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Theresa Louise Andre

May 04, 1932 - April 09, 2026



CADYVILLE — Theresa Louise Andre, 93 years young, passed into the arms of our Savior on April 9, 2026. She was born on May 4, 1932, to William and Julia Duquette.

Theresa graduated from St. John's Academy in Plattsburgh, N.Y., in 1950. She continued her education and graduated from the Champlain Valley School of Nursing in 1953. Her nursing career began at CVPH, but her true calling was as a geriatric nurse at Clinton County Nursing Home, retiring from there in 1990.

Theresa served the community in many ways. She was a past member of the Champlain Valley School of Nursing, served at one time on the Board of Office at the Aging, a member of the St. James Altar Society in Cadyville for many years, where she supervised many church functions. She also volunteered as an election inspector in Cadyville.

Theresa loved going to social gatherings and it was at one of these events when she met the love of her life, James Andre of Croghan, N.Y. They were married at St. James Church in Cadyville on June 15, 1957, and spent 63 years together. They enjoyed cross-country skiing, snowmobiling with friends and family, traveling in their motor home, and spending winters in Florida or South Carolina.

Theresa was not only a professional caregiver; caring and giving to others was a way of life for her. She was an amazing cook and baker, and many friends and family were recipients of her culinary skills. She was a shoulder to cry on, a sounding board, a sympathetic ear, and a gentle touch all of her life. She was extremely proud of her husband, children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, and they were the joy of her life.

Left to cherish her memory are her daughter Lori (Curtis) Latremore; sons Daniel (Karen) Andre, Paul (Susan) Andre, and Matthew Andre. Her nine grandchildren: Kelsey (Brennan) Stanton, Kegan Latremore, Kinnan Latremore, Kristie (Eric) Parmeter, Renee Andre, Tyler Andre, Jacob Andre, Heath (Jessica) Andre, and John (Jocelyn) Andre. She also leaves three great-grandchildren: Piper Stanton, Asher Stanton, and Liam Andre.

Theresa was predeceased by her husband Jim, her son Stephen, a grandson Cody, daughter-in-law Carol Andre, her parents William and Julia, her in-laws Niles and Beatrice, and her five brothers and four sisters.

There will be no calling hours. A funeral Mass to celebrate Theresa's life will be held on Friday, April 17, 2026, at 11 a.m. at St. James Church in Cadyville, N.Y.

A very special thank you to the staff at Pine Harbour of Plattsburgh, N.Y., Hospice of the North Country, and to Dr. Anthony Vaccaro and Dr. Debra Clark. We truly appreciate everything you did for our Theresa.

Donations in Theresa's name may be made to the Cadyville Fire Department, Hospice of the North Country, or AutismSpeaks.org.

HEATHER ANDREWS FOSTER passed away April 5, 2026. Calling hours April 6, 2026, 4 to 6 p.m. at Brown Funeral Home, Plattsburgh. Mass April 7, 2026, 10 a.m., at Our Lady of Victory Church. Burial in St. Peter's Cemetery, Plattsburgh.

B

SCOTT BEATTY, Altona, died April 13, 2026. Visitation Friday, April 17th, 4 to 7 p.m., Walker Funeral Home, Plattsburgh. Service to follow at 7 p.m. A Celebration of Life Saturday, April 18th, beginning at 1 p.m., Twin Bridges VFW, Champlain.

Terry "Slim" J. Bechard

June 22, 1956 - April 04, 2026



PLATTSBURGH — Terry (Slim) J. Bechard, 69, of Plattsburgh, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, April 4, 2026, at his residence. He was born on June 22nd, 1956, the sixth child of Alex Bechard and Doris (Trombly) Bechard.

Terry graduated from Chazy Central Rural School in 1974, where he played on the soccer team, then Plattsburgh State with a BA in Communications. Terry worked for Kings Department Store, Lake Champlain Pools and IBM in Burlington, Vt. He was an avid Dallas Cowboys fan and enjoyed discussing their team roster.

In 1978 Terry suffered a tragic auto accident. After years of recovery, Terry was able to live independently in Plattsburgh. He truly was a friend of all who crossed his daily path.

He is survived by his siblings and their spouses, Alex (Spike) and Barbara Bechard of Chazy, Bruce and Lynne Bechard of Poway, Calif., Steve and Vina Bechard of Plattsburgh, Tim and Kathy Bechard of Lake George, Cindy and Bob Roy of Chazy, Matt Bechard of Chazy and Nancy and Fred Lagoy of Cadyville, N.Y.; he is also survived by many nieces and nephews and his special friend, KT.

