

## Obituary

### Wallace F. Warren

AMHERST – Wallace F. “Robin” Warren, 92, resident of Amherst, NH died on August 31, 2014 at the Elliot Hospital, Manchester, NH.

He was born in Portland, Maine on May 26, 1922, a son of Ernest L. and Alys (Fassett) Warren. He was raised and educated in Maine and earned his Bachelor of Science Degree in Agriculture from the University of Maine, Class of 1943. Following graduation, he joined the U.S. Marine Corps and served in the Pacific, including Guam and China, during World War II and was honorably discharged with the rank of First Lieutenant.

Robin's family moved from Maine to Amherst where he met and married Dorothy Going in 1947. They were married for 46 years before her death in 1993.

Robin started his working career early in life in the woods and on farms in Maine. Later he worked in management for agricultural companies and enjoyed farming at his home in Amherst much of his life.

He enjoyed hunting, canoeing, camping, sailing, golf, woodworking and gardening. From Labrador to Cape Cod Robin loved fishing with his friends where he was known to “set the bar”, which was seldom challenged.

He was very active in town affairs and served on the Amherst School Board, Conservation Commission,

Historical Society, and Ways & Means Committee.

Robin was a member of the Church of Our Saviour where he volunteered whenever called upon. Some contributions included Senior Warden, Lay Reader, Search Committee, and Finance Committee member.

In addition to his wife, he was predeceased by his brother, Sam Warren and a sister, Lucia Warren Roberts.

Family members include two sons and their families, Stephen Warren and Susan Carrier, their children, Jamin Warren and Noa Warren, and grandchildren, Ariana and Haley; Peter and Paula Warren, their children, Alena Warren and Nicholas Warren and his wife, Rhanna Cote, as well as several nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, September 6th at 12:00 noon in the Church of Our Saviour, 10 Amherst Street, Milford. A reception will be held after the service at the Amherst Country Club. In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be made to Share Outreach, Inc., 1 Columbus Avenue, Milford, NH 03055. Arrangements are in the care of Smith & Heald Funeral Home, 63 Elm Street, Milford. To share a memory or offer a condolence, please go to [www.smith-heald.com](http://www.smith-heald.com)

## People in the News

### Girl Scout Silver Award – Cassandra Jillian



Girl Scout Cassandra Jillson with Liz Schellhorn, a volunteer at David's House, standing in front of a picture of the original David's House and flags representing different states and countries where former client families live.

My name is Cassandra Jillson and I just completed my Girl Scout Silver Award. For my project I wrote, illustrated and recorded to CD four children's books, plus bought CD players. I named my project Boredom Busters because I am addressing children's need for distractions in homes and shelters, where children are stressed, worried and bored. My books will help occupy kids going through tough times, and hopefully brighten their days.

I logged more than 90 hours and spent a budget of \$139 planning the project, creating the laminated, spiral-bound books, purchasing the two CD players and delivering the project materials to two charitable organizations. My share of the

troop proceeds from the Girl Scout Council's Fall Product Sale and Annual Cookie Sale funded my project.

I presented my books-on-CD and related materials to two charitable organizations—David's House in Lebanon, NH, and Upper Valley Haven in White River Junction, VT.

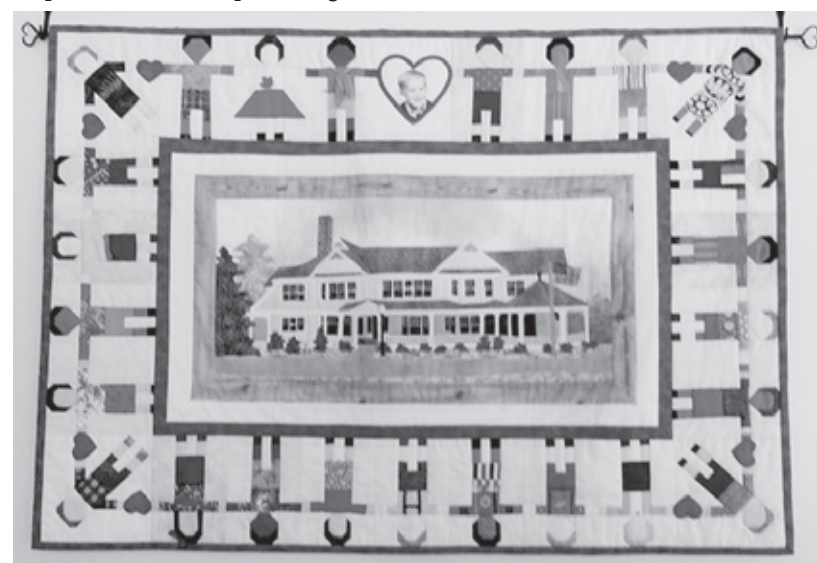
David's House is a home away from home for families with children in the hospital at CHaD. They host up to 19 families at a time and have helped more than 12,000 families since 1964. At the facility they create an illusion of normalcy by acting as a real house, letting you prepare your own food and wash your own laundry. Volunteers are there from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. to com-

