

## Rock Meadow Farm

When we added a small greenhouse to our property and decided to “sell a few plants” to offset the cost we never imagined what that first step would evolve into. Over time we had to find the best materials and methods to produce quality plants. Avoiding pesticides at all costs was a major goal, a goal we’ve adhered to the entire time. Our major focus was then, and has continued to be, open pollinated heirloom tomato plants.

With the passage of time the variety of vegetables, herbs, and flower plants we grew expanded, as did the number of plants being grown. The generous gift of another greenhouse frame used as a cold house has increased our growing space. The cold house has also helped us to some extent fend off the weather. We’ve had our successes and failures like anyone trying to do outdoor plant sales.

The loyalty of our gardening friends (we don’t think of people as “customers”) has been tremendous, with many getting plants from us for a decade or more. This loyalty and our love of growing plants has kept us going, but nothing lasts forever.

We have decided that Spring of 2022 will be the last year we offer plants for public sale. The major factor for our decision is dealing with the weather in an outdoor sales setting – high winds, cold rains, frost, snow and even hail. As you can imagine this has been a difficult and emotional decision.

We realize many have come to rely on us for the variety of our plants, many not found elsewhere, plus the quality and affordability of them. We love gardening and talking with people who come here every spring. We’ve come to think of people as friends, often remarking to each other if we haven’t seen someone and hoping they’re doing OK.

We cannot thank you enough for your support. It has truly been overwhelming.

We wish you peace and gardening success.

Janine & Dave Heck