

## March 30, 2023

GILMANATON ---- Martha (née Oliveri) Levesque died on Thursday, March 30, 2023, surrounded by the love of her children. She is predeceased by her beloved husband of 59 years, Paul, who died on May 9, 2014, and her cherished daughter Julie, who died on October 26, 2022.

Martha is survived by a loving family, including her brother, Joseph Oliveri and his husband Mario LoCicero; her four children, Yvonne Megenis, Robert Levesque, Christopher Levesque, and Mia Levesque; their spouses, Rich Megenis, Hannah Cutler, Jackie Levesque, and Tracy Levesque; her six grandchildren, Erica, Sarah, Matthew, Tyler, Andre, and Remy. Martha also leaves behind extended family, and a large community of friends and chosen family throughout the Gilmanton area.

Martha was a fierce, independent woman with a passion for trees and the environment. Her profound love of books and reading permeated her entire life. She spent years as a volunteer and member of the Board of Trustees of the Gilmanton Corner Public Library. She also volunteered for years at the St. Joseph Parish Food Pantry. She was an active communicant of St. Joseph Parish in Belmont, serving many roles in the church, including teacher, Eucharistic minister, and altar server. Her favorite role was running the annual Book Fair.

Martha was a renaissance woman with a growth mindset. Always open to change and learning, she was sharp, open-minded, curious, and witty, with a keen sense of justice and acceptance. She loved the arts, including opera, theater, classical music and streaming services. She embraced new technology, harnessing its power to stay connected to people and the world. Martha was an amazing cook and baker, with thousands of recipes in her arsenal.

Loved by her family, friends and community, she lived an independent, admirable, impactful life. She was missed the moment she left us and will forever be in our hearts and minds.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Friday, April 14, 2023 at 10:00am at St. Joseph Parish, 69 Main Street, Belmont, NH 03220.

Graveside Services will be held at a later date at Smith Meeting House Cemetery, 604 Meeting House Road, Gilmanton Iron Works, NH.

In lieu of any flowers, memorial donations may be made to The Gilmanton Corner Library, 509 Province Road, P.O. Box 504, Gilmanton, NH 03237 (https://www.gilmantonnh.org/gilmanton-corner-public-library); St. Joseph Parish Food Pantry, P.O. Box 285, Belmont, NH, 03220 (https://www.stjosephbelmont.org/online-giving.html); The Sierra Club (https://www.sierraclub.org/).

Wilkinson-Beane-Simoneau-Paquette Funeral Home & Cremation Services and 603Cremations.com, Laconia, NH, is assisting the family with arrangements. For more information and to view an online memorial, please visit www.wilkinsonbeane.com.

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