

# with Love & *Remembrance*

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**LEEWARD ASHLINE**, 85, Haynes Road, passed away Feb. 19, 2026. Calling hours from 3 to 5 p.m., Friday, Feb. 27, 2026, R.W. Walker Funeral Home, Plattsburgh. Service will follow at 5 p.m. Reception at 5:30 p.m. at VFW Post 125.

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## Tricia L. Begor

June 30, 1971 - January 26, 2026



PLATTSBURGH — Tricia L. Begor, age 54, passed away unexpectedly at home with her life partner Chris Colon at her side, on Monday, Jan. 26, 2026. Born in Plattsburgh, N.Y., she was the daughter of the late Howard and Ruth (Pasho) Begor.

Tricia attended Mount Assumption Institute - Class of 89 and then attended Clinton Community College while beginning her 30-year career at Bombardier/ Alstom in quality assurance.

Tricia had a passion for entering sweepstakes. She won many things over the years, however the most special was her Arlen Ness Harley Davidson Budweiser Custom built motorcycle. She never missed a Phish concert at SPAC for the past 15 years with her soulmate Chris. She enjoyed thrifting and re-selling. Trish had a special relation with her four cats.

Trish is survived by her life companion and soulmate of 15 years, Chris Colon along with aunts, uncles, cousins and many friends. She was predeceased by one sister, Anne.

Tricia should be remembered as a kind and caring woman but also as one that was strong, smart and never afraid of a challenge. She will be missed.

Tricia's wish would be that everyone who reads this show an act of kindness today and every day.

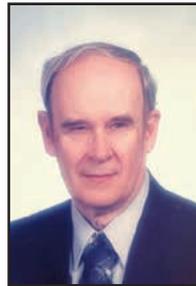
Calling hours will be held on Friday, Jan. 30, 2026, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Brown Funeral Home. A Mass of Christian burial will be held on Saturday, Jan. 31, 2026, at St. John's Church.

Donations may be made in her name to the following: Elmore ASPCA and St. Jude Children's Foundation.

Family and friends are invited to share online condolences and memories at [BrownFuneralHome.com](http://BrownFuneralHome.com).

## Earrold Hanlon Brockington

September 11, 1932 - January 30, 2026



QUEENSBURY — Earrold Hanlon Brockington, 93, died on Jan. 30th, 2026, at the Glens Falls Hospital. Earrold was a beloved husband, father, brother, grandfather, great-grandfather, uncle, and friend, and his strength and wisdom will be missed by many. Earrold was born on Sept. 11, 1932, in Montreal, Canada, to Felix and Ida (Peron) Brockington. He moved with his parents and sister Eunice to Chazy, N.Y., when he was four, but he continued to enjoy summers working on his grandparents' farm in Napierville, Quebec, through his high school years. He graduated from Chazy High School, where he met his wife of 60 years and the love of his life, Sally Ann Reynolds.

He served as a corporal in the U.S. Army Artillery from 1953-1955. After his military service, Earrold worked for his father at F.R. Brockington Hardware, Plattsburgh, N.Y., and for his father-in-law, Ken Reynolds, at K.P. Reynolds Well Drilling in Ingraham, N.Y. In 1964, Earrold earned a degree in Engineering Drafting from The Technical Institute of Drafting in Montreal, Quebec. After graduating, he moved with his young family to Hudson Falls, N.Y., to start a career with Kamy Inc. (a division of Ahlstrom, Inc.), eventually relocating to Alpharetta, Ga., in 1990, where he continued working in the pulp and paper industry for Ahlstrom until he retired in 1993.

Earrold enjoyed playing the piano, golfing, woodworking, and playing pool, and his family and friends loved learning from and enjoying these pursuits with him.

Earrold was predeceased by his wife, Sally Ann (Reynolds) and is survived by his son Samuel (Nancy) of Flowery Branch, Ga., his daughter Ellen Martin (Paul) of Queensbury, N.Y., his sister, Eunice Hislop of Huntsville, Ala., his sisters-in-law, Carol Ladd of Chazy, N.Y., and Eleanor Reynolds of Champlain, N.Y., and brother-in-law, Donald Reynolds of West Chazy, N.Y. He is also survived by his beloved grandchildren, Keith (Nicole) Brockington of Greenville, S.C., Patrick (Sarah) Brockington, of Martinez, Ga., Megan Fowler (Tyson), of Buford, Ga., his great-grandchildren, Adelaide and Shay Fowler, and Holly and Noelle Brockington, as well as many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at the Hudson Falls United Methodist Church on April 11, 2026, at 11 a.m. A burial service will be held at the Riverview Cemetery in Chazy, N.Y., on June 29, 2026, at 1:30.

Donations may be made in Earrold's memory to the Wounded Warrior Project at [www.woundedwarriorproject.org](http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org).

## Royce L. Butchino

December 20, 1938 - February 12, 2026



PLATTSBURGH — Royce L. Butchino, 87, passed away on Thursday, Feb. 12, 2026, at the Elizabethtown Community Hospital in Elizabethtown, N.Y. He was born in Malone, on Dec. 20, 1938, the son of the late Ozias and Pearl (Cook) Butchino.

