper. He even lent me a couple of books to read about World War II survivors which were great. I'll miss you Herb. My deepest sympathy. Mary

Mary Welch - January 24 at 02:49 PM

TF

“ Herb, you will be greatly missed. We have beautiful wedding photos that you took and we cherish that you and Laura were such a special part of our wedding day. We have many memories of visiting with you and Laura when we up in you fields helping papa Horton hay. Rest in peace and join Laura in Heaven.

The Streeter Family - January 24 at 02:49 PM

JG

“ I have a huge regret that I never really got to know my Dads Cousin Herbie. I hear he was a wonderful human being. Reading the obituary says so much about what a full life he had and a wonderful man he was. I'm sure if we didn't live in Illinois and closer to New Hampshire we would have seen quite a bit of Herbie and Laura. Maybe someday we will meet when I am called home. Rest in peace to my 2nd cousin Herbie.

Joan Geinosky - January 24 at 02:49 PM

DT

“ I came to know Herb and Laura when I was state representative back in the early 1990s. What wonderful people who inspired me in many ways. I had not seen Herb for many years as I am working overseas in Africa now, but learning of his passing brought back many positive memories.

Doug Teschner - January 24 at 02:49 PM

DN

“ A candle was lit by Debby zukowski. neice on May 1, 2016 5:50 PM

Debby zukowski. neice - January 24 at 02:49 PM

DZ

“ Uncle Herburt was an inspiration to me every time I came to NH for a visit. I was looking forward to seeking him again this year. He will truly be missed by all of us. He will always be in my heart and in my thoughts.

Debby Zukowski - January 24 at 02:49 PM

JC

“ I am so sorry that I was not able to participate in celebrating Herb's life. He was such a sweet and generous soul! I taught photography at the Orford School and then Rivendell Academy for 11 years, and Herb visited my classroom countless times--loading the trunk of his car with his extensive collection of cameras, and sharing them with my students as an interactive "timeline of photography." He brought everything from a classic turn-of-the-century Kodak Brownie, to a complete Leica outfit (the first 35mm still camera), to his modern autofocus camera--and was quick to provide the good advice that I still call the Verry Rule: "If you want people to think you're a great photographer, don't show them your bad photos!" I know that the world is a lesser place without Herb, but I also know that he is in a better place, and so much happier being reunited with his beloved Laura. Blessings to the Washburn and Verry families; I am so grateful that you shared Herb with me!

Joy Michelson Clancy - January 24 at 02:49 PM