

## Hobbs Funeral Home - South Portland

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### Ross J. Osborne

( December 16, 1946 - June 26, 2019 )

#### **Ross J Osborne**

SCARBOROUGH – Ross J. Osborne, 72, died June 26, 2019, at the Maine Veterans' Home, surrounded by family. He was born Dec. 16, 1946, in Millinocket, the oldest son of Kenneth W. and Theresa I. (Michaud) Osborne.



Ross was a graduate of Schenck High School, Class of 1965 where he was active in Scouts, ran cross country, worked at his father's "Ken's Esso" service station, and at Great Northern Paper. His post HS education included an associates degree from NMVTI class of 1967 and classes at Westbrook College. After school, he served in the Army attending basic training in Fort Bragg. He fought with valor in Vietnam as a Sgt. of the 4<sup>th</sup> Infantry, 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Air Recon where he received the Bronze Star with Valor and the Purple Heart for injuries sustained.

On December 6, 1969, he married Linda L. Doyle of North Yarmouth, ME. And together they shared almost 50 years of marriage.

After leaving the Army, Ross took his new wife to Connecticut where he worked for Pratt and Whitney. Soon after, he moved back to Maine to raise his young family. He drove for Pepsi and then worked for Portsmouth Naval Shipyard for 30 years repairing submarines as a Shipfitter.

Ross also volunteered as a firefighter throughout his life including 12 years at Engine 7 in Scarborough.

Ross was known as an avid outdoorsman, fisherman, and loved sailing in Casco Bay, he was a member of CYC for many years. He loved baseball, the Red Sox, and his family. He was the strongest man we know and was a hero to many. He set the example for many of us on the right way to lead our lives and left us too soon.

In addition to his wife Linda, Ross is survived by 2 children, Ross Osborne and wife, Mary, of St. Clair, MI, Stacey Cox and husband, Kevin, of Gorham, ME; five grandchildren, Brandon, Andrew, Madelyn, Ryanne, and Alyvia; three brothers, Thomas Osborne and wife, Karlene, Kenneth Osborne II and wife, Sally, and Patrick Osborne; five sisters, Elizabeth Larlick and husband, Edward, Susan Sickler, Nancy McCoy, Sandy Deschaine and husband, Ervin, and Margaret Popp and husband, Mike; five brothers-in-law, Ronald Chasse, Bruce Doyle and wife Laura, Donald Doyle and wife Shelley, Arthur Doyle, and William Doyle and wife Kerri; three sisters-in-law, Elizabeth Sommer, Susan Doyle, and

Lynn Doyle; many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by two sisters, Beverly Osborne and Dorothy Chasse.

Friends are invited to visit with the family 3-7 p.m. Friday, 5 July at the Scarborough location of Hobbs Funeral Home, 671 US-1, Scarborough. A service will be celebrated 10 a.m. Saturday, July 6, at St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Church, 150 Black Point Rd. Scarborough (<https://www.cluster22.org/st-maximilian-kolbe>).

Gifts in memory of Ross may be sent to the Maine Veterans' Home (<https://mainevets.org/locations/scarborough/>) or the National Ataxia Foundation (<https://ataxia.org/>).