



Edmund B. Wutzer

April 19, 1936 - November 26, 2023

Loudonville, NY – Edmund Benno Wutzer, 87, died Sunday, November 26, 2023, at St. Peter’s Hospital after a brief illness. Born in Philadelphia, PA, he was the first-born son of the late Sebastian and Mary Kirmeier Wutzer. He graduated from St. Peter the Apostle School in Philadelphia before attending high school at St. Mary’s Seminary in Northeast Pennsylvania. He received a B.A. in Sociology in 1958 from LaSalle University and an M.A. in Sociology and Correctional Administration in 1960 from the University of Notre Dame.

In 1959, he enlisted as a soldier in the U.S. Army Reserve where he achieved the rank of Colonel in his 17th year of 32 years of service. At the start, he served in the 815th Station Hospital in Malone, NY, and then the Medical Service Corp for the 376th Combat Support Hospital in Liverpool, NY. He transferred to the 8th Medical Brigade in Fort Hamilton in NYC serving as the Chief of Staff before retiring in 1991. During his tenure at Fort Hamilton, Colonel Wutzer along with 30 U.S. officers participated in medical planning conferences with representatives from NATO and the 7th Medical Command in the Munich Military Medical Academy.

Ed met his wife Carol Keller in 1956 in Philadelphia and they married in 1960, raising a family together. He and Carol enjoyed going to the Jersey Shore every year with extended family, traveling to Hawaii and taking various Caribbean Cruises. Taking care of his family was his main priority during his

lifetime.

Mr. Wutzer began his career for the State of New York in 1958 as a Field Parole Officer and Institutional Parole Officer for the New York State Division of Parole in Dannemora, NY. In 1965, he transferred to the New York State Division of Probation in Syracuse, NY rising through the ranks from Area Administrator to Deputy Director for Field Operations. In 1983, he was appointed by then Governor Mario Cuomo to Director for the New York State Division of Probation. He completed his career as the Director for the New York State Division of Probation and Correctional alternatives. In retirement, he worked for an additional 20 years for the NYS Sheriff's Institute, Inc. as the Director of Victim Notification Services bringing VINE, the nation's leading victim notification network, to New York State; retiring for a second time in 2020.

He was involved in various professional organizations and charities during his career including the Governor's Criminal Justice Sub-Cabinet, the National Council on Crime and Delinquency, the John Jay College of Criminal Justice Advisory Board, and the NYS Council of Probation Administrators. He was a founding member and past president of the NYS Probation and Parole Officers Association and a Board Member of the St. Peter the Apostle School in Philadelphia helping to raise funds to support the school and church.

He is survived by his devoted wife Carol of 63 years; his children, John (Brenda) Wutzer; Elaine (Pat) Taylor and Theresa (Jim) Moore; four grandchildren including Michael (Jessica) Wutzer; Steven (Amanda) Wutzer; Alexis Hormovitis (fiancé Richard Drake III); and Scott Taylor; and three great grandchildren Kellan, Graham, and Sebastian Wutzer. He is also survived by his siblings Betty (Alan) Hans and John (Barbara) Wutzer along with several nieces and nephews.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Ed's family Thursday, November 30, 2023 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm at McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany, NY 12206. Please enter the funeral home from the rear parking lot entrance only.

Funeral services Friday, December 1, 2023 at 11:30 am at St. Pius X Church, Loudonville, NY where his Funeral Mass will be celebrated.

The Rite of Committal will be held at Most Holy Redeemer Cemetery, Niskayuna, NY immediately following the Mass.

To leave a message for the family please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Peter the Apostle School, 1009 N Fifth St Philadelphia, PA 19123 <https://www.stpetertheapostleschool.com/support/igivecatholic>.

Cemetery Details

Most Holy Redeemer Cemetery

2501 Troy Road
Niskayuna, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 30. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.
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Albany, NY 12206
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Service

DEC 1. 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Pius X Church
23 Crumitie Rd
Loudonville, NY 12211
(518) 462-1336

Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Edmund B. Wutzer*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - November 29, 2023 at 04:32 PM

EK

Wonderful tribute to a wonderful man!

