

Elsie Ann Fontaine, 82, of Newport Center died suddenly on January 16, 2012, in Newport.

She was born on May 26, 1929, to Chester and Candis (Shannon) Bean in Brownington.

On June 17, 1968, she married Gerald Fontaine who predeceased her.

Mrs. Fontaine loved to go to the casinos, gambling, playing bingo, and going fishing. She loved to do puzzles, go to yard sales, spend time with her grandchildren, and go to family gatherings, especially during the holidays. She was a member of the Veterans Post #798 of Newport Auxiliary.

She is survived by her five children: Connie Eastman and her husband, Richard, of Newport Center, Ann McAllister and her husband, Richard, of Newport Center, Roger Sheltra and his fiancé, Nadine Thomas, of Derby, Vickie LaClair and her husband, David, of Brownington, and Mary Perrault and her fiancé, Clif Martin, of Winooski; by 18 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She is also survived by her siblings: Donald Bean of Westfield, Lloyd Bean of Arizona, and Latheria Starr of Lowell. She was predeceased by her daughter, Linda Webb, and by her sister, Elila Bean.

Funeral services were held January 21 in Newport. Spring interment will be in Newport Center Cemetery.

Should friends desire, contributions in her memory may be made to the Ron Holland MD Community Dialysis Center, North Country Hospital, 189 Prouty Drive, Newport, Vermont 05855. Online condolences may be sent to the family through the funeral home website at www.curtis-britch-converse-rushford.com.