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Francis Pease

ORFORD, NH — Francis Pease, 90, of Orford, NH, passed away at his home on

June 29, 2023. He was born in Plymouth NH on January 3rd,1933, to Glenn and Theda Pease of East Orford, NH, and grew up on the family dairy farm.

Francis served 20 years in the United States Air Force as a

B52 mechanic and supervisor. He met his wife Evelyn while stationed in Fort Worth, Texas. They adopted their only child, Irene, when Francis was stationed at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio. Upon retirement from the USAF Francis and his family moved back to the family farm where he worked most of his remaining years.

Francis loved country music and his favorite performer was Loretta Lynn. He loved cats and enjoyed the birds at his feeders. He liked long walks and watching NASCAR with his brother Howard. Francis was a quiet, kind and honest man. He was known as Pa to his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Francis is survived by his brother Arthur, daughter Irene and her husband Jack Wheeler,

grandchildren Jesse, Shane, Asah, Clifford and Jessica and great grandchildren, Kalob, Kam, Kaylee, Ty, Briella, and cousins nieces and nephews.

Francis was predeceased by his grandmother Mabel, Sister Irene, his parents

Glenn and Theda Pease, his wife Evelyn, and brothers Howard and Gerald.

The family wishes to extend our gratitude to all those that cared about Francis. Special thanks to the VA and to the VNH for providing loving services to enable our beloved Pa to remain at home.

Graveside services will be at the East Cemetery in East Orford, NH at 12:30 pm on August 19th followed by a gathering at the Orford Congregational Church meeting room.

Arrangements are in the care of Hale Funeral Home, 187 Upper Plain in Bradford Vt.

Those wishing to express online condolences may do so at: www.halefuneralhomes.com

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I've never found a 'regular' obit for Grampa but this and the news items will tell his story. Art Peas.

Francis Randall Pease was born on April 4, 1863, in Ellsworth, N.H., 2nd child of Samuel J. and Sara J. Randall Pease. He moved with his family to Wentworth, N.H., in the mid-1860s, living on the family farm on the Orford border. On February 5, 1887, he married Mabel C. Sherburn of East Orford. To them were born six daughters: Bertha, Della, Edna, Gladys, Vernie and Dorice and one son, Glenn. Francis worked on Bertram Pike's farm in Pike, N.H. for a year, then for his father-in-law, Luther Sherburn, for several years. In the mid-1890s, he moved to Franconia to work for his father, driving a team of horses in the woods and later hauling lumber to the railroad in North Lisbon from Franconia. In 1899, the family moved to the Sherburn farm in East Orford, caring for his father-in-law and working the farm until his death on February 5, 1925.

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- •Francis Pease is very low. He had a shock last Saturday morning. He went to the barn about his usual duties and while there was stricken with a shock paralyzing his left side, so he was unable to get up and go to the house. A neighbor came and helped get him in. Medical aid does not seem to help him as his many friends wish it might. He was conscious but unable to get up. 2\13\25 East Orford Bradford, Vt., *United Opinion*
- •The news of the death of Mr. Francis Pease was received with sadness by a large circle of friends Thursday morning. The funeral was held at his home at East Orford on Saturday. Mr. Ledeau of Wentworth was pastor and Mr. Nickolf of Plymouth the undertaker. The bearers were four of his brothers, Edwin, Lorenzo, Horace and Charlie Pease. Burial was in the East Cemetery in the family lot. Besides his wife he leaves six daughters, one son, six brothers and two sisters besides a large circle of friends to mourn his loss. Mr. Pease was a quiet, good neighbor, always had a smile and good word for everyone, a respected citizen who will be greatly missed by all. They have the sympathy of all in their bereavement.
- •Mrs. Julia Nutting of Plymouth was in town to attend the funeral of Francis Pease. [She was he widow of Francis' uncle Chase Pease.]