



Lawrence E. Raffalovich Ph.D.

March 22, 1945 - December 21, 2022

Slingerlands- Lawrence E. Raffalovich, 77, entered eternal life Wednesday, December 21, 2022 at home with his wife at his side. He was the son of the late Aubrey and Doris Kulman Raffalovich.

After getting his undergraduate degree from the University of Vermont he went to work for the state of Vermont doing social work. Lawrence then went on to receive his Doctorate from Indiana University graduating in 1986 . Lawrence's first job as a professor was for the University of Texas in Austin. He then moved to the Albany area in 1990 working as a Professor of Sociology at the University of Albany until his retirement in 2013.

Lawrence enjoyed playing the guitar and reading. Since 2016 Lawrence and Gloria have resided at the Beverwyck where they have made many friends and enjoyed numerous activities with their neighbors.

He is survived by his wife Gloria Purinton, Slingerlands, NY; his son Steven Purinton, Nashville, TN and daughter Tonya Lara, Richmond, VA; his grandchildren Joshua Purinton, Nashville, TN and Alyssa Porter, Richmond, VA; his brother Daniel Raffalovich of San Diego, CA.

Funeral Services will be private at the convenience of the family.

To leave a message for the family or find other helpful services please visit www.mcveighfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence E. Raffalovich Ph.D.*

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“ *I was a colleague of Larry's during his time at the University at Albany. I so enjoyed working with him and chatting with him about all sorts of things. He had a great knowledge of both academic and non-academic things. He will be greatly missed. I send my deepest condolences to Gloria and the family.*

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