



## David A. Cook, Sr.

July 8, 1949 - June 1, 2018

David A. Cook, Sr., 68, of Gloversville died Friday evening June 1, 2018 at the Mountain Valley Hospice House surrounded by loving family.

He was born in Rotterdam on July 8, 1949 a son of Earl and Anna Mae Crawn Cook and was a 1967 graduate of Wilbur H. Lynch High School in Amsterdam. David lived in Cranesville before moving to Gloversville in 1968.

Mr. Cook was a leather worker and was employed at Independent Leather Co. in Gloversville where he became a shop steward. Later, David worked at Pan American Leather in Johnstown, retiring six years ago.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and camping with his family. David loved to help others and was a great mentor for children. A quiet and humble man, he was a hard worker and a take-charge guy who adored his family. David was also known to be able to repair anything.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his step-father, Walter Newland, who raised David like a son.

Survivors include his beloved wife, Roxanne M.A. Lettice Cook, whom he married on November 14, 1970; two children, Ursula (Scott) Pike of Gloversville and David (Tracy) Cook, Jr. of Broadalbin; his siblings, Gary (Debbie) Newland of Saratoga Springs, Priscilla "Patti" (Peter) Taylor of Johnstown, Sharon Way and Dorothy "Dottie" (Bill) Goldsmith, all of Gloversville, Kathleen English of Marana, AZ, and Thelma "Tammy" (Victor) Tovar of Corpus Christi, TX; his step-mother, Gayle Newland of Mayfield; three grandchildren, Christopher Pike, and Haley and Molly Cook; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Cremation will be performed at Park View Crematorium, Schenectady. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to Mountain Valley Hospice, in care of the funeral home. To honor David, his family suggests performing an act of kindness by taking time to teach a child something or by being attentive to the elderly. Arrangements are by the Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, Inc. 111 County Highway 106, Johnstown.

# Comments

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“ I'm so sorry for loss I'll never forget your family for helping me when I was younger I'll never forget everything you did for me and my sister. My prayers are you and you will always be in my heart. Tracy Childs

**Tracy Childs** - June 06, 2018 at 09:27 AM

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“ David was an unusually humble man who had a passion to care for the disadvantaged. he helped youth fix cars, bikes and broken toys. Teaching them skills to carry into adulthood. David displayed kindness to elderly in numerous ways when a need presented. He showed his family grace, dignity and courage as he fought his illness. David loved all his family with unconditional love and provided refuge when needed. He showed the youth in our family what love and marriage should look like and how to treat your mate. I am sure God received him with open arms. RIP my brother. Be well in the presence of God. You are very missed.



**Patti Taylor** - June 05, 2018 at 06:13 AM