

Allan Hugh Gillespie

July 22, 1926 - June 6, 2021

Guilford – Allan Hugh Gillespie, 94, passed away June 6, 2021 at the Baptist Health and Rehabilitation Center. Born in Albany, he was the son of the late Francis and Katherine George Gillespie. Al served his country honorably in the United States Navy during WWII. He was predeceased by his beloved wife Hope in 2009, and his brother Donald M. Gillespie.

Al was a liquor salesman and representative for Seagram's and Graves & Rodgers for many years before his retirement. He enjoyed spending time with friends and family at the campsite he and his wife held at Birch Haven Campground on Sacandaga Lake, where he loved to fish and boat.

Al was known for his kind, friendly, grateful manner, and sense of humor. He was liked by all that knew him.

Al is survived by his children Don, Gary (Mary Ellen) and Susan Suddard (Kevin), grandchildren Sean, Kimberly, and Erin McCarthy, Patrick (Anna), Bryan, and Cory Gillespie, great grandchildren Tyler McCarthy, Isabella Donadio, Ryan and Evan Gillespie.

Relatives and friends are invited and may visit with Al's family on Thursday, June 10, 2021 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm in the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany, NY 12206. Please only enter the funeral home from the rear parking lot entrance; unvaccinated people must wear a mask and socially distance.

A Funeral Service honoring Al's life will be held on Friday, June 11, 2021 at 10:30 am from the McVeigh Funeral Home. The Rite of Interment will immediately follow at Prospect Hill Cemetery, Guilderland where he will be reunited with his beloved Hope.

To leave Al's family a message on their guestbook, obtain directions, or view other helpful services, please visit www.mcveighfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Prospect Hill Cemetery

Western Ave
Guilderland, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 10. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Allan Hugh Gillespie*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - June 10, 2021 at 11:36 AM



“ *Allan Hugh Gillespie*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *My husband and I met Al back in 1972 when we joined a mixed bowling league at Westlawn Bowling Alley. We were put on different teams and I had the good fortune of being on a team with Al. I knew no one on the team and wasn't very good but Al welcomed me and constantly offered encouragement and protected me from the often too serious bowlers. He also was so kind and had a great sense of humor and over the years I would run into him around Town and he always greeted me with that warm smile and inquired how we were doing. Our sincere sympathy to your family, Mike and Jean Marie Cole*

Jean Marie Cole - June 10, 2021 at 03:01 PM

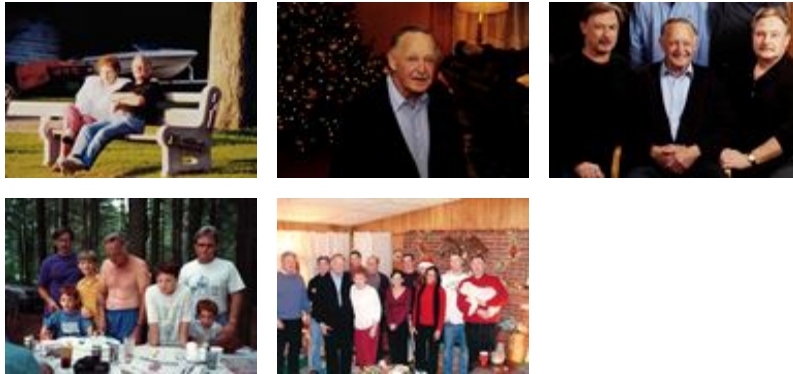
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“ Dear Donald, So sorry to hear of your brother's passing. Losing family is never easy. It's like where did those years go. Thinking of you at this difficult time. "Hang in there Sport". On a lighter note, Why did Alan's family put you as deceased in the newspaper? Are you not on speaking terms or did Joyce not tell me you're no longer with us? LOL

Patricia Santandrea - June 10, 2021 at 10:54 AM



“ 72 files added to the album Life Tributes



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - June 09, 2021 at 04:33 PM

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“ We sure have a lifetime of memories of this wonderful man. From childhood and throughout our adulthood, Mr Gillespie was always so engaging with all our friends in the neighborhood, loving in our lives as adults and always caring about our parents and families. He and Mrs Gillespie were very special people to our Frank family particularly, friends with my parents with a parental caring for me. He sure meant a lot to me throughout my life and with Cathy and I together.

From us kids playing in the backyard, on the streets of our neighborhood or at our ballgames, laughing together at old TV shows, times camping on Sacandaga Lake, dinners out in birthday or wedding celebration, and an occasional visit to the Casino; Mr Gillespie was always the best with a welcome smile and a dry wit to brighten the day.

“Fudge” was one of my many nicknames that he loved and would call me with an endearing smile on his face and in his eyes. Well rest in peace to a wonderful man with a rich life of family, friends and neighbors... from Fudge. You have been loved and will surely be missed.

Our sincerest sympathies to Donnie, Gary and Susan and your families. We have all those memories to cherish.

*Love,
Ron and Cathy Frank*

Ron Frank - June 09, 2021 at 02:07 PM

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“ Sue & Family,

I'm sorry for your loss. I'm praying for all of you. My God give you strength & comfort.

Sue Tarbox

Susan Tarbox - June 09, 2021 at 08:39 AM

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“ Sue I am so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Jackie Earley - June 09, 2021 at 08:01 AM