



## Leo R. Caron

July 23, 1929 - June 23, 2009

LEWISTON - Leo R. Caron, 79, our beloved husband, daddy, grandfather, great grandfather, and brother, passed away peacefully, Tuesday, June 23rd at home with his family by his side after a long illness. He was born in Lewiston, July 23, 1929, the son of Joseph and Valeda (Levasseur) Caron. He married the former, Barbara Pinette, July 28, 1956. Together they built a beautiful life together and resided in a big beautiful farmhouse that Leo restored on his own. He had four children of whom he was very proud, and in return his children adored him more than anything. Leo taught his family by example to love and respect one another. He also was a very proud and strong man who worked hard all his life to provide for his family working in construction, building homes and remodeling them. He was a self made general contractor who's love for working with wood made him an exquisite wood craftsman. Dad was always there for us no matter what the problem was, and in a heartbeat drop what he was doing when it came to his family in need. Not a day went by when we didn't visit him or call him to say, "I love you, Daddy." Leo would always say, "I love you too, be careful driving." Leo was a member of Calvary United Methodist Church of Lewiston, the Masonic Lodge of Auburn; the Kora Temple where he sang as a member of the Kora Chanters. He also participated with Community Little Theater, and was a member of the Pine Tree Gypsy RV Club. Survivors include his wife of 52 years, Barbara; his four children, Lisa Delorme and companion, Don Hersom; Heidi-Sue Stuart and companion, John Letourneau; Bonnie-Jo and her husband, Terry; Scott Caron and fiancée, Wendy Mason; his grandchildren, Melissa, Sarah, Corey, Meghan, Beth, Adam, Jordan, Austin, Jeff, and Brianna. great grandchildren, Lacie, Evan, and Eva. Also surviving are two brothers, Richard and Robert Caron, and a sister, Dorothy Dewitt. Besides his parents he was predeceased by two sisters, three brothers, a son in law, Conrad Delorme, and a granddaughter, Hannah Brooke Stuart. CARON died in Lewiston, June 23, 2009, Mr. Leo R. Caron age 79 years a resident of Lewiston. Memorial services honoring Leo's life will be held SATURDAY 10:00AM at Calvary United Methodist Church with Reverend Casey Collins officiating. Graveside committal prayers to follow with military honors at Gracelawn Memorial Park, Auburn. Memorial donations in Leo's memory may be made to either Calvary United Methodist Church 59 Sabattus St., Lewiston, ME 04240 or Androscoggin Home Care and Hospice 15 Strawberry Ave.,

Lewiston, ME 04240. Online condolences and sharing of memories may be expressed at [www.lynchbrothers.com](http://www.lynchbrothers.com) Family and friends are invited to visit Friday 2-4 and 7-9PM at the DILLINGHAM & SON MEMORIAL CHAPEL 62 Spring St., Auburn, 784-6449

# Tribute Wall

TM

“ Having you in my life has meant more than you may ever know. I will cherish those days spent at your house. The sleepovers with Lisa and the zany things we did, listening to Heidi sing Cher songs, watching Scotty do the "guy" stuff with you, seeing Bonnie's never-ending smile, and admiring Aunt Barbara's energy (she's still a pistol and I love that about her!). I remember the peanut butter and bananas on toast, the broken windows from the golf course, the snowmobile rides, the laughter, the love, the music and so much more. Whenever I hear a Neil Diamond song, I think of you because YOU were my Neil Diamond! Thanks for the memories and say hello to my loving parents when you see them in heaven. P.S. You always reminded me of my father and always will. For that, I am especially grateful. Love, Terri

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**Terri McNamara** - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

WM

“ Leo, To know you was to love you and to be apart of your family and sharing these last few years with you has been an honor. You opened your heart to us and made an everlasting impact on our lives. We love you and will miss you deeply. Sing loud for us all to hear. Until we meet again.

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**Wendy Mason** - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

LD

“ Thank you for being my dad. I had the pleasure of being chosen as your daughter, after being adopt4ed at 5 days old. How lucky and blessed I have been. I'll always remember how you just had to go to Texas with me. You just couldn't bear the thought of me going alone. That was very specail--our time together. I will miss you greatly dad, but will always have you in my heart.

