



## Walter Clayton "Clay" Stevens III

February 15, 1961 - April 3, 2021

Walter Clayton "Clay" Stevens III

Standish- Walter Clayton Stevens III, 60, of Standish passed away peacefully on April 3, 2021 at Northern Light's Mercy Hospital hospice's Tyler Suite, surrounded by his loving family after a short but courageous 5-month battle with kidney cancer.

Clay was born on February 15, 1961 in Portland, the son of the late Walter Clayton Stevens II and Judith West.

Clay graduated from Gorham High School in 1979. Shortly after in 1984 he met his loving wife, Robin Hartford. When Clay first met Robin at an Olympia Sports tent sale, the first thing he noticed about her was her smile. He was there to buy a softball glove (which he still owns today) and wouldn't leave until she agreed to go on a date with him. After his first conversation with Robin, Clay turned and told his friend "Joe, I love her...I am going to marry her." They married in 1985. She was his rock. There was never a time that they weren't together, spending every moment they could in each other's company. Together they were the picture of true love.

He was a dedicated man to everything he did, including his career. He spent the last 34 years working as a CNC machinist at Limerick Machine where coworkers became family. There were very few days Clay missed work until his diagnosis and he was thankful for his work family and the support he received from Limerick Machine.

Clay was a loving family man who spent every minute he could surrounded by family and friends. Recently a friend said "He loved your mom and loved you kids more than life itself." He enjoyed being outdoors, spending many days in Jackman at camp, out on Sebago Lake on his pontoon boat, or relaxing by his camper in various campgrounds throughout Maine. He loved hunting and fishing trips up north and tropical vacations down south. You could find him anywhere from running rabbits with his beagles at the Beagle Club in Buxton, riding his snowmobile all over the state, or camped out at the racetrack watching NASCAR or local races. He was a committed member of the Standish Sno Seekers, spending many hours grooming and cleaning up trails. Clay loved his toys, including his Harley that he took on many rides in the summer. He was also the 'Clark Griswold' of Standish, known for his Christmas light display each year and his love and generosity during the Christmas season.

Clay was predeceased by his father, Walter Clayton Stevens II.

He is survived by his loving wife of 35 years, Robin Stevens of Standish; his three children, Kalie Stevens of Standish, Erika Skiff and her husband Elias of Gray, and Lance Stevens of Standish; his mother, Judie Stevens and her partner Garfield Toothaker of Gorham; his sisters, Terri Darling and her husband Marty of Gorham, Sharen Deering and her husband Terry of Gorham, and Karen Gaudette and her husband Rob of Gorham; his brother, Glen Stevens and his partner Stacey of Gorham; grandson, Henry Skiff; and many nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, and cousins. He was also very much looking forward to the arrival of his second grandchild in August 2021.

Visiting hours celebrating Clay's life will be held on Friday, April 9 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Windham Chapel of Dolby, Blais, and Segee, 434 River Rd, Windham. A private service will occur on Saturday for family only. A burial will follow the service at West Gorham Cemetery in which all are welcome. State mask mandates are required for attendees.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Standish Sno Seekers or New England Cancer Specialists.

To view the live stream of Clay's service beginning at 11am on Saturday via Zoom, Please click here: <https://zoom.us/j/93317867836>

# Events

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**APR** **Visitation** 04:00PM - 07:00PM

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Dolby, Blais & Segee - Windham Chapel  
434 River Road, Windham, ME, US, 04062

**APR** **Burial** 12:30PM

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West Gorham Cemetery  
Rte. 112, Gorham, ME, US

# Comments

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“ Robin,

I am very sorry for your loss.

Dixie Townsend

**Dixie Townsend** - April 14, 2021 at 11:17 AM

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“ I think Clay's greatest treasure was his family and love for his wife Robin and his children.

My father Uncle Don would take us to visit our cousins in Maine every few years growing up. It was always so much fun. Having family is a precious gift not everyone gets to experience. I am thankful for my family and all my relatives. Love Cousin Mark Stevens

**Mark Stevens** - April 10, 2021 at 11:52 AM

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“ To finish my thought....I recall many thanksgivings where Uncle Walt and the boys (Clay and Glenn) along with Uncle Don would come to Palermo for the annual thanksgiving deer hunt. Later the rest of the family would arrive for a very festive time. Clay, in particular, loved to deer hunt and never let the buck fever that overcame him from time to time to deter from his total love and enjoyment of the time afield deer hunting.

I miss those days I wish we could have stayed in contact but it just seems there is never enough time. I know he will be with his father and others now and I draw comfort from that thought.

**WILLIAM W BUTLER** - April 10, 2021 at 07:43 AM

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“ I recall the many thanksgivings when clay, his dad, and Glen



**Linda J. Butler** - April 10, 2021 at 07:31 AM

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“ WILLIAM W BUTLER lit a candle in memory of Walter Clayton "Clay" Stevens III



**WILLIAM W BUTLER** - April 10, 2021 at 07:27 AM

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“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Walter Clayton "Clay" Stevens III.



April 09, 2021 at 04:31 PM

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“ The Butler Family lit a candle in memory of Walter Clayton "Clay" Stevens III



The Butler Family - April 09, 2021 at 04:20 PM

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“ The Willis Family lit a candle in memory of Walter Clayton "Clay" Stevens III



The Willis Family - April 08, 2021 at 10:39 PM

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“ Robin, we are so sorry to hear of Clays passing. We have many fond memories of your visits when we were camping at the races in Loudon, and seeing you at Cupsuptic and Cathedral Pines. Our thoughts are with you and your family.  
Mitch & Shelley Cyr

Shelley Cyr - April 07, 2021 at 09:01 AM

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“ Robin, I remember how you used to describe times spent with your husband and family. The vacations in Rangely sounded like so much fun. It was clear to see how much love you two had for each other, and it was heart warming. I can only begin to imagine the huge loss this is for you. My deepest sympathy for you and the kids.  
Greg Poulos

Greg Poulos - April 07, 2021 at 07:58 AM

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“ Ivan & Cherie Trembly lit a candle in memory of Walter Clayton "Clay" Stevens III



Ivan & Cherie Trembly - April 06, 2021 at 08:05 PM

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“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Walter Clayton "Clay" Stevens III.



April 06, 2021 at 07:27 PM

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“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Walter Clayton "Clay" Stevens III.



April 06, 2021 at 07:18 PM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Walter Clayton "Clay" Stevens III.



April 06, 2021 at 05:43 PM



“ I was so sorry to hear about Clay’s passing. We went to High School together and he always had a big smile on his face! He was a really nice guy. My deepest condolences go out to his family,

**Linda Libby** - April 06, 2021 at 04:32 PM

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“ So sorry to hear of Clays passing. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family aqt this time my God bless them.  
I went to school with Clay at Gorham High we had some fun times hanging out and trying to stay out of trouble, he was all ways smiling. I will all ways remember him.

Julie (Broadhurst) & Malcolm Graves



**Julie Graves** - April 06, 2021 at 04:23 PM

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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Walter Clayton "Clay" Stevens III.



April 06, 2021 at 04:21 PM

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“ Deepest sympathy to Robin and the Stevens’ family

**Inger Cyr** - April 06, 2021 at 03:41 PM