He is predeceased by his parents.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, from 4 to 6 p.m. A prayer service will follow. Graveside service will take place in the spring at St. Joseph's Cemetery in West Chazy.

Immediately after the service, all are welcome to gather at Old Soul Design Shop to share their memories of Slim.

Arrangements are entrusted to Brown Funeral Home.

Online condolences may be offered at www.brownfuneralhomeny.com

PAUL M. BENWARE, 68, passed away April 21, 2026. Born in Springfield, Mass., May 4, 1957, the son of Harwood and Pauline (Balboni) Benware. There will be a memorial service at a later date. Arrangements with R.W. Walker Funeral Home.

Douglas "Doug" Brown

December 31, 1920 - April 04, 2026



PERU — Douglas Brown, 105, passed away peacefully on Saturday, April 4, 2026.

He was born in Hemmingford, Quebec, and grew up in Mooers, N.Y. He served in all major battles on the WWII Western Front in the U.S. Army Air Corps. He was a rural letter carrier, owned Peru Hardware, and enjoyed square dancing, boating, and golfing. Doug was a long-time woodworker and accomplished wood carver, hobbies he enjoyed until his sudden death.



Left to cherish his memory are daughters Gail (Ed) Moore, Wendy (Bob) Silverman, Rona (Russell) Doyle; granddaughters, Courtney Wade and Ellen Montague; great-granddaughter Rebecca Montague; his brother Clifford Brown, and many nieces and nephews.

Doug was predeceased by Helen, his wife of 72 years.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: Peru Fire Department, North Country Honor Flight, or CVPH Foundation.

Relatives and friends are invited to celebrate his life on Saturday, April 11, 2026, at 11 a.m. at the Hamilton Funeral Home Chapel, Peru. Burial at the convenience of the family.

Arrangements are in the care of the Hamilton Funeral Home, 294 Mannix Road, Peru, 518-643-9055. www.hamiltonfuneralhome.com



C

Jeanette C. I. (Lalonde) Clark

December 10, 1942 - March 31, 2026



PLATTSBURGH — The daughter of Edmond and Irene (Fischer) Lalonde. Graduated from St. Mary's Academy in Champlain, N.Y., and Marinello Cosmetology in NYC.

Jeanette was a beautician and owned her own business, Jeanette's Beauty Nook, where she cut and styled hair for over 50 years.

She is survived by her husband, Carl R. Clark and two sons, Jay A. Clark of Colorado and Shawn M. Tetreault and wife

Kathleen Tetreault of Plattsburgh. Also was predeceased by one beloved granddaughter, Maggie Garrow.

Arrangements are with Brown Funeral Home, 29 Broad Street, Plattsburgh, N.Y., on Tuesday, April 7th, 2026, from 4 to 6 p.m. A Mass the following morning will be at Our Lady of Victory Church at 10 a.m.; burial will be at Mount Carmel Cemetery in Plattsburgh.

In her memory, she asks that you do a kind deed for someone or visit a shut-in. Thank you



D

DAVID DIRENZO left this earth to join his wife on the mountains of heaven, March 23, 2026. A heartfelt thank you to all those who helped Dave in the last chapter of his life.

LISA DUMAR, 64, passed away April 13, 2026. Calling hours will be at St. Alexander's Church in Morrisonville on April 24th from 10 to 11 with Mass at 11. Services were entrusted to Heidrick Funeral Home, Plattsburgh.

Brent C. Dupee

August 05, 1952 - April 14, 2026



AUSABLE — Brent C. Dupee, 73, of Ausable, N.Y., passed away peacefully April 14, 2026. He was born in Plattsburgh, N.Y., the son of the late Richard C. Dupee Sr. and Pauline M. Dupee. He graduated from St. John's High School and was a local football star. Brent later moved to Alaska with his brother Ronald Dupee and worked on the Alaskan pipeline. He lived most of his adult life in Fairbanks, Alaska, and then returned to the North Country. He loved the outdoors, fishing, woodworking and beekeeping.

Brent was predeceased by his wife Linda Dupee, and his brother Ronald J. Dupee. He is survived by his children Nichole Sauer and Robert Dupee and their mother Marjorie Dupee, as well as his brothers, Richard C. Dupee Jr. and wife Patricia Dupee, Michael Dupee and his wife Lisa Bedard-Dupee, Marlon Dupee and extended family.

