


CHARLES 'CHUCK' DRAPER  
ANCHORAGE, Ala. - Charles  
"Chuck" Draper, 62, died May  
12, 2008, at  
 home, with his  
loving family by  
his side, after a brief, but  
courageous battle with cancer.  
Chuck was born May 26, 1945,  
in Attleboro, Mass.

He graduated from Calais  
Memorial High School, Calais,  
in 1963. He joined the U.S.  
Army 1st Cavalry Division and  
completed engineering school,  
where he learned to be a crane  
operator. He served in Korea  
on the river border between  
North and South Korea main-  
taining a pontoon bridge,  
which the North Koreans at-  
tempted to blow up regularly.  
When he was discharged, he  
went to work as a crane opera-  
tor for HB Fleming, Portland.  
He also worked for Taillon  
Crane, Berlin, N.H., before  
moving to Alaska in 1996. For  
the last 12 years, he worked  
for Alaska Crane Inc., owned  
by Jim St. George. Chuck's  
dedication and generosity to  
family, friends and the com-  
munity were unsurpassed. His  
hard work and devotion were  
an example to all who knew  
him. His character and honesty  
were beyond reproach.

He is survived by his part-  
ner of 35 years, Coleen Currier  
of Anchorage, Ala.; his son and  
daughter-in-law, Jeffery and  
Debbie Draper of San Antonio;  
stepdaughters and sons-in-law,  
Paula and Dana Hinkley of  
Berlin, N.H., Gayle and Dennis  
Theberge of Milan, N.H., Terrie  
and Scott Gagne of Anchorage,  
Ala., Jennifer and Shawn Sul-  
livan of Berlin, N.H., and Eliza-  
beth Cloutier of Berlin, N.H.;  
sisters and brothers-in-law,  
Cindy and Al Sarjeant of Ban-  
gor, Carol and Peter Rosen-  
berg of Brewer and Hope and  
Will Richards of Winterport;  
brother and sister-in-law, Ralph  
and Barbara Draper of Notting-  
ham, N.H.; 13 grandchildren,  
one great-grandchild, many  
nieces and nephews. He was  
predeceased by his mother,  
Florence Beach Wallace of Bre-  
wer; stepfather, Donald Wall-  
ace of Brewer; and father, Os-  
car Draper of Attleboro, Mass.

A celebration of his life was  
held at one of his and Coleen's  
favorite places in Anchorage,  
Ala., Judy's Cafe, and was at-  
tended by many of his friends  
and family in Alaska. A funeral  
in Berlin, N.H., and memorial  
service in Grand Lake Stream  
will be held at a later date.