Royce married his wife, Marie (Fabrizio) Butchino, on Nov. 4, 1961, and remained married until Marie's untimely passing in 2020. Together, they raised three children, Darren, Corinne, and Dwayne.

Royce served his country in the United States Army, and was welcomed member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion. He worked a variety of jobs in his life including a baker at Boyea's Bakery, laborer, and Heavy Equipment Operator for the City of Plattsburgh, and a school bus driver for the Clinton County Public Transit. But perhaps the job he loved

most was being a grandparent and spending time with his grandchildren. Royce loved to dance and listen to country and 50's rock and roll, and often enjoyed a good action movie, or military shows. In his spare time, he often tinkered in his basement woodworking and refinishing furniture, or building something for a loved one. Oftentimes he could be seen on the shores of Lake Champlain fishing by himself or with family and friends.

Royce is survived by his son, Darren and wife Shari Butchino of Peru; daughter Corinne and husband Michael Giambruno of Dannemora; son Dwayne and wife Charity Butchino of Plattsburgh; his grandchildren, Nicole and Ian Curtis of Peru; Dominica and Brandon Curtin of North Syracuse, N.Y.; Anita Giambruno of Port Kent; Marci Giambruno of Port Kent; Anthony Giambruno of Dannemora; Ana Butchino of Plattsburgh; Talya Butchino of Plattsburgh; and six great-grandchildren, Damian, Mercedes, Makenzie, Dorian, and Ivette Curtis, and Brantley Giambruno; and Royce's brother Roderick of Tennessee.

He is predeceased by his wife, Marie Butchino, his parents, Ozias and Pearl (Cook) Butchino, his brothers, Ronald, Richard, Rodger, Reginald, Randolph and his sister Roberta Trombley.

Honoring Royce's wishes, there will be no public calling hours or services. To leave condolences for the family, please visit [www.BrownFuneralHomeNY.com](http://www.BrownFuneralHomeNY.com)

## Tammy M. Butchino

April 16, 1973 - February 07, 2026



MORRISONVILLE — Tammy M. Butchino, born April 16th, 1973, passed on Feb. 7th, 2026.

Survived by her husband Tracy Butchino, her daughter Heidi and husband John, her son Devin and significant other Kaylee, her daughter Samantha and husband Kemar; her grandchildren Adriane and Kolton; her father Fred Lavene; her brother Bill and wife Jessey and several nieces and nephews. Predeceased by her mother,

Florence M. Lavene.

Tammy was the best mother, sister, "Nonnie" and friend. Guided by her faith, she loved every person she encountered. Tammy accumulated 20+ children throughout her life that she would introduce as her "kids." These were her children's friends. To know Tammy was to love her. "Always Always."

Family and friends are invited to share on-line condolences and memories at [BrownFuneralHome.com](http://BrownFuneralHome.com).

**ROBERT "BOB" WAYNE BUTLER**, 80, of Cadyville, died February 18th at CVPH. Visitation will be February 27th from 5 to 7 at Hamilton Funeral Home, Peru. A Mass will be celebrated February 28th at 11:30 at St. Alexander's Church.

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**Priscilla Chesnut****October 01, 1937 - February 17, 2026**

ELIZABETHTOWN — Priscilla Anne Morris Chesnut passed away in peace at 8:05 a.m. Tuesday morning, Feb. 17, 2026, at Champlain Valley Senior Center in Willsboro, N.Y. She was surrounded by the love and presence of her family and many close friends and tireless caregivers in her "New Home" of the last few years of her life.

Priscilla was born Oct. 1, 1937, at the Elizabethtown, N.Y., hospital to John and Stella Morris who brought her straight

back home to a cabin that was built by her young father's own hands on the east base of Hurricane Mountain in Elizabethtown.

She was raised in the Adirondacks (along with her older brother, Michael, and her soon to arrive sisters, Judith and Candace) and taught to hike, skate, sing, write stories and dream while often laying under the canopy of the trees and wild sky she loved. She would say she was "Mountain Born" and she cherished the Adirondacks, and all that it held, to her dying day.

Priscilla was widowed by her teenage "love of her life," John G. Chesnut, in September of 2011 after over 55 years of a loving marriage.

She and John had four children: John, Sharon, Lee and Daniel, who were raised in a home filled with love, music, laughter, Christian values, the sense of adventure and creativity and a constant supply of hand-made fresh bread, sweet cinnamon rolls, raisin-filled cookies and treats of all kinds like you would find in the best bakery in the "Whole Wide World!"

Priscilla was a gifted artist from a very young age. Inspired by the beauty and wonder of the Adirondacks, she naturally wrote fine poetry and creative stories and journals filled with her thoughts about nature and life around her. She would continue to write throughout her adult life. She was published in a major newspaper out west for her weekly "Priscilla's Corner" in which she would share ideas for raising children and recipes for special treats and thoughts she had on nature and our place in it. She also wrote Christian essays that were published and Sunday School curriculum. She wrote numerous books for her fulfillment that she shared with many she knew: "An Accumulation of Joy" exploring the presence of the Holy Spirit in her life, "I Hear the Music Still" expressing the joy of music she heard in her home and the magic moments of childhood, and "Cherish the Days" recounting her experiences raising her own family of four. These, along with countless other writings were an expression of the heart she had and how she "felt" the world around her.

