



## John Wills

January 6, 1954 - December 7, 2015

Albany- John “Jack” Wills, 61, passed away Monday, December 7, 2015 at Albany Medical Center Hospital surrounded by his loved ones. Born in Albany, NY he was the son of the late John E. and Dorothy Lanahan Wills.

Jack was a member of the Albany Fire Department for 32 years. Throughout his many years on the job, he was hailed as a hero, mentor, friend, and teacher. He rose up through the ranks of the department; first becoming a firefighter, then a lieutenant, and ending his illustrious career with the rank of Captain.

Jack will forever be remembered by those who truly knew and loved him as a kind, funny, gentle and true friend.

Jack is survived by his loving and best friend Jessica Duda-Steele (Donald) of Slidell, LA and his “little bugger” Micah Joseph Gypsy Steele; his brothers Ken Wills (Liz) of Albany, Joseph Wills of Albany and Kevin Wills of Watervliet, his sister Diane Koehler (Phillip) of Guilderland, his step sister and step brother Wendy and Darcy Wills, and many nieces and nephews.

Relatives and friends are invited and may visit with Jack’s family on Friday, December 11, 2015 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm in the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany.

A funeral service will be held Saturday, December 12, 2015 at 9:00 am in the funeral home.

Interment will follow the service at St. Agnes Cemetery, Menands.

We ask that in lieu of flowers, you make a donation in Jack's honor to Autism Speaks at [AutismSpeaks.com](http://AutismSpeaks.com)

To leave Jack's family a message on their guestbook, obtain directions or view other helpful services, please visit [www.mcveighfuneralhome.com](http://www.mcveighfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## St. Agnes Cemetery

48 Cemetery Ave  
Menands, NY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 11. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.  
208 N Allen St  
Albany, NY 12206  
(518) 489-0188  
info@mcveighfuneralhome.com  
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## Service

DEC 12. 9:00 AM (ET)

McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *John Wills*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *Diane Joey and Kevin I am so very sorry for your loss. I have so many wonderful memories of your family. MY PRAYERS AND THOUGHTS ARE WITH YOU ALL. LOVE YOU*  
*Lynn Rizzo*

**Lynn Rizzo** - December 10, 2015 at 08:27 PM



“ *Deep regrets to life long friend Jackie part of family as is all the wills family was and are. Paul Frechette*

**paul frechette** - December 10, 2015 at 05:07 PM



“ *He was a good friend. He will be missed dearly.*



**Mindy Cohen** - December 10, 2015 at 09:24 AM

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“ *Our sincerest sympathies to the Wills family.  
& to his AFD colleagues. RIP Jack. Gary &  
Mary Kay Albert*



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**mary kay albert** - December 09, 2015 at 06:48 PM