In Memoriam: Robert Leustek (1970-2017)

August 19, 2017



Robert and Gloria Leustek

Robert Leustek, the beloved husband of Advent member Gloria Leustek, died unexpectedly this past Tuesday, August 15. Advent's congregational family is praying for God's peace to Gloria and to all touched by this loss, and we are standing ready to support Gloria in the months to come.

A farmer and beekeeper, Robert owned and operated Porcupine Acres LLC in Winchester, N.H., with Gloria – in addition to working at Wiggin Hydroseed Landscaping in Northfield, Mass., and as a fuel-delivery driver during the winter.

Robert epitomized the idea of "civic involvement."

A selectman for the town of Winchester, he was also involved in local committees ranging from Winchester's Revitalization and Economic Development board to the Winchester Pickle Festival planning group. He was instrumental in forming the Winchester Centennial Lions Club, the farmer's market, and the town's free summer concert series. As custodian of the town clock — Robert's passion — he was working to restore an important feature of Winchester's history.

As one friend of his wrote recently, Robert believed we are called to "volunteer in [our] community happily and willingly, and [to] help and love [our] fellow man."



"V is for volunteer"

In addition to his wife of almost 21 years, Robert is survived by two sisters and two brothers, as well as numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Calling hours are Sunday, August. 20, 4:00-7:00 p.m., at the Cheshire Family Funeral Chapel. A celebration of life service will be held at the chapel on Monday, August 21, at 10:00 a.m.

Donations in Robert's honor may be made to the Town of Winchester Clock Restoration Fund and mailed to 1 Richmond Road, Winchester, NH 03470.