



## Lawrence W. Berben

December 9, 1951 - January 5, 2017

Albany- Lawrence W. Berben passed away January, 5 2017 at St. Peter's hospital after a courageous battle with cancer. Born in Albany Lawrence worked for the Watervliet Arsenal as a Machinist and Value Engineer. Lawrence loved his country and proudly served in the United States Army. He was the son of the late Marvin Berben and Gertrude Curtis Berben.

Lawrence is survived by his wife Jane Berben. His children Hollie Grignon (Wayne), Jennifer Zumpano (Don), Lawrence Berben (Kerilee), and Emily Berben (fiancé Kyle Galarneau). His grandchildren Jeffery, Connor, Lauryn, Grace, Jane, Evelyn.

Relatives and Friends are invited to visit with Lawrence's family Monday, January 9, 2017 4 to 7 p.m. in the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 N. Allen St., Albany.

Funeral services Tuesday, January 10, 2017 at 9:45 a.m. from the Mcveigh Funeral Home, thence to Blessed Sacrament Church, Albany at 10:30 a.m. where a funeral Mass will be celebrated.

The Rite of Interment will be held at Gerald B.H. Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery at 1:30 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to of the Blessed Sacrament Church, 607 Central Avenue, Albany, NY 12206.

To leave a message for the family, light a candle, obtain directions, or view other helpful services please visit [McveighFuneralHome.com](http://McveighFuneralHome.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 9. 4:00 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

JAN 10. 10:30 AM (ET)

Blessed Sacrament Church  
607 Central Ave (Father John Bradley Way)  
Albany, NY 12206  
(518) 489-0188  
info@mcveighfuneralhome.com

## Graveside

JAN 10. 1:30 PM (ET)

Gerald BH Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery  
200 Duell Road  
Schuylerville, NY

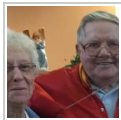
# Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Lawrence W. Berben*



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**McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.** - January 08, 2017 at 09:20 AM



*A wonderful tribute to a Great Guy and his Family. So sorry for your loss. R.I.P. Lawrence W. Berben.*

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**Jane M. Ross** - January 09, 2017 at 11:00 PM

DR

*WOW this captured Larry in every sense of the word....A Great Man, Husband, Father, Grandfather an a True American Patriot..... We surely lost a great one.*

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**Dennis Rymanowski** - January 11, 2017 at 06:42 PM

EC

*Always a great Uncle to me. I was proud to be part of his family!! Never forget all the 4Th of July celebrations and swimming at the house!!*

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**eric cuzdey** - January 21, 2021 at 07:08 PM



“ *Lawrence W. Berben*

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October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM

MO

“ *My sincere condolences to you and your family during this difficult time, may the words at Isaiah 25:8 bring you comfort "He will swallow up death forever, And the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces"*

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**Montana** - January 11, 2017 at 07:53 PM

LA

“ *Linda Allocco lit a candle in memory of Lawrence W. Berben*



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**Linda Allocco** - January 09, 2017 at 08:20 PM

LA

“ *Holly so sorry for the loss of your father. I will keep you all in my prayers and remember your dad laughing at your house during your family parties.  
God Bless  
Linda and John Allocco*

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**Linda Allocco** - January 09, 2017 at 08:19 PM

JT

“ *to jane and family, my prayers are with you guys at this time . larry was a lot of fun and will be missed. johnny torre*

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**johnny torre** - January 09, 2017 at 03:27 PM

MR

“ *Jane and family,*

*I am very sorry for your loss. I will always appreciate your kindness toward my parents and your tolerance of my karaoke efforts.*

*May God bless all of you at this difficult time.*

*Maryann Carey Ryan*

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**Maryann Ryan** - January 09, 2017 at 03:26 PM

PJ

“ *3 files added to the tribute wall*



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**Patrick E Jones** - January 09, 2017 at 01:53 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Lawrence W. Berben.*



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January 09, 2017 at 10:23 AM

CB

“ I have such fond memories of Larry when I was growing up. I am so sad to hear of your loss.

*My sincere condolences and love.  
Chantel Crisafulli-Burnash*

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**Chantel Burnash** - January 09, 2017 at 10:07 AM

MK

“ I enjoyed working with Larry and his brother Ron at the Watervliet Arsenal. My thoughts and prayer are with the family.