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**Lisa Delorme** - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

SC

“ me again dad, just got back from visiting mom, the house was so lonely without you, its just not the same and never will be, even when i couldnt get you to talk, you always gave off a sound i could always hear.I MISS YOU MY DAD, i miss you so much.keep in touch and let me know now and again that your with me, i need that.LOVE YOU DAD, XO. (WHATCHUMACALLIT)

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**scott j caron** - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

DP

“ My brother in law Leo was one of the funniest men I ever knew...there was never a time when Leo was short on "jokes". My late husband, Rick adored him, and enjoyed every minute they got to visit....Living so far away that wasn't often but whenever we were all got together it was great.Leo was a great brother in law...I love him and will miss him. My love to his darling wife (my precious sister) and his 4 great kids.Diane

Diane Prock - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

PD

“ Dear Lord:May Leo rest in peace and eternal light forever shine upon him.Amen

Pa tricia & Andrew D'Eramo - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

SS

“ My memories of my Uncle are mostly from when I was very young. I remember summer visits to Maine and when it was Auntie Barbara's turn to have a day with the family from Oklahoma, she was always scurring around. No matter the stress of setting her table just right or getting her food arranged on the bar to her liking, my Uncle seemed to be her "peace" and always had the same answer for her no matter what needed resolving..."yes dear." I often wonder what it would be like to have someone "until death do us part". Thank you Uncle Leo for being with my Auntie Barbara and my four cousins from beginning to end. I love you, Sha-Sha

Sha-Sha Stephens - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

BC

“ Leo is with the lord but his voice will always be with me. He sang at my wedding and it brought tears to my eyes. I will remember that always. The generosity of Barbie & Leo will never be forgotten. They took care of my daughter Wendy for 1 week when she was 5 days old. My other children had chicken pox and I could not bring Wendy home at that time.You will always have a special place in my heart. Rest in peace.Love Bren

Brenda Cloutier - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

JG

“ When Henri and I first joined the Pine Tree Gypsies Club, Leo and Barbra were the first ones in the club to welcome us in, and made us feel right at home. I remember sitting around the campfire and laughing till our bellies hurt because Leo was telling jokes one right after another. Barbra I know you are going to miss Leo and when you do just close your eyes and picture Jesus with his arms wide open and saying to Leo "Welcome Home my SON" I know Leo is now in Heaven with all the other Gypsies members and I'm sure he has them all laughing once again. LOVE YOU, JACKIE GIROUARD

Jackie Girouard - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

SL

“ When someone you love becomes a memory, the memory becomes a treasure Leo was a true treasure, dear sweet funny man I have shared many laughs with him and he will be dearly missed But always in our hearts Hold tight to your memories for comfort Peace, prayers and blessings to you sister Dear Barbie, Lisa, Heidi, Bonnie & Scott and all his family

Susan Leeman - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

SC

“ you left me today dad, but i will be with you always, i love you so very much, and miss you even more. you are on my mind every second of every day.

scott j caron - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

VD

“ I am very sorry for your loss. My deceased husband Jim (Dorothy's son) was very fond of Uncle Leo and spoke of him often. You all are in my thoughts and prayers. With deepest sympathy, Vickie DeWitt

Victoria DeWitt - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

JM

“ Grandpa, These past few years have been amazing, seeing you every time I was there put a smile on my face, talking to you when you were awake made me feel loved, or even watching you sleep made my heart warm and race because you were so welcoming. I will miss you greatly, and I want you to know that the love I have for you is very, very special.

Jordan Mason - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

JG

“ Heide Jim and I were in Shaw's yesterday and we talked to Anne Marie, I was asking her about you and your Dad and she told us your Dad had passed. We are so sorry. You dedicated your life to helping him as you do to helping all those in need. We are very lucky to know you. Please send our deepest sympathy to your Mom and the rest of your family. Jim & Joan Customers from Shaw's

Jim & Joan Greece - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

BP

“ My thoughts about Leo. Leo and I go back a long ways. Over 50 years to be exact. I believe that Leo's life, his style, his talents, and they were many, his character, his demeanor, and everything about him, could be said with a few well chosen words. I believe that Leo Caron, my brother-in-law, was the Biggest Little man I ever knew. Amen

Bruce Pinette - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

JG

“ BARBARA AND FAMILY....I AM SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT LEO.....HE WAS A WONDERFUL MAN....I ALWAYS TOLD HIM I ADORED HIS WHITE CURLS. I KNOW HE WAS A WONDERFUL HUSBAND AND FANTASTIC FATHER.....HIS MEMORIES WILL ALWAYS BE IN YOUR HEART.....MY THOUGHTS ARE WITH YOU DURING THIS DIFFICULT TIME.....LOVE TO ALL OF YOU...JANIE GRANDBOIS (CVS)

JANIE GRANDBOIS - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

JL

“ I was very sad to hear about Uncle Leo's passing. He was a truly special man. I have fond memories of my brother and I going to visit Auntie Barbara and Uncle Leo, he was always cracking us up with his jokes and making us feel really welcome. I know that my Aunt Barbara was his angel, and no one could ease his passing with more grace and grit than she did. There is a hole now, an empty space, where this earth shined from Uncle Leo's light, but a new light has emerged, in our heavens and in our hearts. He will always be with us. I toast to your memory tonight Uncle Leo.

