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## Howard E. Croft, ...Ayer, formerly of Littleton, Westford; 59

AYER — Howard E. Croft, 59, of Ayer and a Littleton native, died Monday, Sept. 11, at his Little Road home after a brief illness. He was the husband of Kathleen (Dubey) Croft of Ayer.

He was born in Littleton on Aug. 10, 1941, a son of Mary (Frolio) Croft of Littleton and Albert W. Croft Sr., who died in 1998. He grew up in Littleton and graduated Littleton High School in 1959. Mr. Croft was married in 1960 and made his home in Littleton, Westford and most recently Ayer.

He worked at Donelan's Supermarket for 27 years and as a construction supervisor for the past 17 years, for D.J.R. Builders, now known as Olde Canal Builders in Lowell.

Mr. Croft was a member of Demolay when he was younger and member of the Methodist Church in Westford, where he was a former treasurer and member of the board of trustees. He also coached Little League baseball for a number of years.

In addition to his wife and mother, he is survived by two sons, Timothy H. Croft of Townsend and Dale E. Croft of Ayer; two daughters, Marilee Nolan of Ayer and Debra Lecuyer of Townsend; a brother, Albert W. Croft Jr. of East Falmouth; a sister, Joan E. Fellows of Littleton; and four grandchildren.

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