*Sincerely,  
Michele M, Krutka*

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**Michele Krutka** - January 09, 2017 at 09:18 AM

NB

“ Words somehow cannot express the sorrow for the loss of Larry. He most certainly was a one of a kind man. His love of family will never be surpassed. He loved life and lived it in a way not many people will ever experience. I will miss our discussions on what cut of meat was the best and how to prepare it, what new ingredient he found, and what was the weekly sale at PC. He was like my soul mate when it came to cooking, and I will miss this forever. RIP until we meet again my brother-in-law and friend in that big kitchen in the heaven.

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**Nancy Berben** - January 08, 2017 at 09:25 PM

JL

“ My heart goes out to all the Berbens and everyone who knew Larry. I was so very saddened by the news of his passing. Larry was always a joy to be around and at any get together I always seked him out...knowing i'd get a wink and a very strong hand shakeand a bit of wisdom for life. They just dont make them like Larry anymore, he was and always will be one of a kind. Larry was family, a friend and my personal Hero. He will never be forgotten. My thoughts and prayers go out to you all. Kyle Cuzdey

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**jaime lafferty** - January 08, 2017 at 09:10 PM

CR

“ To the Larry's wife Janie and his children and grandchildren, I was sadden to hear the Larry passed away. I know he was a very devoted husband and a wonderful father and he had a heart of gold and always took on so many projects helping others, he just couldn't say "No". He will be greatly missed by everyone who knew him and most of all his family. I hope all the wonderful memories he filled your heart with will help you during this most difficult time. I will keep you in my prayers. RIP.

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**Cyndi Rekemeyer** - January 08, 2017 at 06:47 PM

FF

“ Dear Jane and family: Fred and I are saddened upon learning of the passing of Larry. We have fond memories of you and Larry and the Berben family. We send our love, thoughts and prayers and pray the Lord comfort you all during this difficult time. Love, Fred and Anne Fiato

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**Fred & Anne Fiato** - January 08, 2017 at 06:31 PM

AS

“ Jane, Holly, Jenny, Larry, Emily and your families, Art and I were so very sorry to learn of Larry's passing He was a wonderful neighbor and always ready to help. We will miss seeing him drive down the street every morning with his warm hello and beautiful smile Jane, you and Larry raised a wonderful family together. We watched them as little children in the neighborhood grow up into amazing adults. We hope those beautiful memories will help you thru this very difficult time. You are a wonderful family Our thoughts and prayers are with you all now.



*Art and Pat Spencer*

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**Art and Pat Spencer** - January 08, 2017 at 02:19 PM

BZ

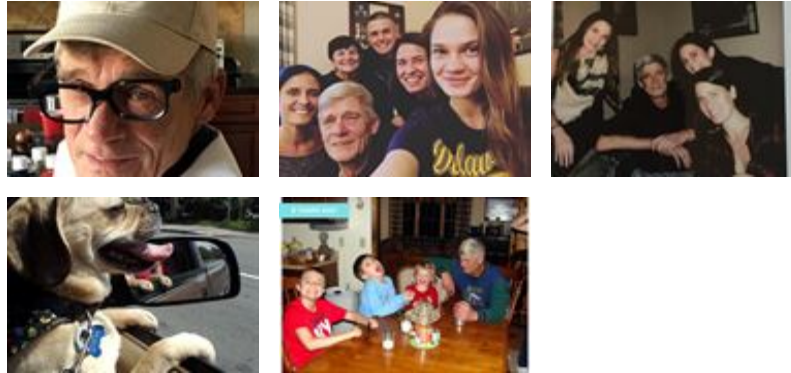
“ Jane, it was wonderful visiting with you and Larry at the reunion in Florida in 2012.

*Larry, your time on watch is over now, soldier. Let the shots of your rifle echo forever. We will meet once again someday on Fiddler's Green and in Valhalla.*

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**Bob and Phyllis Zornes** - January 08, 2017 at 10:55 AM

“ 75 files added to the album Life Tributes



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - January 08, 2017 at 09:12 AM

TI

“ Dear Jane and kids, I am so sorry for your loss. I thought Larry was a great guy and Dad. I loved how he cooked for everyone. I remember questioning him about Vietnam Nam when I was a teenager and he was really cool about it. The greater the love, the greater the pain. I know you are crushed and I pray for serenity for all of you.

Tina - January 07, 2017 at 07:50 PM

BT

“ Such a great person. Always had a smile and a great sense of humor. That is how he will be remembered. My condolences go out to the family at this sad time.

B Torre - January 07, 2017 at 10:11 AM

JJ

“ I'm so deeply sorry for the loss of the Berben family, my love goes out especially to Kathy♥ and her children Peter,Hannah, and Andrew leal. I love you all very much and my thoughts are with you.



