



## Edward E. Sowle

March 24, 1941 - May 6, 2020

Edward E. Sowle, 79, of Galway, NY passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday May 6, 2020 at home.

He was born in the Town of Providence on March 24, 1941 a son of Percy and Ruth Fowler Sowle and attended school in Galway. He was a lifelong area resident.

Mr. Sowle was employed as a machinist at GE in Schenectady for thirty-five years, retiring in 1991.

He was a veteran of the US Coast Guard, serving from 1959- 65, as a Boatswain's Mate 3rd Class.

Edward was an incredible man with a huge heart. He married Ruth E. Seelow Warner on September 11, 1976. At the same time, he adopted her seven children and provided for them all with his unconditional love. Edward was a dedicated husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his loving wife, Ruth, who died October 17, 2015; a brother, Percy Sowle; and a grandson, Dustin Blackwood.

Survivors include his children, Sherry Blackwood of Fort Plain, Danielle Walter of Schenectady, Laurie (Peter) Neri of Altamont, Joan Sowle (Mark Marvel) of Sprakers, Franklin Warner, Tracy Rowback, Julia (Michael) VanNostrand, and Nora (Jack) Albertin, all of Mayfield; sixteen grandchildren; twenty-nine great-grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Cremation was performed at Park View Crematorium, Schenectady. Due to the current health situation, services will be private. A celebration of his life will be held at a later date.

Final burial will be in Mayfield Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Assoc., in care of the funeral home. Arrangements are by the Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, Inc. 111 County Highway 106, Johnstown, NY 12095.

# Comments

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“ I love you dad. Nothing could have prepared us for losing you. We know you were tired and just didn't want to be here anymore without mom. Give mom hugs and kisses and tell her how much we love and miss her. I know you both are probably dancing in the warm sunshine and breeze. Until we meet again.



**Laurie Neri** - May 11, 2020 at 10:27 PM

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“ What I remember most about Ed was his huge welcoming smile. Peace and comfort at this time of rest

**Leslie Ryan** - May 11, 2020 at 02:29 PM

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“ So sorry to hear of your dad's passing! God bless you with the comfort of love and support from many people!

**Gloria Yost** - May 09, 2020 at 04:31 PM



“ Thank you Gloria for your kindness.

**Laurie Neri** - May 11, 2020 at 10:29 PM

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“ We are saddened to learn of your Dad's passing. Our son passed away in June, 2018 and his resting place and stone are very nearby your Mother's and Dad's. We visit our son often and have come to know Edward by his frequent visits to your Mother. We have never spoken but wave every time we see him. His chair is in place but many times he sits in the car and looks at the stone. We have always been touched by his presence.  
We are thinking about you all with our hearts and remembering you in our prayers. And we think how wonderful it is that your Mother and Father are together again and how happy they must be!  
Rest in Peace, Mr Sowle. We will wave again when we visit our son.  
Kevin Bornt and Denise Spedding



**Denise Spedding** - May 09, 2020 at 10:37 AM



“ Thank you for your kind words. My dad came to our house every night for dinner. He did tell me he saw some very nice people visiting their loved one also but didn't know who you were. He said you were there often and always waved. He will be missed terribly but he is in his glory with my mom. Thank you again.

**Nora Albertin** - May 09, 2020 at 02:32 PM

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“ I met Ed through his daughter Tracy we were best friends and I spent a lot of time at their house. He was a loving devoted father and husband. May he R.I.P.

**lore Martin** - May 09, 2020 at 06:46 AM



“ Thank you Lore, yes, he was a devoted father that did everything for his family. We miss him terrible but are comforted knowing he is where he always wanted to be, with mom.

**Nora Albertin** - May 09, 2020 at 02:34 PM

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“ We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this time. May your memories become treasurers. Brian, Karen, LeAnn, Ben & Cabella.

**Pratt Family** - May 08, 2020 at 05:28 PM

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“ The first time I met him, he put my moped in the back of his Ford truck and gave me a ride home. Last time I talked to him , he was painting the inside of a trailer. There was a good 20 years between and he still remembered me and my name. I'm sorry for the loss of a great man. May you rest in peace Mr. Sowle

**Patrick Boles** - May 08, 2020 at 04:20 PM



“ I will miss you uncle ed. Thank you for the many great memories . Please give gram and dad a kiss and hug for me.

**Patty Niles** - May 08, 2020 at 07:15 PM



“ Thank you Pat. He was a wonderful man. We will miss him dearly. We hope and pray he's dancing with momma now

**Tracy Rowback** - May 08, 2020 at 10:31 PM