

Looking for the story behind this schoolbus, located off the trail from Sawtooth to Grant Hill. Must have been abandoned in a field that grew up around it about 30 years ago?



Maureen Smith-Vogus
Partridge Family

Ruth True
Bet there hornets nest in it.

Lisa Robinson

It's a good thing it's cold out!

Candace LaRoche Daigle

When I was very young my mother and I would pick blueberries there at King Little's and he always had school buses, at differing stages of age/disrepair, parked in his field.

Lisa Robinson

anyone still around from that family? My friend photographs abandoned places and things for his books. He wrote Abandoned New Hampshire and Abandoned Maine 🍷

Candace LaRoche Daigle

King and Iona are certainly gone. I think King died in 1976. I believe Marion and Arlene were daughters. Marion passed in 1989 and I think Arlene passed also. She last lived on Rte 140 in the Corners. For those of you who remember Bill Hackett at the dump (and it was a dump at that time), he came to Gilmanton to live with the Littles when he was young. Anyone feel free to make corrections to any of this info.

Sandra Bean

I rode the school bus when King and Iona drove it. Iona drove-I believe King had vision problems-King always got out and check traffic before he would let the children cross. It saved us one day as a car was going fast pulled around the bus and nearly ran over King. We used to go to the farm and buy apples. Bill was a great help to them and years later I went to the dump and he remembered me. I believe Arlene married Rick Seigel from the Corners, I don't know if they had any children or not.

Linda Willard Gullage

and Ruth Wrigley are their granddaughters they are both on Facebook!

Jim Valtz

So it's NOT "The missing, haunted Gilmanton school bus" of scary campfire days??

Lisa Robinson

I remember Bill

Israel Willard

Arlene was there only child Marion was Charilers

Ann L'Italien

I'd love to hike out there and photograph it. Thank you!

Lisa Robinson

it's not far off the road-

Ann L'Italien

Good to know. Thank you!

Bobbie Jo Benware

I am new I don't know where that trail is?

Ann L'Italien

If you drive on rt140 from the Corners towards Alton, after you crest the long hill out of the Corners (Varney Hill) and are going down the other side, keep an eye to your left and you'll see Sawtooth Rd. Drive to the end of Sawtooth Rd and, I believe,...

Anne Harris Onion

you don't go all the way to the end of Sawtooth...the trail is across from the end of Rogers Road... which makes sense since my understanding is that the Littles lived up on What is now Rogers Road. Also, the trail ...

Ann L'Italien

Thank you!

Lisa Robinson

yes

Scott Febonio

not much of a hike about 100 yards off sawtooth rd lol

Ann L'Italien

Thank you! 😊

Kelley Desmarais

Thank you! Also interested in going to take some pictures!

Lisa Brace

My mom's grandfather was a Little (Charlie Little) and I know we have talked about this bus so let me ask again

Anne Harris Onion

I have seen this as well...thank you for asking about it,

Candace LaRoche Daigle

Wonderful. It's a story to add to our history!

Evelyn Sanville

I also rode the school bus with Iona and King as our bus drivers. Also remember Charlie Little. Brings back memories, but we are dating ourselves.

Michael Furchert

The blue bus is calling us.

Maybe we found jim morrisson's blue bus finally

Glenn Power

Can be researched with vin#-ask GPD.

Paula L Gilman

WOW, - a blast from the past~!! I also rode the school bus when Iona drove and as you say - King was there to help us. I remember my mother taking my photo the first day of school and the bus is in the background. Loved them both.

Susan Curtis

Is this across from the geodesic dome at corner of Sawtooth and Rogers road?

Anne Harris Onion

yes!

Susan Curtis

when we moved into the Dome in 74/75 (?) that field had been burned. Shortly after the bus appeared. It was right out in the open for many years.

Anne Harris Onion

of course that makes sense with how fast woods grow!

Christine Torrey

Maybe the bus driver is still waiting for the kids to settle down before she continues driving. Our bus driver used to do that by our house to get them to sit in their seats! 😊

Nancy Normand

Ask the balldwins

Nancy Normand

If on Sawtooth, ask the Mallorys, the geodestic was. One of the three brothers

Israel Willard

When King and Iona retired from driving king made a tractor out of the bus and used it for hauling apples and blueberrys I know this because I worked for him and loaded and unloaded the tractor.

Israel Willard

The body was put there buy King.

Dian W. Stacey

Good memories of Iona And King in my Childhood! ❤️❤️❤️

Israel Willard

The house across from the dump were then lived was at the end of sawtooth were they lived during mud season and parked the bus there when they retired they sold the farm and move the camp too were it is now.

Lee Ferrante

My cousin and i went to see the bus today. Really cool! But was wondering where the road led to? Is it for hiking or is it private property?



Kimberley Boutsianis

Turns into trail 19, and the wonderful Betty Smithers town forest. Goes right behind my house eventually ❤️❤️❤️