In 1966, while living for a short period in Orange, Calif., Priscilla took an oil painting class and produced what her family believes are "Masterpieces." Her painting skills would be used throughout her life producing all kinds of visual art that focused on childhood memories in the magic of the Adirondacks.

Priscilla did become somewhat well-known in the area for her art as she produced paintings of the Adirondacks, greeting cards, Christmas ornaments and Valentines Day Cards in amazing quantities. She may be best known for her hand-woven, dyed and hand painted baskets that she sold for many years in the area that she would label "Baskets By Priscilla."

Priscilla's life was always filled with music. She sang in the early hours while vacuuming which her children could never understand how she had so much energy before the sun came up. She decided to learn to play guitar and quickly began leading music in the local church, playing her guitar and singing the

new "Jesus Music" that was becoming popular in the 1970's.

While Priscilla truly loved nature and art, she loved God and her family more intensely and, we feel, even more skillfully, than these wonderful things. She was truly a gift and brought joy to all of her family and countless close friends she developed over her life. She was always joyful. Always loving. Never judgmental. And always, always, an Adirondack, Mountain-Born Girl.

Priscilla is survived by her sisters, Judith Shepard, Candace Kohen, and sister-in-law Carol Morris; her children and their spouses, John and Cheryl Chesnut, Sharon and Jay Haugen, Lee and Sandra Chesnut, Daniel Chesnut; grandchildren and great-grandchildren Stephanie and Drew Chesnut-Coombs (Lucas), Audrey Chesnut (Aidan), Christina Brown, John Chesnut, Melody and Andre Lacey, Kimberly Gray (Brayden and Zoe), Michael and Kelly Haugen (Finn), Jamie and Zack Benson (Radley and Wyatt), Joshua and Carrie Chesnut (Bella, Avonlea, Samuel, Nora), Rebekah and Tom Moffett (Carter, Abigail, Emma), Daniel and Katie Chesnut (Brooklyn), Nathaniel and Daniella Chesnut (Noah, River, Amalie), and Danielle and Josh Vailes (Camden), cousins, and numerous nieces and nephews and numerous grandnieces and nephews.

Priscilla's life was truly enriched by each person in her family and extended family and dear close friends, and she loved each one with all her heart.

Priscilla would often say that she "Carries the Love Forward" that she received from the ones who dearly loved her. Each of us listed here would like to say to her:

"We will carry your love forward to the end of our dying day!"

We love you, Priscilla! And will miss you so very much. But we have the Hope of Heaven and confidence that we will be with you at the reunion celebration with Jesus and once again see you dancing and singing at the top of your lungs!

A funeral service to honor her life will be held on Monday, Feb. 23, 2026, at 11 a.m. at the United Church of Christ in Elizabethtown.

Services were entrusted to Heidrick Funeral Home, PO Box 188, Elizabethtown, NY 12932.

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**DEACON GERALD DEFAYETTE**, 84, died February 17th, at CVPH. Visitation February 20th, 4 to 6 p.m., St. Alexander's Church. A vigil service will follow at 6. A Mass will be celebrated Saturday, February 21st, at 11:30, St. Alexander's. Hamilton FH.

**HUGH DROLLETTE**, 81, Cadyville, passed away Feb. 1, 2026. Born on Feb. 22, 1944. Visitation Thursday, February 5th, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., St. Joseph's Church, Dannemora, followed by funeral Mass at 12 p.m. Arrangements by Walker Funeral Home, Plattsburgh.



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**RONALD E. FISHER**, age 87, of Schuyler Falls, N.Y., passed away at CVPH on Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2026. Arrangements are with the Brown Funeral Home. Arrangements are incomplete at this time.

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**Harold R. Gohlke****June 22, 1943 - January 13, 2026**

PLATTSBURGH — Harold R. Gohlke  
June 22, 1943 - January 13, 2026

With very heavy hearts, we share that Harold Robert "Sonny" Gohlke, of Plattsburgh, died peacefully at age 82 on Jan. 13, 2026. He was born in Watertown, June 22, 1943, to Ida Belle Dubuque Vidock and Harold E.E. Gohlke.

Harold grew up in the Monty Street home of his maternal grandmother, Annabelle Sharland Dubuque, whom he adored and credited for teaching him to be kind. He attended Our Lady of Victory Academy, where he excelled in sports; served in the U.S. Army in Alaska, and worked at Wyeth-Ayerst for 35 years.

He married Nancy Durocher at Our Lady of Victory Church in 1967. For many years, Harold was the original "girl dad." The Gohlkes raised eight children and fostered dozens of others in their home on Grant Street.

Never idle, Harold was skilled in many self-taught hobbies, especially woodworking. People knew they could call on him to fix or build just about anything, and his work was meticulous. He enjoyed music, sang in the OLVA church choir as a young man, and loved taking his kids to midnight Mass on Christmas Eve. He always volunteered to drive for school field trips to Vermont and Canada. He loved to be outdoors and enjoyed playing on The Pizzeria softball team, hunting and fishing in the Adirondacks, and spending time in Willsboro on Lake Champlain with friends and family.

