



George A. Macutek

November 6, 1934 - May 26, 2020

Albany - George A. Macutek, 85, passed away on May 26, 2020. He was born in the Slovak and Polish enclave of Albany's Arbor Hill, the son of the late Joseph Macutek and Mary Zielonka. Growing up here, the streets were his playground and the Hudson River the place where he learned to swim and fish. He experienced the world through movies at the Palace and Strand theaters downtown. He always had a job throughout his early years whether it was picking vegetables, delivering groceries, or washing dishes.

He attended St. Casimir's school, where he served the Latin Masses as an altar boy. He graduated from Philip Schuyler High School, enlisting in the US Army soon thereafter. He was stationed in Cold War Berlin, where he met his late wife, Helga Brock. They married in Germany and she relocated with him to Albany where they made their home. He began working in paper mills, eventually landing a coveted job as a mail carrier and clerk with the US Postal Service in Delmar.

He was Dziadzia to his grandsons and after his wife died, he busied himself chauffeuring them to their appointments and after-school activities with perhaps a detour for a treat. As his grandsons went off to college, he made a point of slipping them some cash for "gas" before each semester resumed.

He is survived by his two children, Carol (Timothy) Carman and Mark (Fran) Macutek; his grandsons Kurt (Carly) and Alec Carman; Matthew, Thomas, and Jason Macutek. He is also survived by his older brother Joseph (Angie) Macutek; his cousin, June Lacijan and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his sisters Anna (Henry) Gadomski and Mary (Leo) Nosal.

The family would like to give a special thanks to the staff at Promenade at University Place, who caringly assisted our father with the activities of daily living over the past eighteen months.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in George's memory to GoFundMe, Feed Albany Covid-19 Relief Fund(<https://www.gofundme.com/f/feed-albany-covid19-relief>).

Due to the current pandemic, services will be private for the family. Interment will be in Bethlehem Cemetery.

To leave George's family a message on their guestbook, light a candle, or view his Cinematic Life Tribute, please visit www.mcveighfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of George A. Macutek*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - May 29, 2020 at 04:41 PM



“ *George A. Macutek*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *We send our prayers and love to George and his family during this time. I enjoyed My family's visits to Albany during the 1970's with George (My Godfather) and His family. This was the first time I heard someone speaking in German. (George & Helga). My family hopes this day is a celebration of George's life to all.*



Cordially,

*Michael & Lisa Prach
and Family
(Boston, MA)*

michael j prach - June 10, 2020 at 07:19 AM

RB

“ Carol, Tim , and family, we are so sorry to hear about the loss of your father and we convey our deepest sympathy and prayers to you and your family at this difficult time. May your Dad rest in peace and may his memory comfort you. God Bless your Dad, you and yours. Bob and Pat Benac

Robert Benac - June 02, 2020 at 04:11 PM

GW

“ Mark and Fran - We send our deepest sympathy to you and your family at this sad time. May your Dad rest in peace and may his memory dwell in your hearts forever.
Gerry Matesic & Eileen Wierzbowski

Gerry Matesic & Eileen Wierzbowski - June 01, 2020 at 09:54 PM

EJ

“ Mark and family - We are sorry to hear of your dad's passing. Eric and Mary Lou Jackson

Eric & Mary Lou Jackson - June 01, 2020 at 09:14 PM

TK

“ Mark and family - my deepest sympathies for your loss. I was always impressed with your father's walking from SED to home in the mornings after you drove to work together. My condolences to all of your family.
Theresa Kramm

Theresa Kramm - June 01, 2020 at 04:41 PM

DC

“ Carol and Mark, I am so sorry to hear about Dad. He is in my thoughts and prayers. Dana from Promenade

Dana Chojecki - June 01, 2020 at 11:39 AM

MB

“ Carol and Tim and family, deepest sympathies over the loss of your dad. It has been a long time. Stay safe.

Mike Banks - May 31, 2020 at 09:14 PM



“ My sincere condolences to the Macutek family. I worked with George at the Delmar post office over 30 years ago and have never forgotten him. He was a kind man, and always had a smile. May you all find peace in the beautiful memories.

Sue Gruss
Slingerlands

Sue Gruss - May 31, 2020 at 07:33 PM

MS

“ Mark and family. I am saddened to read the passing of Your Dad. I will never forget seeing and talking to him at Westland Hills when our boys played baseball together. He was at every one of Jason's games!! My condolences to all of your family. Mike Soldevere

Michael Soldevere - May 31, 2020 at 08:16 AM

CF

“ Carol: Sorry for your Dad. Charlie Farny.

Charles Farny - May 31, 2020 at 07:24 AM

JL

“ George was the big brother I never had. I remember George walking his sister Mary and me to St. Casimir’s School in the mornings after my father dropped me off at 105 Third Street on his way to work. As adults, I recall all the spirited discussions that arose at family functions with George and especially his wonderful wife, Helga. God bless you, dear George and Rest In Peace. You are and were dearly loved. Cousin Junie



June Lacijan - May 30, 2020 at 04:17 PM

DG

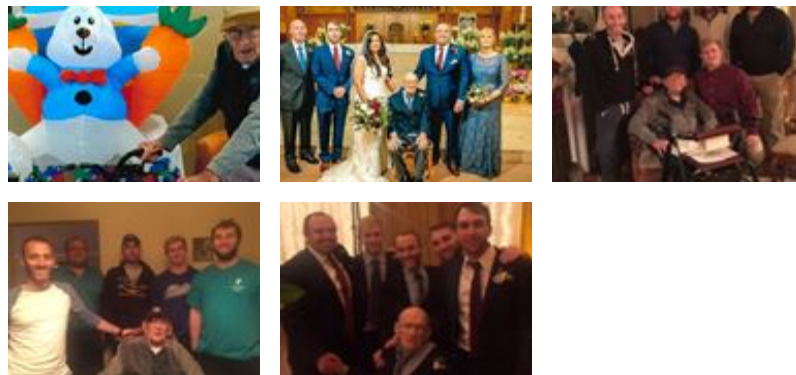
“ Our deepest sympathy, sending warm hugs.. Gabriel Lopez family
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Doris Lopez & Manuel Gabriel - May 30, 2020 at 09:42 AM

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