



Obituary of Robert P. Weaver

TOPSHAM – Robert Paul Weaver, Jr., 86, of Topsham, passed away peacefully on Thursday, February 2, 2023, at the Maine Veteran’s Home in Augusta after a year long battle with lymphoma. Bob was born on April 14th, 1936, in York, Maine, the son of Robert Paul Weaver, Sr. and Claire (Adams) Weaver. He grew up in Kittery, and it was there that he learned that he loved spending his time in and around the salt water. His love of our state’s natural beauty would play a huge role in his life. Upon graduating from Traip Academy in 1954, Bob joined the Navy, serving on board the **USS Boston CAG-1**, our country’s first guided missile Cruiser. It was while he was stationed in Virginia that Bob met the love of his life, Ursula Davis. They were married in Washington, D.C. in 1958, and soon settled there to start their family. After several years of living in D.C. and Maryland area, Bob missed the beauty and slower pace of his native state, and moved the family to South Gardiner. Over the years they would move several times, enjoying the neighbors they met along the way in Jefferson, Westport Island, and most recently, Topsham. Bob spent over 30 years working for the U.S. postal service, first in Maryland, then Augusta, Maine. His natural curiosity for others made him many friends along his route and among his colleagues. His first question to anyone he met over the years was “Where did you grow up?” That curiosity would spark many friendships over the years, especially his close friends Bob and Carolyn Reynolds, and his fishing buddy, Bing Jordan. Bob loved the outdoors, and was a skilled fisherman, eagerly planning his trips with Bing to the far reaches of the state, looking for elusive trout and salmon in remote ponds and lakes. He always had his trusty Maine Gazeteer handy, plotting his next adventure. Many road trips were taken all over the state and beyond, first with his young family, then with Ursula in retirement. He also loved camping in Baxter and hiking whenever he could. Bob also loved gardening and had both bountiful vegetable gardens and ornamental gardens over the years. He was known to share the bounty of his gardens with his neighbors, friends and family. Another passion was following high school and college sports, especially football and basketball. He enjoyed watching his children and grandchildren’s games, and could be found traveling the state on weekends during football season, catching as many games as he could, often with his friend, Bing. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Ursula, and son Timothy. He is survived by his daughter, Kathryn Gay and husband Ron of Gardiner, son Matthew “Jed” and wife Sarah, of Nobleboro; grandchildren Christopher Gay and wife Laura of Windsor, Robert Gay and fiancée Ashley of Gardiner, and Jennifer Carver and husband Weston of West Gardiner, along with Gwendolyn and Brady Weaver of Nobleboro, as well as four great grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister Susan Tennant and husband Jay and family of Kittery, many cousins in the Kittery /York area, God son George Davis and family of Maryland, and Ursula’s cousin Linda Marcin and husband Steve of Pennsylvania. His family would like to thank his wonderful Topsham neighbors, especially Gordon for their visits and help over the past few years, as well as his medical team at MMPMH Cancer Care, and the wonderful staff of the Maine Veteran’s Home Alpha unit and Beacon Hospice.