Harold was predeceased by his parents and his grandmother; his wife of 50 years; his favorite aunt, Margaret; his brother, Edward Vidock; sisters Helen, Sandy, Pat, and Marion; his lifelong best friend, Don Yetman, and his golden retriever, Gabby.

Surviving are his children: Kimberly, Kristina, Keri, Karla, Matt, Korissa, Kody, and Herrik, as well as many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Kind and stoic, our Dad was known for his quiet strength; he could control a room full of kids with just a look. He was a polite man who took kindness seriously, and was especially sweet with his daughters. There's really nothing better than being one of Harold's daughters and hearing him call you 'babe.' We're pretty sure he hung the moon, and may have secretly been the real Santa. His cheerful disposition, supportive words, and kind soul are deeply missed.

We leave you with our Dad's best advice: "Be careful, and stay out of trouble. But if you do get into trouble, make sure you have fun."

There will be no public calling hours. A private burial with Military Honors will take place at the convenience of the family.

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**BETTY A. GREGORY** passed away on Saturday, Jan. 24, 2026, at CVPH in Plattsburgh. Arrangements are in the care of the Ross Funeral Home.

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**JOAN HARNISCH**, age 93, passed away on Saturday, Jan. 24, 2026. Arrangements with Brown Funeral Home, Plattsburgh.

**DONNA F. HOLT**, 88, of Plattsburgh, passed away Monday, February 16th, at the Clinton County Nursing home with her loving family by her side. Arrangements are incomplete with the Chateaugay Funeral Home. Full obituary will be published later.

J

## Richard H. Johnson

August 27, 1948 - January 24, 2026



TERRE HAUTE — Richard "Dick" Johnson, 77, of Beekman Street, Plattsburgh, passed away on Saturday, Jan. 24, 2026, at the UVM-CVPH Health Network. With his wife by his side, he fought a long battle with Lewy-Body dementia and Parkinson's disease. He was born in Plattsburgh on Aug. 27, 1948, the son of the late Daisy and Harmon Johnson. Dick graduated from Plattsburgh High School and SUNY Canton, and served in the Army Reserves. He

owned and operated, along with his brother Dan, Johnson's Auto Glass & Trim for over 50 years. Dick excelled at everything he did, whether it be skiing, motocross, broomball (Johnson's), softball (Psychos), or golf.

His true passion however, was that of flight. He acquired his private pilot's license and took to the skies. He would go on to build experimental aircraft and powered parachutes in his hangar on Cumberland Head. He was always offering a ride to those who dared. "Remember, risks are not taken to escape life, but rather to stop life from escaping us." -RJ.

Dick was predeceased by his parents, his brother Dan, and his wife Debra, and two nephews, Scott and Brenton Johnson. Dick is survived by his best friend and wife Sally, his nephew Kristopher Johnson and his wife Donna of Charlotte, N.C., his in-laws Niki Lawliss and her husband Russell of Plattsburgh, N.Y., Connie Montinarello of Rochester, N.Y., Jeff LaChapelle and his wife Melissa of Pensacola, Fla., and Sue Carpenter of Plattsburgh, N.Y.

Several extended family members also survive him, along with his life-long friend Tom Gale and his wife Debi.

A celebration of life and story telling will be held on Sunday, Feb. 22, 2026, at 3 p.m. at Meron's Restaurant.

Donations may be made to the Northeast Chapter of the Alzheimer's Disease (Caregiver's Support Initiative), or the Interfaith Food Shelf.

Fly high, my love.

K

## David Henry King

March 23, 1928 - February 15, 2026

SCHENECTADY — David H. King, 97, of Schenectady, passed Feb. 15, 2026. Born in Plattsburgh in 1928, he was the son of the late Lawrence and Lena (Corron) King. Services will be private. Arrangements entrusted to The White Funeral Home, Scotia. For more information or to share a memory, please visit [www.sbfuneralhome.com](http://www.sbfuneralhome.com).

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**DAVID LABOMBARD**, 77, Ellenburg Center, passed away Feb. 17, 2026. Visitation on Friday, February 20th, from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Rabideau Funeral Home, Ellenburg. A funeral Mass will take place Saturday, 11 a.m., in St. Edmund's Church, Ellenburg.

## Eunice J. LeClair

September 12, 1941 - February 16, 2026



PLATTSBURGH — On Feb. 16, 2026, Eunice J. LeClair, 84, of Plattsburgh, passed away peacefully at home with her loving family surrounding her. Eunice fought a five-year battle with Vascular Dementia.

Born in Plattsburgh, N.Y., she was the daughter of the late Joseph and Mary (King) Defayette.

Surviving Eunice is her loving husband of 63 years, Gordon; they were married on Oct. 20, 1962, in St. Peter's Church. She is survived by her children, Kathryn (Tim) Frederick, Sara (Jim) Spring and Andrew (Lynn) LeClair, two grandchildren, Rachel Frederick (Kevin Hutchins) and Zachary Frederick. One brother-in-law Robert Zuck and two sisters-in-law, Evelyn Defayette and Julie Defayette along with many nieces and nephews also survive.