Always up for an adventure in the wilds of Alaska or over-the-road truck driving we know this is just the beginning of a new chapter for him.

F

Susan A. Fifield

August 16, 1948 - March 24, 2026



SCHENECTADY — Susan A. Fifield, 77, passed away peacefully at her home in Schenectady on Tuesday, March 24, 2026, surrounded by the love of her family.

Born in Plattsburgh, N.Y., she was the daughter of the late Agnes and Carl Guynup. Susan was a graduate of Saranac Central High School and continued her education at SUNY Plattsburgh. She went on to dedicate more than 25 years of service to Aramark at Albany Medical Center Hospital, where she was known for her strong work ethic and warm personality.

In her youth, Susan was a communicant of St. James Church in Cadyville, N.Y. After moving to the Capital Region, she became a longtime communicant of St. Luke's Catholic Church in Schenectady, where her faith remained an important part of her life.

Susan was a devoted and loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend. She found great joy in making crafts, playing

Scrabble, and spending time with her family, especially her cherished grandchildren.

She is survived by her beloved husband, Richard Fifield, whom she married in 1967; her children, Beth Susan (Neil) Hodgson, Barbara Lynn (Angelo) Guzman, and Richard Gilbert (Tracey) Fifield; and her treasured grandchildren, Cecelia, Anthony, Thomas, Morgan, Hannah, and Rebekka. She is also survived by her siblings, Daniel (Peggy) Guynup, Andrew (Judy) Guynup, Ellen (James) Lundy, Russell (Laura) Guynup, and Miles (April) Guynup, along with many loving nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Susan was predeceased by her brothers, Robert and William Guynup.

Calling hours will be 4 to 6 p.m. Monday, April 27, 2026, at Brown Funeral Home, 29 Broad St., Plattsburgh, N.Y. A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated 11 a.m. Tuesday, April 28, 2026, at St. James Church, 26 Church Rd., Cadyville, N.Y., with interment to follow in St. James Cemetery, Cadyville, N.Y.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Juvenile Diabetes in Susan's memory.

Gloria J. Fitts

September 16, 1947 - April 23, 2026



ROUSES POINT — Gloria J. Fitts, 78, passed away peacefully on April 23, 2026, at CVPH Medical Center surrounded by her family.

She was born on Sept. 16, 1947, in Lawrence, N.Y., to Walter and Nuella (Ploof) Clookey. Gloria was a devoted mother, grandmother, sister, and friend whose warmth and steady presence touched all who knew her.

Gloria dedicated many years of her career to Wyeth Ayerst/Pfizer, where she was a valued and respected employee. Outside of her work, she found her greatest joy in her family, especially in time spent with her children and cherished grandchildren.

Gloria had a generous heart and was a caregiver to many, selflessly tending to others' needs throughout her life.

She was predeceased by her beloved husband of 52 years, Adrian S. Fitts.

She is lovingly remembered by her four children: Kelly Fitts (Dan Liegel), David Fitts (Amy Mott), Kevin Fitts (Jessica), and Kristina (David). She was a proud and devoted grandmother to Lily, Morgan, Wyatt, Harper, Aidan, Keira, and Owen, each of whom brought immense joy to her life.

Gloria is also survived by her siblings: Donna (Gary) Anamaet, Sheila Facticeau, Deborah Napper, and Richard (Kelly) Clookey; and by her sister-in-law, Molly Tayler. She shared a lifelong bond with her family and held them close to her heart.

Arrangements are through Brown Funeral Home in Plattsburgh. A private funeral service will be held at Maple Hill Cemetery in Rouses Point.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Rouses Point Fire and EMS Department in her honor.

George E. Fountain

February 27, 1938 - April 11, 2026



PLATTSBURGH — George E. Fountain passed away peacefully, surrounded by his loving family, on April 11, 2026, at the age of 88.

Son of the late Stella (LaTour) and George E. Fountain, George was a lifelong resident of Plattsburgh. He graduated from Mount Assumption Institute in 1956 and began his career at Conner's Pharmacy. He became a Pharmacy Tech while working at Baker's Pharmacy, and when they closed down he moved to Condo's Pharmacy,

where he remained until his retirement. He loved helping people and was extremely kind and patient with all his customers.

