



Edward F. Leonard

August 8, 1943 - February 20, 2018

Albany-Edward F. Leonard of Albany died on Tuesday, February 20, 2018. Ed was born to James Leonard and Catherine Lenda Leonard on August 8, 1943. Ed grew up in North Albany, spent his summers at his family's camp on Burden Lake and worked, whenever he could, at his father's bar and restaurant which was located on the corner of Clinton Avenue and Broadway in Albany.

Ed loved the people that he met and the action that he encountered while working in the bar business. This led him to make bartending a life-long career, which began shortly after the family business moved to North Lake Avenue and his father retired. Ed sold the business in the mid 1970's and then went on to work at various bars and restaurants in the Albany area until his retirement. In his spare time, Ed loved to cook, fish and travel with his wife and friends.

Ed is survived by his wife, Pamela Lavin of Albany; sister, Elizabeth Schreiner, and her husband, William, of Guilderland; sister-in-law, Theresa Femia Leonard of Voorheesville; brother, Donald, and his wife, Janice Rossetti Leonard, of Averill Park; brother, Gerald of Troy; nieces: Kelly Leonard of Voorheesville, Maria Leonard of Selkirk, and Katherine Schreiner Roy of

Malta. He is also survived by his nephews: Michael Schreiner of Boulder, Colorado; Matthew Schreiner of Kemblesville, Pennsylvania; William Schreiner of Alexandria, Virginia and Donald Leonard, Jr. of Albany; and by a few close and life-long friends. Ed was predeceased by his oldest brother, James, who died just one week before Ed.

The family wishes to thank the M4 staff at Albany Medical Center, and Dr. Garbo, Dr. Doyle and Dr. Michael Gardner and their staff for their kindness and compassion in their treatment of Ed during the final weeks and months of Ed's life. They also wish to thank the staff of the McVeigh Funeral Home for their assistance in arranging private funeral services for Ed.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Edward F. Leonard*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *I remember Donnie as well as Eddie, they both served me beer at Broadway and Clinton and gave me rides around the third lake in their speed boat. I missed the relationship of James in the paper and didn't put it together. we all hung in Sacred Heart park as well. So sorry for your losses.*

Bob "Red" McCann and wife Lynne "McGraw" McCann

Robert McCann - March 01, 2018 at 09:21 AM



Eddie and I had many a laugh growing up in North Albany together. He was a good friend in those early days and I cherish the memories to this day! Good bye old pal. Jack Thorpe

John Thorpe - March 01, 2018 at 02:44 PM



*I will always remember Uncle Eddie as a cool, charming, and charismatic guy who possessed the rare quality of making everyone feel special. Eddie loved spending time with his devoted wife Pam. Moreover, Eddie enjoyed people, traveling, fun, and life in general. Uncle Eddie, may you rest in peace, as memories of you live on. Love~
Kelly*

Kelly Leonard - March 01, 2018 at 11:35 PM



*I hadn't seen Eddie in a lot of years. When I read of his passing i was saddened . I can still remember the great times we had growing up in North Albany. Rest in peace Ed. Condolences to your family.
Jim Yanni*

Jim Yanni - March 02, 2018 at 08:52 AM

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I do not exaggerate when I say that Eddie was one of the most charismatic men and one of the most gifted storytellers I have ever met. He had a rare spark and used his gift to bring smiles to people wherever he went. The little time that I was able to spend with Eddie was spent entirely smiling. That was his gift to everyone. And a precious gift it was. The world needs more people like you Eddie, and you will be sorely missed. I look forward to encountering you again someday and listening to your stories of eternity. I will pray for Pam and your family.

Love to you,

Donna

DonnaP - March 02, 2018 at 11:26 AM