

Town of  
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## **In memory of David “Rabbitt” Haskell**

This year, we dedicate the town report to the memory of David “Rabbitt” Haskell. Rabbitt’s service to the Town of Williamsburg began during his years at Williamsburg High School when he served as a volunteer fireman and on the muster team. Later, he worked for the late Harry Warner on the Highway Department, while in his teens. Rabbitt graduated in 1968 and served his country in the Marine Corp during the Vietnam War where he saw active duty. He worked closely with George Childs to plan and execute Williamsburg’s 225<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, The Fire Department’s 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the Jaws of Life fund drive in 2000 and Roger Bisbee’s retirement dinner. At the time of his death, Rabbitt was on both the Water and Sewer Commission and the Board of Selectmen where he served two terms. Among his accomplishments as Selectman, he spent countless hours with Police Chief John Cotton to insure that the town had adequate police coverage during a difficult time and helped make the Police Department transition move smoothly. During his many years as a rural mail carrier, he kept a close watch on the people he served and the town he loved, paying special attention to senior shut-ins. Rabbitt spearheaded the upgrade of the veterans’ memorial and, as a tribute to his memory, many of his loyal friends have stepped forward to help make his dream become a reality.

Winston Churchill said: “We make a life by what we give”

While Rabbitt was making his life, he enriched ours. So long Rab – we’ll miss you!