George was an active member of St. Peter's Church. He served as a Eucharistic minister, sang in the choir led by George Shnob, ran the Dime Pitch every year at the French Festival, and was famous for the special punch he made for gatherings served in the Emmaus Room by the Bethany Committee. In addition to his church activities, George was a member of Cumberland Bay Barbershop Chorus with Jim Varno and Lucian Bernard, and he volunteered at Mission of Hope with Sister Debbie.

George's greatest joy was spending time with his family. He married Alice (Ryan), who was the love of his life, in 1957. Together they had seven children: Sue (Paul) Williams, Patty (Dana) Brand, Daniel (Eugenia) Fountain, George Fountain, Mark (Tamara) Fountain, Christopher Fountain and Kevin (Jeanette) Fountain. George and Alice had 15 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

George is survived by his wife, his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, his sisters-in-law Grace Rascoe and Peg Rascoe, his brothers-in-law Maynard Rascoe and Homer Fournier, and many nieces, nephews and dear friends. He was predeceased by his son George J. Fountain, his son-in-law Paul Williams, his sister Marie and her husband Aloysius Carney, his sister-in-law Mary Fournier, and his brother-in-law Richard Rascoe.

The Fountain family wishes to express heartfelt thanks to the staff at Plattsburgh Rehabilitation & Nursing Center for the compassionate care they provided to George and the whole family.

Calling hours will be held at Brown's Funeral Home in Plattsburgh on Thursday, April 16th, beginning at 11 a.m. until 1 p.m., followed by a Mass of Christian burial at St. Peter's Church in Plattsburgh at 1:30 p.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. In lieu of flowers, please consider a Mass card or a memorial donation to North Country Mission of Hope or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

JULIE A. FRENNIER passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family on Sunday, April 5, 2026, at the Plattsburgh Rehabilitation & Nursing Center. Arrangements are made with the Brown Funeral Home, 29 Broad Street, Plattsburgh.



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DEBRA "DEBBIE" GARRANT passed peacefully on April 9, 2026, at the age of 70. Visitation will be held on Thursday, April 16, 2026, from 4 to 6 p.m. at Brown Funeral Home. A funeral service will follow.

GERALD GADWAY passed away April 12, 2026. A Mass of Christian burial will be Saturday, April 25th, at 10 a.m. in St. Ann's Church, Mooers Forks. Family will receive guests at 9 a.m. Arrangements entrusted to Rabideau Funeral Home, Ellenburg.

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Thomas Bruce Henderson

May 05, 1941 - January 08, 2026



CADYVILLE — Thomas Bruce Henderson, age 84, passed away peacefully on Thursday, Jan. 8, 2026, at Albany Stratton VA Medical Center, surrounded by the love of his family, both near and far. Born on May 5, 1941, in Newark, N.J., Bruce was the son of the late Thomas and Clara (Van Zile) Henderson. He graduated from Baringer High School and entered into the United States Army in 1966, serving in the 523rd Transportation Company in Vietnam. Bruce served overseas until his honorable discharge in 1968.

Upon returning from military service, Bruce attended Oklahoma Farriers' College and enjoyed a career as a blacksmith and farrier. He met the love of his life, Kim (Fittin) Henderson, at the barn where they both kept their horses. Together, they bonded over a shared love of horses and built a life in New Jersey and later in upstate New York.

Bruce was known for his easy sense of humor, his gift for storytelling, and his innate, if not incredible, ability to fix just about anything. He loved the outdoors, fishing at the pond in his backyard, taking canoe trips, and horseback riding, but he was happiest when spending time with his children and grandchildren. He especially cherished watching their sporting events and even tolerated the occasional dance recital.

In addition to his devoted wife of 43 years, Bruce is survived by his children and their spouses: Kyle and Simon Croke of Boca Raton, Fla., Ross Henderson of Wilmington, N.C., and Matthew and Rebecca (Ruscito) Henderson of Ballston Lake, N.Y. He was the proud Grandpa of Luke and Kylie Croke, Gage, Samantha, and Maverick Henderson, and the best Beepa to Harper Henderson. He is also survived by several nieces, nephews, and many dear friends.

A funeral and burial will be held on Friday, May 1, 2026, at 11 a.m. at Gerald B.H. Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery located at 200 Duell Road, Schuylerville, N.Y.

Arrangements are entrusted to Townley & Wheeler Funeral Home, 21 Midline Road, Ballston Lake, and they encourage you to view and leave messages on Thomas's Book of Memories at www.TownleyWhereleFH.com.