fort, assist and even babysit if necessary. With the cozy family atmosphere everyone can help each other get through each other's hardships. Liz Schellhorn, a volunteer at David's House, gave me a wonderful tour of the place and lots of ideas for my Gold Award.

My other project recipient, Upper Valley Haven in White River Junction Vermont, is a shelter for hungry and homeless people. Shelter staffer Jane Wolfe kindly received and commended my project, and told me all about Upper Valley Haven's facilities and what they do to help area homeless—providing food,

shelter, clothing and programs/activities to people in need. In fiscal year 2014 (April 1, 2013 – March 31, 2014) the Haven provided shelter for 236 people, food for 10,354 people, clothing for 8,144 people, and academic support and learning opportunities for 142 adults and children.

I had a wonderful experience with my project; it is definitely something that I would do again if I had the chance. It was also a lot of fun illustrating the books, and although I had some difficulties along the way, I had a very successful project.



This is a quilt made by volunteers at David's House. The picture in the center is what David's House looks like today, and the boy in the heart is David, the five-year-old boy who suffered from Leukemia (ALL) and inspired the creation of the facility serving CHaD. David wanted to help people who lived far away from David's House have a place to stay while their child was in the hospital. He hid money around his house (in mantelpiece picture), and that cache was used as starter money to build David's House, a place for families to stay.

### Announcement

Date: September 15, 2014

Time: 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Location: Town Hall 2 Main Street  
Barbara Landry Meeting Room (2nd Floor)

### The Board of Selectmen Seek Community Input

AMHERST – The BoS has retained the services of Municipal Resources Incorporated to perform an operations review of the Fire Department and the Emergency Medical Services Department. The purpose of this review is to assess how these services are delivered to the community and to compare our method to contemporary best practices in New Hampshire, New England and around the nation. You do not need to have had firsthand experience with either Fire or EMS to participate.

This is an opportunity for you to ask questions, offer comment and suggestions or simply listen to the consultants and your fellow citizens for a couple of hours.

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### Amherst Resident Completes Semester-Long Wilderness Expedition

Lander, Wyo. — Michelle Goldsmith, 21 of Amherst recently completed a semester-long wilderness expedition traveling in Australia with the National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS).

On March 3, Goldsmith and 14 other students traveled to NOLS Australia for a multi-activity expedition during which they did not have access to modern conveniences and were challenged each day to banish their self-doubts and step outside their comfort zones. A NOLS education stresses leadership can be learned and is based on the belief that the outdoors is a challenging environment where students will learn hard skills and about themselves.

The NOLS Spring Semester in Australia was split into three sections: canoeing, backpacking and a coastal section; two to three instructors who are experts in the field accompanied students on each section.

Goldsmith and her classmates began their semester-long adventure by canoeing for 39 days in the Kimberly region of Western Australia. This mountain range is one of the most remote areas of Australia, located in the far northwest about 16 degrees south of the equator. Fifteen students and three instructors traveled in tandem canoes for 137 miles along the Drysdale River. During this section, the group traveled through a tropical savannah ecosystem with predominately hot

and humid weather.

Continuing to travel in the Kimberly region of Western Australia, Goldsmith and her classmates changed activities, moving onto the backpacking section. For 25 days, the students traversed the backcountry on foot, carrying all their belongings on their backs and moving camp each day. While backpacking, Goldsmith and her classmates hiked 117 miles through tropical savannah grasslands with pockets of tropical rainforests. Navigation was tricky due to the tall cane grass and rocky terrain.

For the final section of the semester, Goldsmith and her classmates continued backpacking on a coastal expedition. Students spent time with Bardi-Jawi people, learning

about their culture on Sunday Island, near One Arm Point. During this section, the students and their instructors traveled with three Bardi guides. These three guides shared history and culture of their people with the students through different activities. The group visited historical sites, made spears and boomerangs, fished and told stories around the campfire at night.

This expedition began with 15 students three months ago, and all students on this course graduated competent and confident leaders and outdoor travelers. They had a successful semester and join the NOLS alumni network of over 221,000 graduates.

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