



William Edward VanAllen

January 4, 1943 - May 22, 2026

William Edward Van Allen, of Claverack, passed away peacefully on the Feast of St. Rita of Cassia, May 22, 2026. The son of Edgar E. Van Allen and Lucille H. Henderson, William was born on January 4, 1943 in Hudson, NY. He was preceded in death by: his parents; two sisters, Louise Van Allen and Gloria Raymond; brother, Richard Van Allen; brothers-in-law, Stewart Raymond, Paul Zito and Samuel "Sammy" Zito. William is survived by: his wife of 57 years, Barbara A. (Bryan) Van Allen of Claverack; daughter, Lynn A. Van Allen of Canaan; son, Michael W. Van Allen of Claverack; sister, Elizabeth Zito of Ghent; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Joseph A. (Mary Lou) Bryan of Gloversville; grandsons, Liam A. Morgenstern and Thorin Brutsch-Mason; and many nieces and nephews.

William served as a Specialist in the United States Army (1961-1964) and was stationed in France and Germany. He was employed as a roofer with Hawver & Ewasick Roofing of Hudson, and a mill worker with Archer Daniels Midland Milling of Greenport. He found joy in the simple pleasures of life. An avid gardener, he spent many hours finding peace with his hands in the earth. His other joys included: watching sci-fi movies, listening to AM radio, visiting with friends at local haunts, sharing homegrown seedlings and fresh produce, tinkering in his workshop, hosting backyard B-B-Q's, playing with his many cats and dogs, hunting, fishing, watching wildlife, baking and cooking. William's plain-and-simple faith in God's almighty providence, wry humor, many colorful expressions, rhymes, unproven theories concerning

extraterrestrial life, and rather direct style of socio-political commentary will not soon be forgotten. He will be greatly missed by his family and all who knew and loved him.

Graveside prayers of committal and interment of William's ashes will take place in the family plot of the Stuyvesant Falls Cemetery on June 15, 2026 at 10:00am with The Very Rev. Msgr. Dr. Anthony M. Barratt, V.F., officiating; The Rev. Winston L. Bath, The Rev. Daniel McHale, The Rev. Alexander Turpin, and The Rev. Stephen Yusko, assisting.

Cemetery Details

Stuyvesant Falls Cemetery

1620 Route 9
Hudson, NY 12534

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUN 15. 10:00 AM.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara & Family, sorry to hear about Bill's passing, my prayers are with all of you.*

Shirley DeJoy



Carol Rouse-Lewicki - May 29 at 08:50 AM



“ *Barbara & Family, so sorry to hear the news about Bill. So many memories, our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.*

Carol Rouse-Lewicki - May 29 at 08:46 AM