K

LILLIAN KASPER, 92, of Plattsburgh, died April 15th, 2026. A celebration of life will be held at Lake Forest Senior Community in Plattsburgh, on May 17th at 3 p.m. Arrangements entrusted to R.W. Walker Funeral Home and Cremation Service, Plattsburgh.

GERARD "JERRY" KELLY JR., 92, of Morrisonville, passed away, March 27, 2026. Visitation Friday, April 10th, 3 to 5 p.m., Walker Funeral Home, followed by a service at 5 with military honors. Arrangements by Walker Funeral Home and Cremation Service.

L

Linda L. LaPorte

February 04, 1947 - April 17, 2026



ROUSES POINT — Linda L. LaPorte, 79, passed away on Friday, April 17, 2026, in Plattsburgh, N.Y. Linda was a feisty, big-hearted woman who loved fiercely and fought just as hard. If you knew her, you knew she was strong willed and she did nothing halfway—especially loving her family and friends.

Born in Plattsburgh, N.Y., Linda was the daughter of Antoine and Addarine (Dame) Phaneuf. She spent her early years on a farm in Altona, where she was truly the apple of her father's eye. She attended Altona High School, and during that time she met her future husband, Albert LaPorte, and they went on to raise four children.

Linda is survived by her daughters, Melissa LaPorte of Champlain, N.Y., and Jessica Badger of Rouses Point, N.Y. She also leaves behind her beloved grandchildren: James Menard (Ryan Wood) of Plattsburgh, N.Y.; Katelyn LaPorte (Caleb Lazarski) of Murrells Inlet, S.C.; Karissa (Nicholas) Bouchard of Avondale, Ariz.; Megan LaPorte of Plattsburgh, N.Y.; Mitchell (Brittaney) LaPorte of Wilmington, N.C.; Mikayla LaPorte of Asheville, N.C.; and her two cherished boys who were truly the apple of her eye, Keaton and Camden Badger of Rouses Point, N.Y. She is also survived by her sister-in-law, Tammy LaPorte of Rouses Point, N.Y. Linda also adored her great-grandchildren beyond measure: Porter and Liam Menard; Aubree Wright; Chloe Merry and Zander LaPorte; and Jaxsen, Jamisen, Jonah, and Jeffrey LaPorte.

Linda was predeceased by her beloved husband, Albert LaPorte; her sons Michael LaPorte and Albert "Joe" LaPorte, whom she loved and missed deeply; her parents; her brother; and her sister-in-law Christine LaPorte.

Linda was a friend to many. Sitting in solitude was never her style; she thrived on conversation and connection. Linda loved socializing, making new friends (and occasionally a rival or two), playing cards, painting ceramics, birdwatching, crafting, and cleaning. There was always something that needed to be cleaned—sometimes even if it had just been cleaned the week before.

Linda had a remarkable gift for making friends wherever she went. In July of 2024, she moved into Bechard's Senior Housing, where she either formed new friendships or happily reunited

with old ones who remained close to her heart—Gloria, Penny, Patty, Loretta, Roger and Glenn, Millie, Ken, Danielle and Randy who lovingly adopted Linda as his own while caring for his mother.

She had many dear friends whom she treasured, including Lori Brink; Dale and Linda Nichols; Brandon McCauslin; and her forever son-in-law, Mark Badger.

The family would like to thank the staff at CVPH and Meadowbrook for the care and kindness they showed Linda. Your patience, warmth, compassion, and good humor never went unnoticed—an essential quality when caring for someone with Linda's strong will. You treated her with dignity, respect, and just enough indulgence to keep her happy, which meant a great deal to her and to us.

Arrangements are with the Ross Funeral Home in Champlain, N.Y. There will be no calling hours. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

BRETT LAVALLEY, 52, passed away April 12, 2026. He was born May 22, 1973. Visitation Saturday, April 18th, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Walker Funeral Home, Plattsburgh. Arrangements entrusted to the R.W. Walker Funeral Home and Cremation Service.

Florence A. Lecuyer

July 12, 1936 - April 15, 2026



PLATTSBURGH — Florence A. "Midge" Lecuyer, 89, of Plattsburgh, N.Y., passed away on Wednesday, April 15, 2026, at UVHN:CVPH Medical Center in Plattsburgh after a brief illness with her children by her side.

She was born in Plattsburgh on July 12, 1936, the daughter of Walter and Jennie Cody.