Eunice was predeceased by her siblings: Regina (Clifford) Rollier; Remie (Dora) Defayette; Catherine (Ambrose) Kipp; Anita Topnick; Gilbert (Arlene) Defayette; George (Jane) Defayette; Roseanna Zuck;



Roger (Carolyn) Defayette; Clifford Defayette.

Eunice was a devout Catholic; her religion was of utmost importance to her. She enjoyed rides to Mother Cabrini's Shrine in Peru. Eunice wanted to be a stay-at-home mom until her children were in school. This was important to her and she accomplished this. She was also a talented seamstress which included knitting, crocheting, needlepoint and quilting. Eventually she became interested in cake decorating as she wanted her children to have a nice birthday cake. In time she had a successful cake business that also included teaching classes at Clinton Community College.

We would like to thank the following agencies in caring for our mom. Without their help we would not have been able to keep mom at home. They are as follows: North Country Home

Health Services: Lisa, Liz, Melissa, Dorothy, Madison, Linda and Kate. Hospice of the North Country: Becky, Ashley, Jenn and Jess. Plattsburgh State's Alzheimer's Association: Nick, Mikayla, Tina and Heidi.

Calling hours will be held on Friday, February 20th, from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Brown Funeral Home. A Mass of Christian burial will be held on Saturday, February 21st, at 10 a.m. at St. Peter's Church in Plattsburgh.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her name to the following: Covenant House, St. Jude Children's Hospital or Hospice of the North Country.

Family and friends are invited to share on-line condolences and memories at [BrownFuneralHome.com](http://BrownFuneralHome.com)

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**JOAN MERRILL**, 75, of Plattsburgh, passed away February 16th. Calling hours from 4 to 6 p.m. on Thursday, February 19th, at Walker Funeral Home, Plattsburgh. Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Friday, February 20th, St. John's Church, Plattsburgh.

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## Barbara Jean (Copeland) Perry

June 21, 1942 - February 05, 2026



PERU — Barbara Copeland Perry passed away peacefully on Feb. 5th, 2026, surrounded by her loving family, after a long battle with cancer and kidney disease. The love of her life, her husband Roy Edwin Perry (93), her daughter Jennifer Kristen Perry Shingelo (56), her son, Jason Colin Perry (54), and her sister, Nancy Copeland Hughes were at her bedside at Meadowbrook Healthcare in Plattsburgh, N.Y., when she left her earthly life to begin her next adventure.

Barbara lived life joyfully and to the fullest. She was known for her beautiful smile, her kindness, her love of science and nature, and her dedication to her family and large circle of friends. She shared this love of science with many students over her 35 years of teaching to middle and high school students in the towns of Peru, Westport, and Plattsburgh, N.Y.

She retired from teaching life science at Stafford Middle School in Plattsburgh, N.Y., on June 24, 1998, having inspired many future scientists/doctors/teachers. She was most proud of her student-produced projects such as the "Cell-a-Vision" (YouTube link) video where students played parts of cells in soap opera and game show scenarios. Her students' LIFEFX music video (1996) about protein synthesis made its way to the head of the Human Genome Project at the National Institutes of Health. She was subsequently invited to the National Genetics Conference in June 1996 to screen it for attendees as an example of an innovative way to teach science to middle and high schoolers.

Barbara was born to George Rogers Copeland and Ruth Foljambe Copeland, MD, in Ticonderoga, N.Y., on June 21, 1942. She was valedictorian of her Peru Central High School class in 1960, and went on to graduate from the University of Rochester with a bachelor's in Biology in 1964. She worked in cancer re-

search at Roswell Park in Rochester, N.Y., before returning to the North Country to receive her master's degree in Education from SUNY Plattsburgh in 1968.

Barbara met Roy Perry in 1966 and they fell in love while skiing at Whiteface Mountain, sailing on Lake Champlain, and enjoying other outdoor activities in the Adirondacks. They married in the Peru Community Church on June 17, 1967. The Perry family were active members of the Peru Community Church, where they contributed greatly to church life and its members. Barbara was still in regular attendance up until her death.

Service and spiritual growth were integral to Barbara's life. After retirement, she volunteered her time with the local NAMI chapter (National Alliance for the Mentally Ill) by giving workshops for people living with mental health challenges. Barbara lived with bipolar disorder herself, and she courageously used her life lessons to help others with similar challenges. She turned what could have been a reason for giving up on life into a life-affirming service to others and their families. Barbara also went on to become a Presbyterian lay preacher and spent several years preaching in churches all over Clinton County, sharing her wisdom and strength with her community.

After her diagnosis with stage IV ovarian cancer in 2017, Barbara took it on as a new learning opportunity for herself and stayed positive throughout her difficult treatments. She made many new friends among her treatment providers, and often astonished her doctors with her longevity and quality of life against the odds. Most recently, Barbara found great healing from participating in the FitzPatrick Cancer Center's Nature-Based Approach to Living Beyond Cancer which facilitated walks and horticultural therapy at Point au Roche State Park. Friends from this group as well as from her Women's Circle were loved and appreciated.

