



## Ellen Ann O'Brien

January 13, 1952 - December 6, 2022

Ellen Ann O'Brien, 70, formerly of Bear Creek Road, Northville, left this earthly world to go to her eternal rest in Heaven, on Tuesday, December 6, 2022.

She was born in Niskayuna on January 13, 1952, a daughter of Robert E. and Gertha E. Kamper O'Brien. Ellen was a 1970 graduate of Northville Central School. She proudly served in the US Air Force from 1971- 75 and was stationed at the Plattsburgh Air Force Base.

In 1976, she became a civilian fire fighter for the base before retiring due to illness in 1984.

Ellen will be greeted by those who have gone before her, including her parents, her youngest brother, John O'Brien, her beloved beagle, Frosty Joe, other family members and friends.

Survivors include a sister, Gretchen (Roland) O'Brien-Bills; two brothers, Barry (Cheryl) O'Brien and Michael (Phyllis) O'Brien; her best friend, Doreen Banovic; many nieces, nephews, cousins; and dear dear friends. Ellen will be remembered for her goodness, kindness, and generosity to her nieces, nephews, friends, and strangers.

Cremation was performed at Park View Crematorium, Schenectady. In accordance with her wishes, a graveside service with military honors will be held in the spring at Prospect Hill Cemetery, Northville. Memorial contributions may be made to the Brennan Memorial Humane Society, in care of the funeral home. Arrangements are by the Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, Inc. 111 County Highway 106, Johnstown, NY 12095.



# Cemetery Details

## Prospect Hill Cemetery

Prospect Street  
Northville, NY 12134

# Events

**Details are pending.**

# Tribute Wall

JW

“ *My Dear O'Brien clan....Gretchen, Mike and Barry and of course the Bolands and all the kids in the family. Our families were always close, and we will miss Ellen. Ellen always had a nice smile and a sentimental comment. She visited our camp porch quite often and now it occurs to me that she was a lot like her dad. Ellen certainly had all the latest news of the park, however, there was never any judgments or gossip, just knowledge about what's happening here and there. It was a matter of fact news report, she knew what was happening in the park! She really did smile whenever we talked. I am sure her and Joey are both saying to each other in heaven...what are you doing here? A tough year for the families and for the park, Ellen will be missed more than we all know. I am in Florida and will be unable to attend the memorial but please know that I remember Ellen and the whole O'Brien/Bolan clan with love and fond memories.....*

*May the road rise up to meet you.*

*May the wind be always at your back.*

*May the sun shine warm upon your face;*

*the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again,*

*may God hold you in the palm of His hand.*

*Joe & Marilyn Wolfe*

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**Joe Wolfe** - December 27, 2022 at 07:14 AM

TM

“ *Ellen was my great neighbor here on Bear Creek road since the '80s, and her being gone will take a long time to get used to.*

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**Tom McGarry** - December 16, 2022 at 07:49 PM

LG

“ I have missed seeing Ellen in the post office and the many talks we have had throughout the years. We both loved Hope Falls and animals!!  
My sincere sympathies to the family your loss of a really kind soul.

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**Laura Ginter** - December 15, 2022 at 06:28 PM

JD

“ Jan Scott Daly lit a candle in memory of Ellen Ann O'Brien



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**Jan Scott Daly** - December 13, 2022 at 09:21 PM

DW

“ Donna Wood lit a candle in memory of Ellen Ann O'Brien



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**Donna Wood** - December 13, 2022 at 12:53 PM

CF

“ Crystal M Farrington lit a candle in memory of Ellen Ann O'Brien



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**Crystal M Farrington** - December 12, 2022 at 09:35 PM

DP

“ So very sorry to hear this. Ellen was a amazing person with such an upbeat personality. We shared many great laughs in the park. Fly high my friend 🙏🙏

Donna Prevost - December 12, 2022 at 08:06 PM

BC

“ Sending lots of love and fond memories from your MS cousins.

Bera Ellen (Welborn) Casiano - December 12, 2022 at 01:46 PM

JJ

“ Whenever we ran into each other, we had a good chuckle. I'll miss that. Daphne and I are so sorry for your loss.

Jennifer J - December 12, 2022 at 11:23 AM

LB

“ Ellen was instrumental in getting the Class of '70 together this summer at Karen's and glad we were able to spend time with her. Sending our sincere sympathy to her loved ones and friends. Lynne and Pat Barnett

Lynne and Patrick Barnett - December 10, 2022 at 10:26 PM

BA

“ Rest in Peace dear Sister <3

Barry - December 10, 2022 at 03:25 PM

AT

“ I grew up with Ellen, not only as classmate, but as a friend. Any day our paths crossed, my day was brightened. Fly high, sweet friend!

Art Taylor - December 09, 2022 at 02:15 PM

KH

“ Sacandaga Park summer neighbors! I always regarded Ellen as family “ my big sister “. Our friendship was one where we could go years and meet up like it was yesterday. Blessed to have been included in a close family & friends Celebration of Life dinner honoring Ellen in September! Fly high my sweet friend, Always! Kelly and Family ❤️Xo

Kelly Hanaway - December 09, 2022 at 10:47 AM

GO

Thank you Kelly, I am having a reception for Ellen on December 17th at 1:00. I hope you and your family will come by.

Gretchen O'Brien - December 10, 2022 at 11:01 AM

DG

Sorry to hear about your sister,💜🙏

Debbie Vezzi Grant - December 10, 2022 at 01:40 PM

LF

Very very sorry to hear of Ellen's passing. My sincere condolences to the entire family and her close friends.

Lynn Fitzgerald - December 12, 2022 at 06:57 PM

KB

“ I will always remember the great times that we had together. Remember the last conversation we had while you were waiting to become an angel. Fly high my friend until we meet again. Love you now and forever.



Karen Bogusz - December 09, 2022 at 09:28 AM

GE

“ Ellen and I served together in the PAFBFD. Ellen was always a dependable crew mate when we rode tailboard together. I last saw Ellen at the last FD reunion the summer of 21 and was looking forward to seeing her this coming summer. Ellen will be greatly missed. My sympathy goes out to all of Ellen's loved ones. God Bless.

gary eaton - December 08, 2022 at 05:42 PM

SS

“ Sue Schulz lit a candle in memory of Ellen Ann O'Brien



sue schulz - December 08, 2022 at 03:02 PM

SS

“ I know Ellen to always be smiling and very kind..I am deeply saddened to hear of her passing..she was a blessing to have known  
❤️❤️🙏 may she continue to shine wherever she may go

Sue schulz - December 08, 2022 at 02:59 PM

DE

“ Ellencakes was a great friend who i met when she was in plattsburgh and in the Air Force . She always joked about the Matteo join the Air Force and see the world, poor Ellen was sent to plattsburgh, we were the lucky ones.



Debbie Ero - December 08, 2022 at 12:38 PM

SW

“ So sorry. I bet Freda will be there to meet her. RIP Ellen

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**Signe Warren** - December 08, 2022 at 12:12 PM

JR

“ Barry, Michael, Gretchen and Family,

*Our deepest condolences. Ellen was a dear friend and will be missed by many.*

*Sincerely,*

*Janet, Darryl & Liz Roosa*

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**Janet Roosa** - December 08, 2022 at 11:54 AM

BA

*Thank you Janet and Darryl, we appreciate your thoughtfulness. Barry and Cheryl*

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**Barry** - December 10, 2022 at 02:58 PM