"Midge" as she was called, retired from Schonbek Lightning Co. after 20 years. She was a life member of Peru VFW Post 309 auxiliary. Her favorite pastimes were traveling to St. Thomas V.I., to catch up with family, spending time with her grandchildren and being a friend to everyone she met.

She is survived by her children Kathy and Richard Dabrowski, Ricky and Lisa Lecuyer, Gaylon and Sandy Lecuyer, and Lori and Joey Cross. Ten grandchildren, several great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her husband Loyal, son Louis, sisters Mabel Crossley and Pearl Sorel; brothers Frank Cody, Jim Cody and Louis Cody.

A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated on Friday, April 24th, at 3 p.m. at St. Alexander's Church in Morrisonville, N.Y. Burial will follow at St. Peter's Cemetery.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date, because everyone knew she liked a party!

Arrangements are entrusted to Brown Funeral Home.



M

Susan Ann Miller

June 29, 1948 - March 25, 2026



MOORSE FORKS — It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Susan Ann Miller, at the age 77 of Moores Forks, N.Y., who passed away on March 25, 2026, at Strong Memorial Hospital with family by her side.

Sue was born on June 29, 1948, to Alfred and Evaline McDonald, who both preceded her in death.

Sue was a kind and gentle soul who brought warmth and comfort to everyone around her. She found joy in life's simple pleasures, including riding four-wheelers and working on crossword puzzles. Above all, she cherished her family deeply and loved being surrounded by those she cared about.

She is survived by her loving husband Ricky Miller; her children Kurt Kraft and Hope Golden; and her cherished grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Kurt's children include Christopher Kraft, whose children are Ben, Caroline and Josh, and Katie Kraft and her significant other, Ean Landry, along with their children, Colton and Thea. Hope Golden and her husband Paul Golden; her children, Dylan Golden and Cameron Garceau, his wife Kara Garceau and their daughter Ella.

Sue is also survived by her sisters Elaine Alger and her husband Stanley Alger, Carol Fitzwater and her companion Michael Robert; as well as many nieces, nephews, and extended family members. She was preceded in death by her brother, Thomas McDonald.

Susan's love, kindness, and gentle spirit will be deeply missed by all who knew her, and her memory will forever live on in the hearts of her family.

Funeral arrangements will be announced at a later time. The family would like to extend their heartfelt gratitude to the staff of Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester, N.Y., for compassionate care of Susan.

P

JOAN PARKER, 91, of Plattsburgh, passed away April 13, 2026. Calling hours April 23, 2026, 5 to 6 p.m. at the Brown Funeral Home. Graveside service April 24, 2026, at 10 a.m., at St. Peter's Cemetery in Plattsburgh.

Regina E. Pecotte

March 14, 1935 - March 21, 2026



PLATTSBURGH — Regina Pecotte, a beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend, passed away peacefully on Saturday, March 21st, 2026, at the age of 91. A long-time resident of Plattsburgh, N.Y., Regina was born on Thursday, March 14th, 1935, in the quaint town of Duryea, Pa.

Regina was a cherished member of the community, known for her compassionate nature and dedication to helping others.

She graduated from Duryea High School and devoted much of her career to serving as a Nurses Aide at Meadowbrook Nurs-

ing Home in Plattsburgh along with working at Montgomery Ward; her gentle touch and kind heart left a lasting impact on those she cared for and worked with.

A devoted family woman, Regina was predeceased by her beloved parents, Edward and Anna Ososki; her dear sisters, Marion Knuffke and Mildred Ososki; and her loving husband, Harry Pecotte. She is survived by her son, Harry Pecotte, and daughter-in-law Jaime Pecotte, daughter, Melanie Saari and son-in-law Garry Saari. Regina's legacy continues through her grandchildren: Samantha Pecotte, Garry M. Saari, Charles Picotte, Brian Saari, Andrew Picotte, Edward Picotte, Christopher Picotte, Thomas Picotte, and her great-grandchildren, Ethan Saari, Logan Saari, and Madeline Picotte. She is also remembered with love by her granddaughters-in-law Tiffany Saari, Jocelyn Saari, and Marylou Picotte.

Regina found great joy in gardening and treasured the moments spent with family and friends. Her garden was a place of beauty and peace, much like the warmth she brought to those around her.

Family and friends are invited to pay their respects during the visitation at Brown Funeral Home in Plattsburgh, N.Y., on Friday, April 3rd, 2026, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. A funeral service will follow from 12 to 12:15 p.m. at the same location.