Barbara is survived by her husband, Roy E. Perry of Peru, N.Y., her two children, Jennifer Perry Shingelo, son-in-law, Ronnie Shingelo, and granddaughter, Chloe Shingelo of Pearl River, N.Y.; as well as her son, Jason Perry and daughter-in-law Susie Weller, of Athens, Ga. She is also survived by her sister Nancy Copeland Hughes and brother-in-law Robert Hughes, who reside in their childhood home in Valcour, N.Y., as well as many loving nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her two elder brothers, James R. Copeland and Edmund S. Copeland.

A celebration of Barbara's life will be held on what would be her 84th birthday, on June 21st, 2026, at 2 p.m. at the Peru Community Church in Peru, N.Y. A reception will follow in the church's Fellowship Center.

In lieu of flowers, donations to NAMI or the FitzPatrick Cancer Center at CVPH are welcomed.

Arrangements are in the care of the Hamilton Funeral Home, 294 Mannix Road, Peru, 518-643-9055. To make a floral purchase, offer an online condolence, share a symbolic gesture, or share a photo in memory of Barb Perry please visit [www.hamiltonfuneralhome.com](http://www.hamiltonfuneralhome.com)

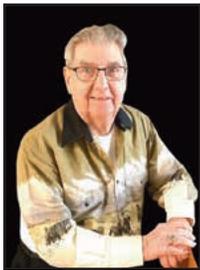
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**MICHAEL PATTNO**, 86, passed away on Feb. 15, 2026. A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at Holy Name Church in Au Sable Forks on February 26th, at 11 a.m. with burial to follow at Holy Name Cemetery.

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## Martin Joseph Rabideau

March 03, 1939 - February 19, 2026



MALONE — Martin (Marty) Joseph Rabideau, 86, of Malone, N.Y., passed away peacefully on Feb. 19, 2026. Born March 3, 1939, in Malone, he was a lifelong resident of the area. He married his high school sweetheart, Audrey Jean (Dupree) Rabideau, on July 4, 1959, with whom he shared sixty-six years of marriage.

Marty grew up on a farm in Burke and, after graduating from Chateaugay Central School, began his career working on the barges at St. Lawrence Seaway. He later moved to Brainardsville, where he purchased the family dairy farm and operated several entrepreneurial ventures, including selling Christmas trees and vegetables from the farm. He founded Rabideau Grocery Store and Rabideau Construction and, upon relocating to Malone, became the owner of the Pub/OTB.

He served as Assemblyman for the Township of Bellmont and was a member of the American Legion, actively supporting veterans. Marty was an avid fan of horse racing, the New York Yankees, and the New England Patriots. He also enjoyed traveling and bowling.

He was predeceased by his parents, William Rabideau and Lena (Lawliss) Rabideau, his fifteen siblings, in-laws Roy Dupree and Rita (Dumont Dupree) Rock, and two grandchildren, Michael Harris and Daniel Harris.

He is survived by his wife, Audrey Jean (Dupree) Rabideau; daughters Darla Jean Harris (David) of Baton Rouge, La., Rhonda Lee Hilts (Donnie) of Zephyrhills, Fla., Wendy Lou Reil of Plattsburgh, N.Y.; son Dean Martin Rabideau (Cheryl) of Hopewell Junction, N.Y.; grandchildren Rex Harris, Derek Hilts, Devin Hilts, Sean Reil, Chelsie Reil, Jake Rabideau, Michael Zeoli, Kyle Zeoli, Brandon Zeoli; and eight great-grandchildren.

The family extends their gratitude to the staff at Alice Hyde Hospital for their compassionate care.

A viewing will be held at Saint Mary-Murphy-Wilcox Funeral Home in Malone, N.Y., from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, June 6, 2026, and graveside service will follow at St. George's Cemetery in Burke, N.Y.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to a charity of your choice.

Online condolences may be offered at [www.chateaugayfuneralhome.com](http://www.chateaugayfuneralhome.com).

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## Jacob Ryan Rivers

March 25, 1984 - January 23, 2026



PLATTSBURGH — Jacob Ryan Rivers passed away tragically in an automobile accident on Jan. 23, 2026, at the age of 41. Born on March 25, 1984, Jacob lived a life defined by loyalty, strength, generosity, and a personality that filled every room he entered.

Jacob is survived by his loving parents, Steven and Cheryl Rivers; his sister, Megan Rivers; and his beloved 14-year-old daughter, Addilyn Louise Rivers, who was the light of his life and his greatest pride. Being her father was Jacob's most treasured role, and his love for her was unwavering and boundless. He is survived by Addilyn's mother, Jill Pedulla. He is also survived by Reese LeMay, with whom he formed a special and meaningful bond in just six short months—a testament to Jacob's immense heart and the love he gave so freely. He also leaves behind his cherished aunt Tammy, as well as many other aunts, uncles, cousins, and dear friends.

Jacob graduated from Beekmantown Central School in 2002 before continuing his education at Norwich University, where he proudly competed on the wrestling team. He earned his degree in Physical Education in 2007, a reflection of both his discipline and his desire to work with and mentor others.

