



Earl J. Keeler, Sr.

January 15, 1931 - July 7, 2018

Earl J. Keeler, Sr., 87, of Crooked Street, Broadalbin went home to be with the Lord on Saturday July 7, 2018 at Ellis Hospital, Schenectady.

He was born in Ballston Spa on January 15, 1931 a son of John and Bell Castle Keeler and attended local schools. Earl was a lifelong area resident and lived in the town of Galway for sixty-three years.

He was a graduate of the Army Engineer Training Center in Belvoir, VA and served in the US Army during the Korean War.

Mr. Keeler owned and operated Keeler Sand & Gravel Co. from 1958 – 1982. He later served as the Superintendent of Highways for the Town of Galway for twelve years and was a former president of the Saratoga County Highway Superintendent Association. Earl and his wife, Phyllis, owned the Cook Museum of Local History in Galway.

Earl served as a volunteer for many years at the Barkersville Christian Church and at the Sacandaga Bible Conference, where he served on the Board of Directors and was involved with Operation Christian Child. He was a member of the Gideon's International, Saratoga Camp.

Earl loved helping people and enjoyed working on and operating heavy equipment and tractors. He also enjoyed building things and had a great appreciation of animals.

Survivors include his wife, Phyllis White Keeler, whom he married on July 28, 1956; two children, Earl A. (Jeannine) Keeler of Cadiz, KY, and Kathy (Michael) Guzman of Orlando, FL; three grandchildren, Eric (Brittany) Keeler, Aimee Keeler, and Andrew (Amanda) Poltorak; and nine great-grandchildren.

Calling hours will be held on Saturday from 9 am – 11 am at the Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, Inc. 111 County Highway (Corner of Route 29 & Black Street), Johnstown followed by a funeral service at 11am. Burial with military honors will be in Foster Hill Cemetery, Galway. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Gideon's International, Sacandaga Bible Conference, Galway Community Library, Galway Preservation Society, Galway Ambulance Corp, Galway Fire Company, or the Greater Galway Community Pantry, in care of the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Foster Hill Cemetery

Galway, NY 12074

Previous Events

Calling Hours

JUL 14. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ *My sympathy and condolences to Phyllis and the entire Keeler family. Earl was a wonderful human being. He plowed my long driveway for years. May God bless him. This wevadm Jesus name.*

Darlene Yeager - July 12, 2018 at 09:14 AM

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“ *So sorry to hear of Mr. Keeler's passing, my condolences to Mrs. Keeler, Earl and Kathy. Lovely memories of attending Sunday school with your family and other fun times.*
Kimberly (Rowe) Holt



Kimberly Holt - July 11, 2018 at 08:11 PM

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“ *Dear Phyllis and family,*

*I was so sad to hear that dear Earl had passed. What a wonderful gentleman he was. I always enjoyed seeing the two of you in church.....definitely a perfect couple. I know
Earl is now in the arms of Jesus free from the fetters of earth. Hallelujah!*

Adrienne Allen - July 10, 2018 at 11:31 AM

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“ *Friends & Family(s) of EARL...Sorry To hear of his Passing!.... The Galway Icon's Work is DONE!..R.I.P. Mr.KEELER ...from the Lesniewski Family..*

BiLL Lesniewski - July 10, 2018 at 09:35 AM

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“ *For years I sent him a Birthday card a month too late!!we will miss sending him a Happy Birthday !, Our thoughts are with you , I know God will stay close to your whole family.You all have been so faithful.We are here if you need us.Lova ya, Betty and Mac*

Mac and Betty - July 09, 2018 at 07:18 PM