**Homeless Memorial Day Names**

**2016**

**Dan Belcher** from Keene, passed away of a heart attack. He was a veteran of the Marine Corps. Dan earned an Expert Badge in marksmanship and became a small arms instructor. He loved writing and playing guitar and singing his creations. An advocate for people in need, he was pursuing a career in the care taker field. He had a strong sense of right and wrong and had made it his path in life to assist those in need.

**Deanna C.**

**Deb C.**

**Kelly C.**

**Steve Cherup**, died of injuries sustained when he was beaten. He was 50 years old and had grown up in Pittsburgh, PA. He later moved to NH where he volunteered and sang in a local church choir. Steve’s sister Kristin told Patch that her brother led "a difficult life, at times struggling with mental illness and addiction" but that he had turned things around. "He was well liked in the community and...will be missed greatly. Some of my family members remember how he could make you laugh so easily. He will be missed but is at peace now," she wrote. "I am not sure what happened recently that led him to this fate. But I hope if you include this about him, readers will see he wasn't just a homeless person causing trouble. He was deeply religious and cared for people when he was well."

**Josh Colbath** of Farmington, NH, passed away suddenly in March at the age of 35. He was taken from his family far too soon. Joshua will be greatly missed for his warm personality and outgoing sense of humor. He enjoyed spending time with his two children whom he loved dearly, camping, riding fourwheelers, snowmobiling, and watching football.

**Robert William Cook**, born May 4, 1969, died of an apparent suicide on November 23, 2016. He spent time in homeless encampments across the U.S. For the last several months a person who befriended him also gave him work and had been paying for a room at a motel in the Upper Valley for him to stay.

**Alan Cornish** was 61 years old. He passed away in late October. Unfortunately, no one has been able to track down any family to claim his remains. He said he was a military vet so caseworkers are trying to figure out how to release his remains to the veteran’s cemetery in Boscawen, NH for a proper burial.

**Anthony D.**, age 49, died of an overdose. His family is in Merrimack, NH. There were many people at his funeral; he was loved by many.
Joshua Damsell passed away unexpectedly on June 4 at the age of 37. He was born in the town of Exeter, NH. Josh will be remembered as a generous, polite hard worker with a kind soul. Josh was a very dear person who will be deeply missed.

Elliot Defoe

Richard F.

Gerry G.

Jeremy Gendron died of an overdose.

David Gile died of a heart attack at Concord Hospital.

David Gross from Dover, died in October at the age of 45.

Aaron C. Heywood of Dover died in September after a sudden period of failing health. He was 30 years old. He was born in Peterborough but moved to the Dover area while in elementary school and was a resident there since. He worked in the kitchen for various seacoast restaurants as well as for his dad’s construction firm. He enjoyed fishing and being on the water, as well as playing baseball and football.

Dale Hodgkins, Jr. from Rochester, NH, died in April. He was 22 years old.

Geoffrey J.

Steve Jacques had lived in the Carey House but later moved into housing.

Karen Kekoa

James Kikta died on September 15 at the age of 57. He was born in Pittsburgh, PA the son of Esther L. (Nelson) Kikta of Bridgeville, PA and the late Edward Kikta. He worked as a machinist and had lived in the Seacoast area since 1978.

Brenda L.

Gary L.

Linda L.

Tammy L. was a great friend to many women in the building and had so much love for her son and her pet cat.

Daniel Lacabonara had lived at the Carey House but later moved into housing.
Paul Laramee had been look for an apartment when he passed away. He kept saying “if I stay out, I won’t last.” He died of an overdose.

Maura Laughlin was a young mother whose son was her entire world.

Jocelyn M. She was a young mother.

Michael M.

Patricia M.

Alanna Marrotte - Alanna was a good person, her loved ones say. She was smart, a whiz with computers. She played guitar and was never as happy as when she was singing, except, perhaps, when she was with the nieces and nephew she loved like her own. She was tender hearted, generous and a helper, her family and friends attest. She was deeply depressed, at times suicidal. She didn’t like herself. She was homeless off and on, and people took advantage of her good nature. And, she was a heroin addict. Alanna died at age 24 from a heroin overdose on April 23, 2016. In the days following Alanna’s death, not only did her birth family mourn her, her homeless family did too.

Ken Manning was a Vietnam Veteran.

Storm N.

Jorge O.

Christine P. from Manchester, died of an overdose at age 40. She was a mother of 3.

Gene Parker was born on January 24, 1956 and passed away on Sunday, January 31, 2016 after being hit by a car while attempting to navigate snowy roads and sidewalks in his wheelchair. Gene was a resident of Concord at the time of his passing. His family members include a daughter, a sister and two brothers.

Jeff Pendleton, died of an overdose at the age of 26, at Valley Street jail. He had won lawsuit on panhandling in Nashua.

Lisa R.

Frederick H. Schofield died at the Lakes Region General Hospital on November 30 at 74 years old. He attended Laconia High School and was the operator and owner of S&S Construction for many years in Laconia. He was an avid camper and loved to fish the wilds of the Baker and Pemigewasset rivers. Wonderful is one of the many terms to describe him as a son, brother, husband, father, uncle and friend. Laughter was what he brought with a practical joke or two to all who knew him. He was loved and will be greatly missed.
Ciro Scognamiglio. He was 61 years old. A homeless outreach worker met Ciro sleeping under the Rt. 393 overpass near the Friendly Kitchen in Concord in August 2015. He had been homeless since his release from a year of incarceration. He had spent some time at Bridge House and then stayed with a woman that he had met for about a week before she threw him and his Jack Russell Terrier out. He served in the Air Force in the early ’70’s and had an honorable discharge. He had type 1 diabetes for 34 years and had diabetic foot ulcers and End Stage Renal Disease. The outreach worker got him to accept help from the VA and got him into housing in the Spring of this year (2016).

Denis Thorsel Carpenter

John Watkins was in his 20s. He died on the rail trail.

Justin Zsisgray died on October 12 at the age of 30. He had been homeless in the Seacoast area for a while. He eventually went to Florida to be closer to some family and passed away while he was there.