A lifelong electrician with more than 23 years of experience serving his local community, Jacob took great pride in his trade and the relationships he built through his work. He later brought that same dedication to teaching, spending two years at BOCES instructing young students in the electrical trade—leaving a lasting impression on those who were fortunate enough to learn from him.

Jake possessed the kindest heart, paired with the spirit of a fierce protector. If you were a friend to Jake once, you were a friend forever. Loyal, loud, and larger than life, he loved deeply and lived fully, creating memories that will be cherished by all who knew him.

Jacob has been reunited in heaven with his beloved sisters, Stephanie Ann and Marcy Lynn, along with his paternal grandparents, Lawrence and Dolores Rivers, and his maternal grandmother, Elizabeth Ann Shepard. He is also joined there by his loving companion, Kendall LeMay.

To those select few who understand it, the phrase "brown brown, cow down" will forever bring a smile—and a reminder of Jacob's unique spirit and the bond he shared with those closest to him.

Jacob's legacy lives on in the countless lives he touched through friendship, mentorship, laughter, and love. He will be deeply missed and forever remembered.

Visitation will be held Monday, Feb. 2, 2026, from 3 to 6 p.m. at the R.W. Walker Funeral Home in Plattsburgh. A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated Tuesday, February 3rd, at 10 a.m. at St. Peter's Church in Plattsburgh. Burial will be at a later date in St. Peter's cemetery in the spring.

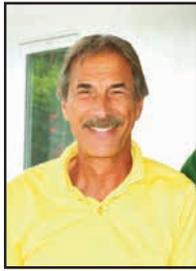
To those unable to attend Jacob's Mass in person, you may join virtually via Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81864186237?wd=ZDnbubaUXqUMnHKpPG8R2MKgGwQpWc.1> Passcode: 02032026, Meeting ID: 818 6418 6237.

To share a condolence, story, or photo with the family please visit, [www.rwwalkerfh.com](http://www.rwwalkerfh.com).

Arrangements have been entrusted into the care of the R.W. Walker Funeral Home and Cremation Service, 69 Court Street, Plattsburgh, N.Y.

## Jerry L. Rosenbaum

June 24, 1953 - January 18, 2026



NAPLES — Jerry L. Rosenbaum, 72, of Naples, Fla., and Plattsburgh, passed away peacefully under hospice care on Sunday, Jan. 18, 2026, in Naples. Jerry was a proud three-time cancer survivor but in the end his body succumbed to side effects of the treatments.

He was born on June 24, 1953, in Plattsburgh, the son of Burton and Joyce (Smith) Rosenbaum. He grew up in Elizabethtown and attended SUNY Plattsburgh. He married Helene Duquette on Aug. 13, 1977, in Mooers, N.Y.

Together they raised three children and were married just shy of 50 years.

Jerry was a real estate appraiser and owned Adirondack Appraisal Services in Plattsburgh for 40 years. He began his work in real estate in the late 1970's working for Clinton County. He then became Town of Plattsburgh Assessor in the early 1980's and eventually started his business from home working nights and weekends. Helene started helping out with clerical work and eventually got her appraiser license as well. They worked together appraising from their home office for over 30 years. In recent years they slowed down with work and spent winters in Naples where they found their Florida family through neighbors and pickleball.

While the kids were in school, you could find Jerry videotaping their various games from the press box, usually freezing his baguettes off. And when he wasn't videotaping, then he'd be driving the whole family in the RV to some far off destination, white knuckling it through traffic or some narrow mountain pass in the Rockies. One of Jerry's many hobbies was building backyard bobsled tracks for the kids, enduring multiple hernias himself, with Helene and the kids enduring multiple concussions as the test drivers. Jerry loved golf as many knew and finally realized his ultimate dream of a hole in one in February 2024. Jerry never turned down a diner breakfast or lunch and according to him a lot of work could get done over a greasy meal. Jerry was known by many names including: J-Ro, sliver stash, spider monkey and mac the mechanic. Always with a smile under that silver stash and a quick-witted comment, Jerry will be missed dearly, but remembered for the truly good person that he was.

Survivors include his wife, Helene Rosenbaum; children, Aaron (Tanya) Rosenbaum, Derek (Alison) Rosenbaum, Gena (Gaelan) Trombley; grandchildren Connor, Madeline, Krew, Oaklyn, Penn and Zeke; his brother Randy; and his canine companion Zoey (or as he'd say, his other french blond).

The family will hold a private service. A celebration of life for all friends and family is being planned for later this spring/summer.

To share a memory or condolence with the family, please visit [www.rwwalkerfh.com](http://www.rwwalkerfh.com).

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## Sandra Lee Sample

September 21, 1944 - February 11, 2026



MOOERS FORKS — Sandra Lee Sample, 81, passed away on Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2026, at UVM Health Network-CVPH in Plattsburgh, surrounded by her loving family.

Sandy was born on Sept. 21, 1944, the fifth child of Elricka (Frenyea) and Austin Lamberton. She was a lifelong resident of Mooers Forks, N.Y. After graduating from Mooers Central School, she was employed at Ayerst Laboratories and later worked for over 20 years at Sample Lumber Company.