Eleanor Wutzer Kumpka - November 30, 2023 at 03:29 AM

SC

Such a wonderful legacy! 💕🙏

Sr. Robert Rita CSJ - December 04, 2023 at 11:56 AM

BP

“ *My prayers to Ed's beautiful family. I knew Ed through our work and admired his family oriented approach to life and his zest for life as well. May his soul be in God's hands and I wish peace and warm memories to all of his family. Bill Paquette*

Bill Paquette - March 18, 2024 at 02:31 PM

KH

“ *Colonel Wutzer was my Commanding Officer at the 376th Combat Support Hospital. I admired him for his professionalism, but more so for his kindness and compassion for others. He was a good man.*

Kathleen Hughes - December 28, 2023 at 10:01 AM

JG

“ *Carole and Family*
So sorry to read of Ed's passing. He was a good friend for many years. He was class of '55 from St Mary's Seminary, Northessr,PA. I was class of '65. We met professionally in the early 90's.
John Gallagher

John Gallagher - December 05, 2023 at 05:29 PM

MK

“ *Dear Carol and family, I was so sorry to read of Ed's passing. He was a great friend to my husband.*
Thinking of you, Thoughts and prayers,
Maureen F Kelly

maureen F kelly - December 01, 2023 at 08:46 AM

TB

“ *Dear Carol and Family,*

Sending our deepest Sympathy to ALL of you in your loss of your devoted husband ,father, relative , and Friend to ALL.

We offer our support and prayers during these difficult days.

May Ed receive the Joy of Eternal Life.

Our Love,

Tom and Sandy Brown
Hutchison Island, FL

Tom and Sandy Brownn - December 01, 2023 at 07:45 AM

LL

“ It has been a long time since we crossed paths, but I remember Ed well – both of us having begun criminal justice careers with NYS Parole (him in Dannemora and me in NYC) – and I remember Ed for both his cheerfulness and dedication to the benefit of his fellow citizens. At this time of loss and reflection, I am certain that Ed has left his family and friends with many fond memories.

Leo S. Levy - November 30, 2023 at 08:14 PM

TC

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire family, may you all be comfort by knowing the faith he had. God Bless you.

The Clendenans - November 30, 2023 at 04:59 PM

WD

“ Carol, I was so sorry to see Ed's Obit in today's paper. Ironically, just the other day, as my wife and I were cleaning the bureau drawer in our dining room, I pulled at the envelope that Ed had sent me with pictures from his retirement party. I particularly love the one of him and me, but the incredibly beautiful note he sent still moves me to this day. There was a picture of me at the podium speaking on behalf of NYSPOA, singing Ed's praises as one of it's founders. Ed was to me, as he was to many others, a mentor and a friend. His sage advice helped me on many occasions and opened many doors that allowed me to represent Probation officers throughout the state and hopefully improve their lot. But, more importantly, on many occasions over the years we had the opportunity to spend time together and have a few cocktails and a lot of laughs. Unfortunately, I have a doctor appointment tomorrow and will be unable to attend the wake (at 75 I seem to be doing that a lot). Please share my condolences with your family and know that my thoughts and prayers are with you. Wayne D'Arcy, Past President NYSPOA

Wayne P D'Arcy - November 30, 2023 at 02:07 AM

GM

“ *Our condolences to the entire Wutzer Family. So sorry to have lost a very special man and a top A neighbor. When you think of a strong work ethic Ed was literally everything and more. A true Inspiration! Not a day goes by when I look out across the yard next door and his house and think of past memories and say a prayer. RIP 🙏🚗 Gerry Dave and Emily*

