

Big Moose Community Chapel
2023 Memorial Service
Sunday, August 13, 2023

July 12, 2022

Helen Schultz

Helen was a lifelong member of the Walworth United Methodist Church where she enjoyed playing the organ and directing the choir for many years. She also gave the gift of music to many students with her piano lessons. Helen was very welcoming and caring, and made the best molasses cookies EVER!

September 12, 2022

Ronald J. Williams Sr.

Ron was born in Winchester, CT and as a young man served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He and Pat were married in 1956 and settled in Westmoreland, NY. In 1982, he became the caretaker of the Delia property on Big Moose Lake where he served for over 40 years.

November 21, 2022

Charles A. Mahaffy

Charlie grew up in Boonville and was an active member of the community. He served in the U.S. Army and was decorated with numerous medals and honors. An active member of the First Presbyterian Church of Booneville, he became a lay speaker at many other churches including summer services here at the Big Moose Chapel.

November 27, 2022

Mary Alden Covey Williams

Mary Alden was born in Big Moose, the daughter of Earl Covey, noted woodsman and builder of the Chapel, and Francis Alden Covey, a descendent of John Alden. She was enormously proud of her roots and friendships from the Adirondacks. In 1972 she received a Masters of Library Science degree and worked in school, business, and municipal libraries thereafter. Mary Alden loved animals and nature and spent the last 30 years of her life living with her husband at Mirror Lake in New Hampshire.

January 30, 2023

Lawrence Castle "Skip" Moss

Skip's family had a camp on Big Moose Lake (now the Grauert's Camp Hamburg). He spent summers there as a youngster through his college days. Later, he and his parents stayed at the Higby Club and when he had a young family of his own they stayed at Covewood. Twelve years ago, he and Joy were married in the Big Moose Community Chapel and the Chapel quickly became part of their life.

June 25, 2023

Ida May Winter

Ida was born in Big Moose in 1925. She was fiercely proud of her Big Moose heritage and remained here until her ninetieth year. Ida is the little girl in the 1929 video on the Chapel website. As she worshiped at the Chapel from it's very beginning. Ida was a faithful and dedicated member of the Chapel who served in many ways, including serving as president of the Board of Trustees and serving as Worship Chairman for most of her adult life.

June 28, 2023

Alexander Richard Simpson

Alex and his wife Mary Ann built their camp in East Bay on Big Moose Lake in 1970. Alex served the Big Moose Property Owners Association as a Water Quality tester for many years, was an avid tennis player at the Higby Club and a devoted early member of the Big Moose Canoe Crew. Alex's family, including 3 children, 7 grandchildren, and 5 great-grandchildren, still enjoy summers in Big Moose.