Joshua Leeman - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

WS

“ My heart goes out to you, Barbara and children. I remember Leo being there for you and your children years ago when our children were young. And then later in years, you and the children were there for him. That just shows me "what goes around, comes around".. You are in my prayers and remember, time does help heal.

Wanda Smith - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

SC

“ Hi Grandpa, I love you and will miss you so very much. It was wonderful to have such a wonderful grandpa like you. Lacie loves you very much! She was lucky to have a great grandpa like you. LOVE YOU!

Sarah Caron - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

LD

“ My prayers go out to you Aunt Barbara and your family. I only remember meeting Uncle Leo a couple times, but I know he was a sweet man, and will be deeply missed. Stay Strong and surround yourselves w the ones you love.

Leah DeWitt - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

SC

“ Aunt Barbara, Lisa, Heidi, Bonnie-Jo and Scott - my deepest sympathy. I too will always have fond memories of our days at "uncle Leos house". I remember the shed we all use to play in. Skating on the ponds on the golf course. Hitting golf balls into the field on the side of the house. All the barbeques. I will never forget the "shadow" in the basement - every time we would come in from the gararge I would look at that door. Whenever I hear "there's a hole in the bucket" I think of Bonnie-Jo. Aunt Barbara always reminded me of Maude - very funny. I can still hear uncle Leo singing. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Love Stacey

Stacey Caron - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

IL

“ Barbara and family...my deepest sympathies on your loss of Leo. It was such a pleasure to have known you all (years ago) and you have always remained close to my heart. I know how you all loved Leo (daddy) and that you were all very close. Now you will all have everlasting precious memories of things said, done together, and he will always live in your hearts. Watch for that "specialbutterfly" that will come your way. Take care....my sympathies to Bob and his family and to Richard and his family and especially, Dot and her family. Love always, Irene

Irene C. (Belanger) Lemelin - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

KG

“ Dearest Leo, your wonderful smile and presence will be so missed by your family and friends. Your kindness sitting with my Mom, your Aunt Manny saying " we will soon be there together dear ". As a young child I so remember your wonderful voice as you sang the Lords Prayer. That has made an impact on my life and each time I say that prayer you and your voice come to mind. Now you have found your peace and comfort. Give those angels your voice and forever you are in our thoughts. Barbie and family our love to you all.Kathy,Bob and family.

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**KATHY GUAY** - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

DC

“ Dear Uncle Leo, I was very sad to hear the news about you passing from this world to the next but, I know that you have the most loving family and I know that they were always there by your side. You are a blessed man and so were we to have had you in our lives. I will keep in my heart the memories of you and your welcoming hugs whenever I saw you. May you rest in Peace. Aunt Barbara, Lisa, Bonnie-Jo, Heidi, Scott and family, I am thinking about all of you and want to express my sympathy and sadness for your loss. Uncle Leo was a very special man with undenyng qualities and talents, he will truly be missed. May you find peace and comfort in eachother. Love Diane

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**Diane (DeWitt) Carney** - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

DL

“ Barbara, I always looked forward to visiting you and Leo. Recently we had wonderful family meals(something about food and the Pinette family just go together) at your home. Although I only visited a few times, witnessing your devoted love and care for Leo was most inspiring. You're a remarkable woman and you make me proud and lucky to have you as a sister in law. I'm really not "sucking up" for a bread; I mean every word.Leo's longevity was a direct result of your love and wonderful care. I knew it, we all knew it and most importantly Barbara, Leo knew it. God bless you!

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**David Leeman** - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

TC

“ IT WAS MY HONOR TO HAVE KNOWN YOU.

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**TERRY A . CARR** - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM



MB

“ Dearest Uncle Leo, I am missing you today and am thinking of you often. I always will remember your enthusiasm in life and the energy you have in spirit. You were always a joy to talk with and I admired your will and drive to live each day with pride, power, love and honesty. May your family be comforted in knowing that you are in GOD's hands and that he and you are everywhere. Please give us all peace, strength and love for one another. You will always be in my heart! Lots of Love, Michele

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**Michele Bonenfant** - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM

DD

“ My dear brother, I remember you singing Mario Lanza - "Be my Love" in the living room when we lived on Avalon st. and the family truly enjoyed hearing your voice. I remember you being a cool dresser. I loved your white hair and wanted a clip of it. Your wife wouldn't let me! I wanted to put it in my locket. You were a great dancer, singer and a wonderful brother. I will miss you terribly, but you'll be happy with the family up in heaven. Keep on singing, dancing and loving! Love forever, Dot.

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**Dorothy Caron DeWitt** - June 23, 2009 at 04:07 PM