Arrangements are under the care of Brown Funeral Homes - Plattsburgh.

Regina Pecotte's life was a testament to love, care, and dedication. Her memory will be cherished by all who knew her. May she rest in eternal peace, surrounded by the love she so generously gave to others.

WENDY POTTICHEN, 84, of Plattsburgh, passed away March 11, 2026. Per her wishes, there will be no public calling hours or funeral service. Arrangements are in the care of Brown Funeral Home in Plattsburgh.

JOAN PRZYBYCIEN passed away peacefully on March 24, 2026, surrounded by family at CVPH in Plattsburgh, N.Y. She will rest with her husband at Massachusetts Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Agawam, Mass., at a later date.

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ROY ROGERS CLARK, 81, died March 28th, at his home. At Roy's request there will be no services. Private burial will be held in Starbuck Cemetery, Washington. Arrangements are with the Chateaugay Funeral Home.

PATRICIA "PAT" RODRIGUEZ, 79, passed away April 14, 2026. She was born Sept. 3, 1946. A funeral Mass will be held Monday, April 20th, at 11 a.m., St. Edmund's Church, Ellenburg. Arrangements are entrusted to the Rabideau Funeral Home, Ellenburg.



S

Walter P. Sears

August 01, 1942 - April 02, 2026



PLATTSBURGH — Walter P. Sears, 83, passed away peacefully on April 2, 2026, at CVPH, holding the hand of his eldest son. While our hearts are heavy, we are also grateful that he is now able to rest in peace.

Walt was born in Buffalo, N.Y., on Aug. 1, 1942, to Osmyn and Virginia Sears. After several years in Ellenburg Depot, he eventually settled in West Chazy, N.Y. He also spent the last 30 plus winters in Arizona. Over the last 15 months, Walt enjoyed his apartment at the Vilas Home. He respected, appreciated and loved the staff and residents.

He retired from Clinton Correctional in 1983. Prior to his career with NYSDOCS, he was a machine operator, a barber, security guard and a ship welder. The longest "career" of his storied life was that of a "Professional Bum," as he would proudly boast.

Walt was a very proud and involved member of the Adirondack Riders Motorcycle Club for over 30 years.

Walt was proud to be an Ordained Minister and performed many marriage ceremonies, baptisms and even bike blessings.

He was truly one of a kind; full of personality, love, opinions and knowledge, which he was never afraid to share.

Walt is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Eric and Paula Sears of Cheektowaga, N.Y.; his favorite daughter, Cheryl LeClair of Altona; and his son and daughter-in-law, Kevin and Penny Sears of Alden, N.Y.; as well as four grandchildren, Eric LeClair and his partner, Megan, Adam LeClair, Hunter Sears and Lilly Sears; and two great-grandchildren, Declan LeClair and Lexi LeClair.

As an only child, he is also amazingly survived by many "brothers and sisters" acquired through his affiliation with the motorcycle community, his many travels and his new friends and family at Vilas.

Walt was predeceased by his parents; his former wife and mother of his children, Janet Sears; and his third wife, Janet Sears-McIntyre. He was also predeceased by many friends and beloved dogs.

Our family would like to thank the staff on R4 at CVPH for their compassion and care during Dad's final hours.

A Celebration of Life will be held in honor of Walter on April 19, 2026, from 1 to 5 p.m. at the West Plattsburgh American Legion Post 1619. Family and friends are invited to share their stories and celebrate a remarkable life well-lived.

Donations in his honor may be made to the North Country Honor Flight.

Arrangements are in the care of the Ross Funeral Home.

OIDA SMART, 91, passed away on April 21, 2026. A committal service will be held on May 4th at 10 a.m. at the Town of Plattsburgh Community Mausoleum. Services were entrusted to Heidrick Funeral Home, 48 Court St., Plattsburgh.



DR. THOMAS SURBECK NICOLL, 81, Ausable Forks, passed away April 2, 2026. Calling hours 4 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 8th, at R.W. Walker Funeral Home, Plattsburgh. Funeral service at St. John's Church, Plattsburgh, Thursday, April 9th, 11 a.m.

