

From the Monday, July 12, 2004 edition of the St. Albans (Vermont) Messenger, page 5:

GEORGIA -- Largely attended funeral services were held for Mr. Gary I. Gonyeau Saturday at 10 a.m. in Hope cemetery. Father Lawrence Ridgely, associate pastor of St. Luke's Church in Fairfax and Ascension Church in Georgia, officiated. A large guard of honor was present from the Georgia Fire Department, auxiliary members and rescue squad, St. Albans Town Fire Department and St. Albans City Fire Department. Attending were representatives of all Georgia Town offices, University of Vermont staff, students and support services, Regal Art Press, Vermont House of Representatives and many Georgia businesspersons. Bearers were his brothers-in-law Albert Kirouac Jr. and Donald Brown, a long-time friend Wally Cantell, and fellow firefighters Richard Palmer, Ric Nye and Tom Sargent. Following prayers of Committal by Father Ridgely, the Vermont Army National Guard saluted the Vietnam Veteran. The firing squad members were MSG Dick Ball, 1SG James Hemingway, SSG Raymond Wooster, SSG Carl Labor and SFC Edward Deuso. Sounding "Taps" was SSG Deril Lunna, the bugler. SFC Mark Churchill and Capt. Robert Molleur folded the American Flag from the veteran's casket and presented the flag to Gary's wife, Karen Gonyeau. The Final Alarm was sounded by Georgia Fire Department bell ringer Brian Bechard. The members of the Fire Department Color Guard were Art Carroll, Dick McGrath, Sean Senesac, Roy Graham and Elwin Sweeney. The American Flag from the Town of Georgia and the Firefighters Flag were presented to Karen by Fire Chief Stephen Bechard. Interment was under the Gonyeau family lot in Hope Cemetery. Arrangements were entrusted to the Brady & Levesque Funeral Home.

From the Friday, July 9, 2004 edition of the St. Albans (Vermont) Messenger, page 5:

GEORGIA -- Mr. Gary I. Gonyeau, age 56, died unexpectedly July 7, 2004, at work in Burlington. He was born son of the late Ivan and Leola (Nolan) Gonyeau, Aug. 11, 1947, in St. Albans. He proudly served his country in the United States Air Force in Vietnam. Gary married Karen Kirouac April 28, 1973. Gary worked as a custodian for the University of Vermont for many years. He was a member of the Georgia Fire Department, the United Paperworkers International Union, Local 345, and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Union, Local 597. Gary was an avid race fan, enjoyed ice fishing, going to garage sales and mostly spending time with his grandchildren. Besides his wife Karen, Gary is survived by his two children, Christopher Gonyeau and his wife Heather S. Gonyeau, and Heather M. Gonyeau both of Georgia; two grandchildren, Nora Elizabeth and Cael Joseph Gonyeau of Georgia; two sisters, Donna Kapitke and her husband Arthur of Westminster West, Vt., and Bonnie Thurston and her husband John of Bradford, Vt.; his mother and father-in-law, Albert and Bernice Kirouac of St. Albans; a sister-in-law, Anita Brown and her husband Donald of Plainfield, N.H.; and a brother-in-law Albert Kirouac, Jr., of Sheldon; special friends Wally Cantell and Buddy Maverick; and several nieces, nephews and cousins. He was predeceased by his parents, and a special aunt and uncle Glenna and Floyd Gonyeau. A graveside service will be held Saturday, July 10, 2004, at 10 a.m. in the Gonyeau family lot in Hope Cemetery in Georgia. There will be no public calling hours. Memorials may be made to the Georgia Fire and Rescue Association, c/o Stephen Bechard, 3082 Georgia Shore Road, St. Albans, Vt. 05478. Condolences may be added in an online condolence book established for the family by visiting the Brady & Levesque Funeral Home's web site at: www.bnlfh.com. Arrangements are entrusted to the Brady & Levesque Funeral Home.