Sandy was a devoted member of the Mooers Fire Department Auxiliary and the Ladies of St. Ann's Church for many years. She generously gave her time helping to raise funds by working in their food booths and serving customers with her warm smile.

On June 27, 1964, she married the love of her life, Alton "Ally" Sample. Together they shared 61 wonderful years of marriage and were blessed with three sons:

Stephen (Dina), Gregory (Kathleen), and Kevin (Heidi).

Sandy was a proud and loving grandmother to Taylor (Michael), Jacob (Rebecca), Jordan, Kalie (Nicholas), Abbie (Nico), Marlie, Jack, and Maggie. She was also blessed with her first great-grandson, Brooks, who brought her so much joy. She cherished her many nieces and nephews, each of whom held a special place in her heart.

Her greatest pride and joy was her family. Sandy lovingly sewed quilts, crocheted, knitted, baked cookies, and happily took on any project requested by her loved ones. Family gatherings on Friday nights with Chef Boyardee pizza and shoestring fries, family favorites macaroni and tomatoes, scotcheroos, pumpkin chocolate chip cookies, and nun farts were staples at every special gathering.

Sandy and Ally enjoyed wintering in Florida, starting with two-week trips that eventually evolved into two-month stays each year. After retiring, they continued traveling to visit relatives and built lasting friendships at The Oaks in Kissimmee, where they created a cherished Florida "family."

In addition to her parents, Sandy was predeceased by her sister, Janice Sargeant; sisters-in-law, Almira and Janet Lamberton; stepbrothers, Harold (Trudy) and Donald (Irene) Lamberton; stepsister, Evelyn (Larry) Richards; brothers-in-law, Donald Rabideau, David Jr., Bruce, George, and Roger Sample; and sisters-in-law, Norma Rabideau and Denise Sample.

She is survived by her devoted husband of 61 years, Alton "Ally" Sample; her brothers, Robert, Harry "Dick," and James (Beverly) Lamberton; her sisters, Betty (Lucien) Duquette and Carol (Walter) Hamilton; and several nieces and nephews whom she loved dearly.

In honor of Sandy's wishes, there will be no calling hours. A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated on Saturday, February 14th, at 11 a.m. at St. Ann's Church in Mooers Forks. Burial will take place in the parish cemetery in the spring. Following the Mass, a Celebration of Sandy's Life will be held at the Brookside Barn in Altona, N.Y.

Memorial donations in Sandy's memory may be made to the Mooers Fire Department or St. Ann's Church.

Arrangements are in the care of the Hamilton Funeral Home, 793 Gilbert Road, Mooers, 518-236-4747. To make a floral purchase, offer an online condolence, share a symbolic gesture, or share a photo in memory of Sandy Sample please visit [www.hamiltonfuneralhome.com](http://www.hamiltonfuneralhome.com)

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## Ann Gloria Shane

June 16, 1932 - January 26, 2026

NORTH OGDEN — Ann G. Shane, age 93, of North Ogden, Utah, passed away on Jan. 26, 2026, at McKay-Dee Hospital in Ogden, Utah.

Ann was born June 16, 1932, in Globe, Ariz.

Ann married Ronald H. Shane, on Aug. 7, 1954, in Tucson, Ariz. After many military assignments, their last assignment was at Plattsburgh AFB, N.Y. Their final family home was in Peru, N.Y.

Ann is survived by her children Patrick, Kathleen, and Michael, along with grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Ann's ashes will be placed with her husband at Gerald B.H. Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery in upstate New York.

## Ann Schlesinger Sheppard

October 26, 1941 - January 19, 2026



SANTA ROSA — Ann (Schlesinger) Sheppard passed away on Jan. 19, 2026. Ann was born in Plattsburgh, N.Y., on Oct. 26, 1941, to Caroline J. (Schiff) and Leonard Schlesinger, M.D. Ann is mourned by husband Asher Sheppard; siblings Mark Schlesinger and Lynn Schlesinger; daughters Eva and Julia, son Abraham, and beloved sons-in-law, grandsons, nieces and nephews. Ann was predeceased by her parents and brother-in-law Jonathan Nizel.

A celebration of life will be held at 1 p.m., Feb. 8th, 2026, Temple Beth Israel, 1 Bowman St. (zoom link available on Temple website). Contributions in Ann's memory may be made to Temple Beth Israel or any charity dedicated to joy, health, or education. Full obituary at [www.legacy.com](http://www.legacy.com).

## Gladys St. Louis

June 10, 1943 - February 11, 2026



ALBANY — Gladys St. Louis, 82, passed away on Feb. 11, 2026. Calling hours will be held on Friday, February 20th, from 4 to 7 p.m. at New Comer Cremations and Funerals, 343 New Karner Rd., Colonie, NY 12205. A Mass of Christian burial will be held on Saturday, February 21st, at 10 a.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 35 Adams Pl, Delmar, NY 12054. To view the whole obituary or leave a special message for the family online, please visit [www.NewcomerAlbany.com](http://www.NewcomerAlbany.com)







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