Edward A. Sweeny

December 16, 1944 - March 22, 2026



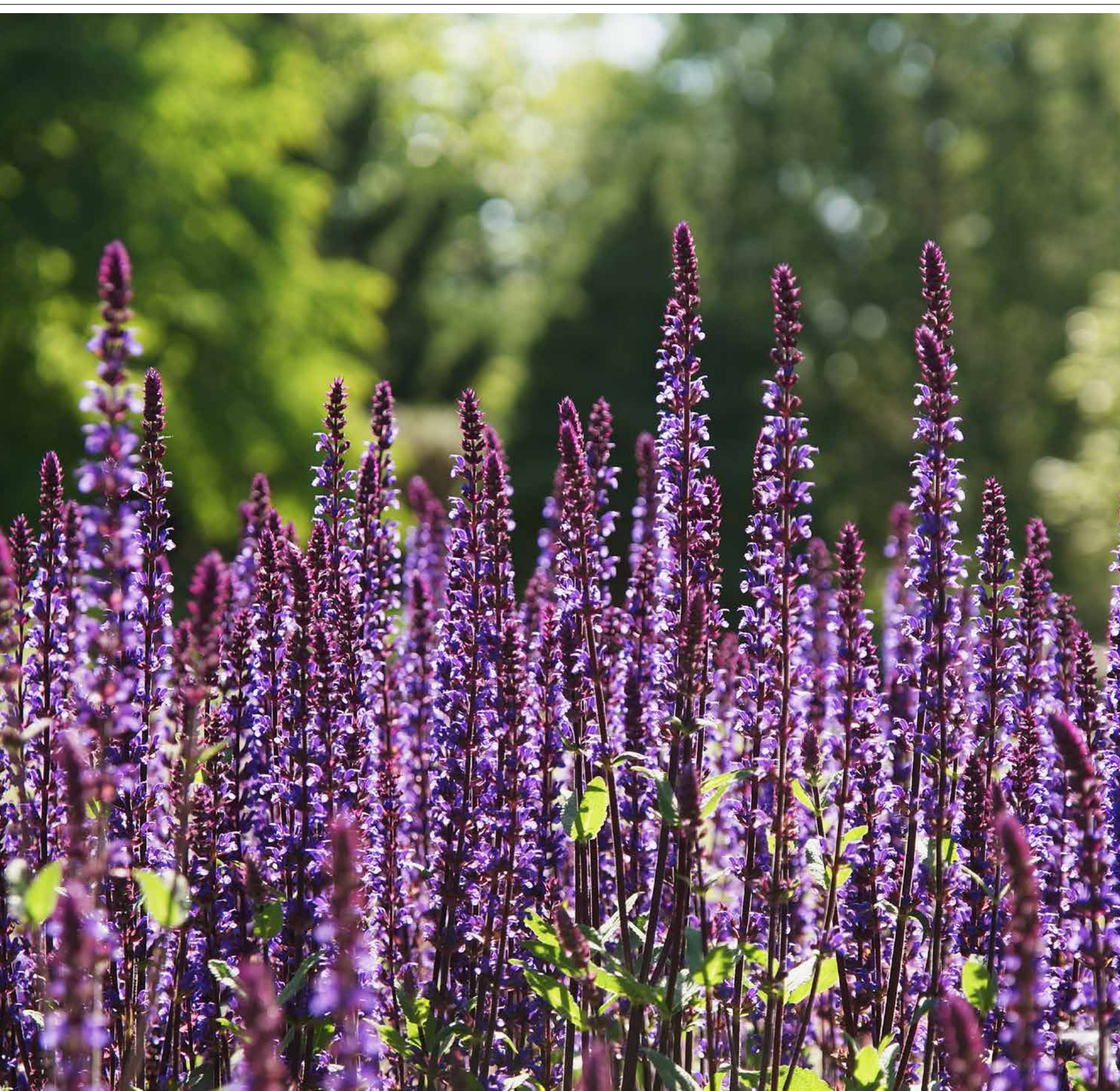
ROUSES POINT — The family of Edward A. Sweeny, 81, of Rouses Point, N.Y., announces that he passed away peacefully March 22, 2026, in Plattsburgh, N.Y. He was born in St. Albans, Vt., Dec. 16, 1944, to Robert and Dorothy (Platt) Sweeny.

Arrangements are entrusted to Jeffrey Levesque and the Brady & Levesque Funeral Home, where a complete obituary, fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared with his family and friends at: www.bradyandlevesque.com.

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RODGER WHITE JR., Plattsburgh, passed away April 5, 2026. A funeral service will be held at Plattsburgh United Methodist Church on Saturday, April 11th, at 11 a.m., followed by a luncheon. Arrangements are entrusted to the Rabideau Funeral Home, Ellenburg.







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