



Alexander Ronald Taggart

August 4, 2020

Alexander Ronald Taggart (Ron) lost his lengthy battle with cancer this past Tuesday, August 4, 2020, surrounded by his loved ones. Ron was a second generation Irish immigrant, born in Amsterdam, NY, on May 17, 1936.

Ron spent his early years in Amsterdam until a family vacation to the Great Sacandaga Lake in 1944 changed his future. The Taggart family fell in love with the lake and his father built a home on Lakeview Road where he spent the rest of his childhood. Ron graduated from Broadalbin High School in 1954, where he actively participated with basketball, soccer, and baseball throughout his school years. Ron joined the U.S. Army from 1954-1957 and was stationed in Fort Benning, Georgia.

After the Army he spent a semester at Alfred University for engineering. Ever the free spirit that he was, he left college and came back to Broadalbin where he worked for Argotsinger's farm for several years. Ron traveled the country and worked in multiple restaurants along the way. He even had a brief modeling job for the Telescope Folding Furniture Company in 1964. In 1966, Ron bought the Old Lonesome Lodge in north Broadalbin. Shortly after he met his future wife Alice and they owned and operated a successful family restaurant for over 20 years. Ron went on to become the highway superintendent of Broadalbin for three terms. He simultaneously owned and operated several businesses, Taggart's Cleaning Services for over seven

years and Taggart's Ice Cream Store for over 10 years. Ron and his wife Alice became the managers at Petoff Garden Apartments in 1992. He managed this apartment complex until 2018 when he was forced to retire due to health reasons. Ron was an active member of the Presbyterian Church in Broadalbin and was a deacon for two terms in the 1990s.

Ron was predeceased in death by his loving spouse of 53 years, Alice Taggart; his parents, Sarah and Alexander R. Taggart; his brothers, Samuel and William Taggart; and his sister, Sheila Giglio. He is survived by his daughter Beth Taggart of Beaufort, SC; son, Michael Bump of Albany, NY; grandchildren, Eden Robbins (Derek) of Beaufort SC, Dillon Canfield of Beaufort, SC, Kayleigh Smith (Richard) of Guilderland, NY, Bethany Bump (David) of Saratoga, NY, Frederick David of Gloversville, NY, and Leilani Birch of Beaufort, SC; great-grandchildren, Brayden, Nicolas, and Reegan; and multiple nieces and nephews. Ron and his wife were involved in charity work throughout their lives. Remembrances can be made to St. Jude's, the American Veterans or your charity of choice.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, burial services will have to be determined at a later date, with interment at Broadalbin-Mayfield Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Broadalbin-Mayfield Rural Cemetary

Broadalbin, NY 12025

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JUL 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Presbyterian Church
54 West Main St.
Broadalbin, NY 12025

Military Graveside Service

JUL 17 (ET)

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