



## John Gerard Norton "Jack"

February 4, 1943 - June 20, 2024

Loudonville, NY-John Gerard Norton ("Jack") of Loudonville passed away on Thursday, June 20, 2024 at the age of 81.

Jack was born in February of 1943 in West Albany, NY to John J. "Skip" and Florence (Kross) Norton. He attended and graduated from Colonie High School and served in the National Guard for several years. After the early and unexpected loss of his father, he helped his mother with several responsibilities including raising his three younger brothers.

A man determined to figure out things himself, Jack learned and became passionate about the art of carpentry. He first started working with his mother in her home building business. Jack and his brother, James (Jim) founded Norton Home Builders in 1969. For over 40 years, they built houses "right, from the ground up" that have served as treasured homes to hundreds of families in the greater Loudonville community.

As a father, Jack was determined to provide a safe and supportive environment for his family. He spent countless hours driving to and standing on the sides of athletic fields, ski mountains and in recital halls supporting the endeavors of his children and their friends. He particularly enjoyed spending time with his son deer hunting in the woods and was an avid fan of auto racing, tennis and classic movies.

Retirement should have been more enjoyable for Jack, a man that worked hard and tirelessly his entire life. Unfortunately, he battled several challenges with his health, most recently Parkinsonism for the last several years.

Predeceased by his parents, Jack is survived by his loving and caring wife of 48 years, Carol (Zacharewicz) Norton, his two children, John (Beatty Schlueter) and Kristin (Matthew MacDonald), as well as five grandchildren, of whom he was very proud; Claire, Reuk, Sean, Biggs, and Isla. He is also survived by his three brothers: James, Robert (Barbara) and Thomas (Kathy), a sister-in-law, Alice Zacharewicz, and brothers-in-law Stanley (Linda) Zacharewicz and John (Nan) Puchalski, as well as several nieces, nephews and cousins.

In accordance with his wishes, family and friends are invited to calling hours at the McVeigh Funeral Home at 208 North Allen Street in Albany on Sunday, June 23, 2024 from 4:30pm to 7:00pm. Please enter the funeral home from the rear parking lot entrance only.

Funeral services Monday, June 24, 2024 at 12:30 pm at St. Pius X Church, Loudonville, NY where his Funeral Mass will be celebrated.

The Rite of Committal will be held at Our Lady of Angels Cemetery, 1389 Central Avenue, Albany, NY immediately following the Mass.

To leave a message for the family please visit [www.McveighFuneralHome.com](http://www.McveighFuneralHome.com)

In lieu of flowers, should family and friends desire, contributions may be made in Jack's name to a Parkinson's / Parkinsonism disease research foundation or local EMS organization of your choice. The Norton family thanks Jack's

doctors and staff at St. Peter's Eddy VNA as well as the Town of Colonie EMS for their service during the last several months.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **23**. 4:30 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.  
208 N Allen St  
Albany, NY 12206  
(518) 489-0188  
info@mcveighfuneralhome.com  
<http://www.McveighFuneralHome.com>

## Service

JUN **24**. 12:30 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall

BS

“ Carol and family, I'm so sorry to hear about Jack. He always put a smile on my face when he came in for his haircuts. He was very peticular about his hair but I would smile and try my best. 😊 He was a good man and will be truly missed. May he Rest in Peace. Hugs

Bonnie Stevens - July 19, 2024 at 07:46 AM



“ Dear Carol, please know that you & your family are in my thoughts. My sincere condolences on the loss of your beloved husband. Sending lots of love and prayers for peace and comfort.

Daniela Filmer - June 24, 2024 at 10:33 AM

KM

“ Carol, I am so sorry to learn of Jack's passing. Only a few days ago I was thinking of you folks and the days when Jack and Jim were on the job site as teenagers along with me. My deepest condolences go out to you, Jim and your entire family.  
Ken Marcinowski

Ken Marcinowski - June 23, 2024 at 07:40 PM

SJ

“ Sydney, Steph, Lauren and Jodi purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of John Gerard Norton "Jack".



Sydney, Steph, Lauren and Jodi - June 23, 2024 at 01:37 PM

JJ

“ Jeremy J. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Gerard Norton "Jack".

Jeremy J. - June 23, 2024 at 08:17 AM

“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of John Gerard Norton "Jack".



June 22, 2024 at 05:43 PM

LK

“ Love, Debbie & Bob Ketchell planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Gerard Norton "Jack".

Love, Debbie & Bob Ketchell - June 22, 2024 at 05:43 PM

TM

“ Deepest sympathy for such a huge loss, Warren n I have such wonderful memories of Jack. As a part of our ski family we will treasure all of the good times. Gone to soon hugs n love to all of the family. RIP 📯📯📯📯📯📯🙏🙏🙏🙏

Tosca Meola - June 22, 2024 at 09:00 AM