Geraldine Mitchell - November 29, 2023 at 10:09 PM

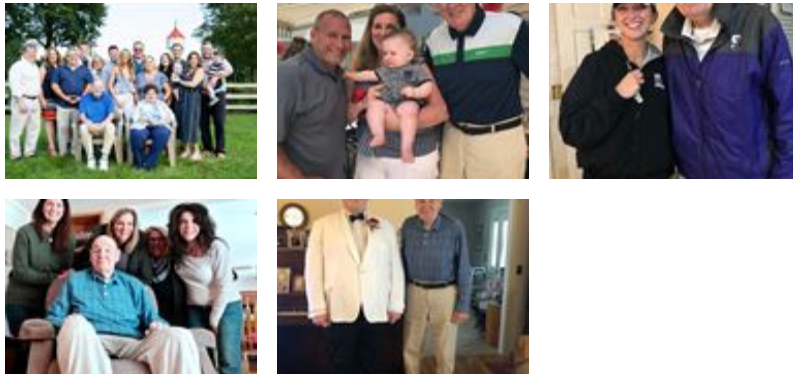
JH

“ *Ed& Joanne Hanlon We met Ed & his sister Betty in Seaside Hgts they owned houses on our block. Ed was such a great guy, always smiling and this man never stopped doing work even in his 80's. Our block will not be the same without him! Our condolences to John & Brenda and his family. You are all in our thoughts & prayers. May all your memories give you comfort.*

Joanbe & Ed Hanlon - November 29, 2023 at 07:52 PM

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“ *99 files added to the album LifeTributes*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - November 29, 2023 at 04:33 PM

GM

“ Ed was a great guy. I met Ed when he first started working for the NYS Sheriffs' Institute. He always looked out for the Sheriffs of New York State and was a great mentor with all his experience in the criminal justice field. I remember when he gave my young grandson a toy train set. You will be missed Ed. RIP my friend.

Gary T. Maha, (Sheriff Ret.)
Genesee County

Gary T. Maha - November 29, 2023 at 03:12 PM

KM

“ My condolences to the entire family. God bless you during this very difficult time. Ed was a game incredible wealth of knowledge and a tremendous resource to me as a Sheriff. He often times reflected on his time in the North Country and his adventures at the Dannemora prison. I'm so glad I had the opportunity to know him. Thank you for sharing such a treasure with the rest of us May he rest in Peace

Kevin Mulverhill - November 29, 2023 at 12:35 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edmund B. Wutzer.



November 29, 2023 at 12:12 PM

LM

“ COL Wutzer was a mentor to me in the Army Reserves. He was the Executive Officer and Commander of the 376th Combat Support Hospital, Liverpool, NY. He truly was an "officer and a gentleman" and will be remembered for his leadership, caring, sense of duty to the mission, and sense of humor. Most of all, I will remember the strength of his encouragement and development of his junior officers, always providing them the opportunity to move outside of their comfort zone to develop new skills and become a better soldier. For that, I am very grateful.

My deepest sympathy to his family. Ed, may you rest in peace.

Linda M Mocny, LTC, AMSC, USAR, Ret

Linda M. Mocny - November 29, 2023 at 01:20 AM

FR

“ Ed had the most stamina of anyone I've ever known I spent many hours traveling with him to various military functions I had the great fortune to have him as my chief of staff during my tenure as commander of the 8th Medical Brigade .He was always mission oriented and performed a great service the country and me personally during the difficult days of Desert Shield and Desert Storm .He was a great patriot and friend and I shall miss him greatly

F Robert Jordan MD(MG USA Ret) - November 28, 2023 at 10:06 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Edmund B. Wutzer.



November 28, 2023 at 09:43 PM

DR

“ *My brother was a good friend of Ed. When I was on my R/R from Iraq Ed took both of us out to lunch. A man with a big heart and a wonderful sense of humor. He served his family and his country well. Job well done good and faithful servant. Enter into the Jiys if the Lord*

Fr Don Rutherford

Chaplain (MG) US Army Retired

Donald Rutherford - November 28, 2023 at 09:10 PM

TW

“ *Tom Wright lit a candle in memory of Edmund B. Wutzer*



Tom Wright - November 28, 2023 at 08:19 PM