



## Randolph "Randy" Staats

May 31, 1949 - January 15, 2026

Randolph J. "Randy" Staats, 76, of Claverack, passed away Thursday January 15, 2026 in the comfort of his home. Born May 31, 1949 in Hudson, NY, he is the son of John and Virginia (Wright) Staats. Upon graduation from high school, Randy served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War, earning a Vietnam Service Medal with 2 Bronze Stars. He was Honorably Discharged in 1969. Randy was a truck driver for the Columbia County Department of Public Works, from which he retired. Randy was truly committed to service throughout Columbia County. His involvement with the Hudson Elks Lodge #787, The Federation of Polish Sportsmen, American Legion Post #184, and VFW Post #1314 was beyond measure. Working at Bingo nights, coin drops on Fairview Ave., organizing parades, and placing flags and flowers on Veteran's graves, Randy was always there, passionate about honoring fellow service men and women. Randy was aide to two VFW State of New York Commanders.

Randy is survived by his wife Cathy, daughters Becky Staats and Kelley Nemecek and their families, along with grandchildren, great grandchildren and a large extended family. Randy is also survived by his siblings Yvonne Simmons and Wayne Staats.

Visitation at the Bates & Anderson-Redmond & Keeler Funeral Home will be Friday January 30, 2026 from 10:00am-12:00pm. Interment will follow in Cedar Park Cemetery.



# Previous Events

## Visitation Hours

JAN **30**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Bates & Anderson - Redmond & Keeler  
110 Green Street  
Hudson, NY 12534  
(518) 828-3371  
<http://batesandersonredmondkeeler.com>

# Tribute Wall

WK

“ *May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind be always at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face, the rain fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of his hand.. Rest in peace my friend. Kappy*

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**WILLIAM J KAPPEL** - January 30 at 05:31 PM

DC

“ *We are sending our deepest sympathy to you, Cathy, and your family. Randy will be missed by many for he was such a great man. Don and Carol Mackey*



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**Don & Carol** - January 28 at 10:25 PM

SA

“ *steve tell ( son of Harry Anthony) lit a candle in memory of Randolph Staats*



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**steve tell ( son of Harry Anthony)** - January 23 at 03:19 PM

DW

“ *Kelley, Rebecca, and family—  
I am so sorry for the loss of your dad. He always greeted me with the biggest smile and a warm hug whenever I saw him. May he rest in peace alongside Uncle Jim and all the friends who went before him.*

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**Dawn Williams** - January 21 at 03:43 PM

TC

*I'm so sorry for your loss. My condolences 🙏.  
Randy was a great friend when I needed one at a very difficult time in my life.*

**Tamie Copland** - January 22 at 11:59 AM

CR

*Kelley and Family, sad to hear of your dad's passing, I hope u can find peace and strength. And may he Rest In Peace..*

**Crickett Rockfeller** - January 22 at 08:20 PM

DM

*I am so sorry for the loss of Randy. My thoughts and prayers goes out to the family and friends. Randy was friends with me and my late husband Michael years ago. I just saw the two of them over a year ago at the Elks Lodge, I believe it was and the one that's here in kinderhook it was so nice to see him after a long time. I am so sorry my thoughts and prayers goes out to everybody and hugs. He always makes you laugh always made you smile we matter fact we all both together even Friday nights he was a good person caring person, loving person. 💜  
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**Debbie moore** - January 23 at 11:38 AM

MB

*Cathy and family, So very sorry for your loss. You're in my thoughts and prayers. Marilyn Burke*

**Marilyn Burke** - January 24 at 07:59 PM