



John J. Gardy, Sr.

March 15, 1945 - August 22, 2019

North Albany—John J. Gardy, Sr., 74, son of the late Jack and Emma Gardy passed away Thursday, August 22, 2019.

The Man, The Myth, The Legend!

Born and raised in North Albany, John worked for the City of Albany as a laborer for 10 years. Previous owner of Gardy Disposal for most of his life. John was a member of AOH, Watervliet, NY and North Albany Limericks, Albany NY. He was a previous member of Albany Elks #49 and Albany Polish Club. Past commander of Sons of America North Albany #1610.

John like shooting Darts, playing softball, and doing mechanical work in his garages. He enjoyed being surrounded by family and friends.

John is survived by Geraldine Gardy and Melissa Filkins (very special friend and caretaker for over 30 years). Also Survived by his children John Gardy, Jr. (Faith), Deborah Criscone (Syl), Michelle Gardy, Michael Gardy and Jack Gardy (Bridget); and his brothers and sisters Joseph Gardy (Jean), Catherine

Blackman (Edward) and Samuel Gardy.

Several grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, and nephews also survive.

John was predeceased by Victoria Gardy (first Love of his life); sisters Mary St. Louis, Carol Swartz, Virgencia “Sissy” Downen, and brother Anthony Gardy; and Pamela “Twiggy”, who was a very special person in his life.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with John’s family from 4:00 to 7:00 pm on Friday, August 30, 2019 in the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany.

Funeral services Saturday, August 31, 2019 at 8:45 am from the McVeigh Funeral Home, thence to the Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 33 Walter Street, North Albany at 9:30 am where John’s Funeral Mass will be celebrated.

The Rite of Interment will immediately follow the Mass at St. Agnes Cemetery, Menands.

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

Cemetery Details

St. Agnes Cemetery

48 Cemetery Ave
Menands, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 30. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Service

AUG 31. 9:30 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart of Jesus Church
33 Walter Street
Albany, NY

Tribute Wall



“ McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of John J. Gardy, Sr.



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - August 27, 2019 at 11:57 AM



Sure John is smiling down on this is beautiful

Charles Magee - August 27, 2019 at 01:30 PM

DL

Sorry to hear of this loss---from 60+ years ago on Emmett Street to when I last saw John a few years back, he always had a smile and a good story. RIP!

David LaFleur - August 27, 2019 at 02:21 PM



*To the Whole Gardy Family- So very sorry for the family's loss! John always was so funny, smiling and happy. Sending you all our condolences and prayers. RIP John
Sherry Pratt, Louie DeGeorge, Tiffany Richichi and Tessa DeGeorge*

Sherry Pratt - August 27, 2019 at 02:40 PM



So sorry for the loss. John and are sister are together. RIP John

Frank Morey - August 27, 2019 at 05:47 PM

BD

I never had the pleasure of meeting John in person but I get like I knew him through my dear friend Melissa... This video is so beautiful and seems capture his spirit..I know John is heaven at peace and smiling down at all his loved ones ..my thoughts and prayers to all his family and friends and to Melissa who loved him so much.

Beth DeSanta - August 27, 2019 at 06:41 PM

MC

So sorry for your loss

marie&john connors - August 27, 2019 at 10:12 PM

HH

Sorry for your loss RIP John

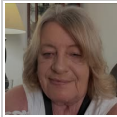
Henry Homicz - August 27, 2019 at 11:08 PM

BS

Thoughts and prayers are with Melissa and his Family. So very sorry for your loss. I can look back and remember the good times we had singing, playing darts and dancing with him at North Albany Post. RIP John 💔

The video is a beautiful tribute of his life. ❤️

Babe and Mark Scully - August 29, 2019 at 10:55 AM



Beautiful memories of our North Albany Mayor loved by all

Joanne Grabowski - September 13, 2019 at 05:56 PM

KR

John Hardy was a good man and friend

Kellie ryan - October 12, 2020 at 07:22 PM



“ *John J. Gardy, Sr.*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM

VR

“ *Very sorry for your loss. John was a great guy. From the Ross family.*

Vincent ross - September 02, 2019 at 09:35 AM

 Ernie Bovee

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Ernie Bovee - August 30, 2019 at 01:33 PM

JF

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Jim flood - August 29, 2019 at 10:40 PM

JF

We joked about him being the God Father of North Albany and he told us to kiss the ring LMFAO!! Lots of great memories! Glad you're free and with loved ones that went before you! 🙏

Jim flood - August 29, 2019 at 10:44 PM

ES

“ My heart reaches out to all the Gardy Families. I've known the whole family since I was about 14 or 15 years old. I first met John when I moved from Clinton Ave. to North Albany Projects. His parents Emma And Jack were great people. John was my first friend I made when he lived on Emmet Street with his parents. I remember changing a motor in (Old White) with no motor puller, long before he and his father Jack brought the Packer Truck. To Jon that was a God send, no loading or unloading by hand. I spent many Christmas Eves at the Gardy home partying and celebrating with my friends. North Albany will never be the same without John Gardy. Forever Friends and we will meet again. Ernie Bovee Sr.

Ernest F. Bovee Sr - August 29, 2019 at 04:49 PM



“ Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of John J. Gardy, Sr..



August 29, 2019 at 01:32 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John J. Gardy, Sr..



August 29, 2019 at 09:35 AM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of John J. Gardy, Sr..



August 28, 2019 at 11:22 AM



“ May you Rest In Peace Cuz!! Love you Cuz!

Darlene. Richards - August 28, 2019 at 09:17 AM



“ John, I know you are free and happy! I wish peace to my Aunt Melissa, and sympathy to all of John's family. There is a song by Zach Williams called "Chain Breaker" and I think it is perfect for you John! Enjoy your Freedom and fly high.



Jennifer Akullian Cuzdev - August 27, 2019 at 07:32 PM



“ My condolences to John's family . Johns had a real love for life always laughing and making everyone happy around him. 🙏

Pam Levanites - August 27, 2019 at 06:11 PM

DD

“ To the Gardy family,
Johnn was a great guy, larger than life. He was the hardest working man I ever saw. He will be missed but remembered forever. Carol and I send out prayers and deepest condolences.
Dan Doherty

Daniel Doherty - August 27, 2019 at 01:08 PM

MR

“ Joe and Jean and the entire Gardy family,

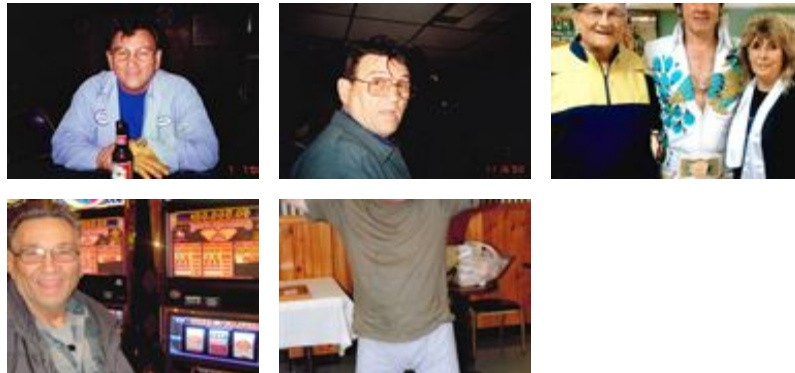
We are very sorry for your loss, and we send prayers at this difficult time.

Maryann and Kevin Ryan

Maryann Ryan - August 27, 2019 at 11:59 AM

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“ 76 files added to the album Life Tributes



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - August 27, 2019 at 11:55 AM