Joelle jock - January 07, 2017 at 07:50 AM



Thank You Joelle I love you ♥

Kathy Berben - January 07, 2017 at 08:14 AM

JT

Jane, Hollie,Jenny,Larry and Emily I am so deeply saddened at the passing of The best husband and Dad a family could have asked for. Love you all,my prayers and thoughts are with you. Larry will be working the kitchen in heaven showing them what good food taste like. RIP Larry

Janis Lawlor Torre - January 07, 2017 at 09:50 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lawrence W. Berben.



January 06, 2017 at 10:07 PM

MF

“ A wonderful brother in law who cultivated beautiful gardens, friendships and family. Larry was always so generous with his help, his food and his time. He was so good to my parents. His quiet presence will be so missed .

Marybeth Fader - January 06, 2017 at 09:10 PM

TM

“ *My sincere condolences to Larry's family. Larry and I went through the machinist apprentice program at the Arsenal, many years ago. We then worked together as journeyman machinists, until we moved on in our respective careers. Larry was a wealth of knowledge, always listened and gave solid engineering advice. He was an asset to his country. Even though I haven't seen him since retirement some 9 years ago, I will always remember him, and the time we spent together.*

*Tom Martin*

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**Tom Martin** - January 06, 2017 at 09:03 PM

RG

“ *Aunt Jane, Hollie, Jennie, Larry and Emily, I am so very sorry for your loss. Uncle Larry was a wonderful man. I spent a good portion of my childhood welcomed so graciously at your home. I had delicious meals, good laughs, life lessons and so much fun spending many summer days with you all. As I sit here thinking back, I can honestly say I am a better person having been a part of your family. I will always remember Uncle Larry's smiling eyes. I wish you all love and strength during this difficult time. Love, Robyn Gregg and Family.*

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**Robyn Gregg** - January 06, 2017 at 08:48 PM

ML

“ Jane and Family. My heart is heavy as I write to say how very sorry I am for your loss. I remember Larry most as a boy when he and his brothers were always so active. He was so much fun to be around. As we grew older I lost touch with the family but whenever we did see each other it was like we were never apart. He was so warm and loving. I most remember his hospitality and wanting to make others comfortable. He inherited that from his dad (who was my godfather and spoiled me something awful.) You are all in my prayers. I wish I could be with you now. Marsha and Brian Libby.

Marsha Libby - January 06, 2017 at 08:29 PM

JA

“ So sorry for your loss. I also knew Larry from the Arsenal. He was a great guy. Sending prayers and strength to you at this difficult time. RIP, Larry!!



Jamie Amsler - January 06, 2017 at 08:22 PM

  
Jerome  
Brown

“ Reflections of years past are streaming through my head as I remember so many memories I have of Larry. Over 40 years is a long time to reflect on someone's friendship. My heart is sunken, but my memories are so vivid. He was such a devoted family man, a friend to so many. I was blessed to know him. Please accept our deepest condolences during this difficult time.  
Patti and Jerry Brown

Jerome Brown - January 06, 2017 at 07:57 PM

BG

“ So sorry for your loss, My thoughts and prayers will be with you in days come



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**Beverly Wray Green** - January 06, 2017 at 07:39 PM

DR

“ Dear Jane and Family, I am so very sorry to hear about Larry...Please accept my deepest condolences. Yesterday I was down in my cellar looking for something in my cellar and saw a note I had put on my hot water heater, that said , installed by Larry Berben 2011...Wow he was such a great guy and ALWAYS there is you needed st lunch times leve had was spending them with Larry and Danny up at Eamonns....RIP My friend....Love ya Man.

*Dennis Rymanowski*

*P.S. I would be at the wake however I'm leaving for FI tomorrow.*

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**Dennis Rymanowski** - January 06, 2017 at 07:28 PM

MB

“ I met Larry in February 1975 when we both entered Class 61 of the Watervliet Arsenal Apprentice Machinist Program. Larry was a good classmate and a great guy. So sorry to hear of his passing. I will always have fond memories of Larry.

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**Mark Bodnar** - January 06, 2017 at 07:17 PM

EW

“ So sorry for your loss. I knew Larry from the Watervliet Arsenal.  
Really nice guy. May he RIP.  
*Liz Gailey Wilson*

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**Elizabeth Gailey Wilson** - January 06, 2017 at 07:02 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of  
Lawrence W. Berben.



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January 06, 2017 at 06:41 PM