



## Gerald A. "Buddy" Capito

January 9, 1935 - January 10, 2025

Gerald "Buddy" A. Capito, 90, of Alplaus, passed away on Friday, January 10, 2025, at Baptist Health Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, Scotia.

He was born in Buffalo, NY on January 9, 1935, the son of Gerald V. and Marguerite Bellinger Capito and was a 1954 graduate of Clinton Senior High School.

Gerald proudly served in the United States Army and was stationed in Germany following the cessation of hostilities during the Korean War. He went on to pursue a career with Ford Tractor and Implement, a division of the Ford Motor Company, where he devoted 32 years of work before retiring in 1990.

Gerald married his wife, Leona A. Pasciak Capito on July 1, 1961. The two settled into the hamlet of Alplaus where they raised four children and created a loving home out of their residence on Riverside Place. Together, they enjoyed picnicking and camping with their family, frequenting several areas throughout the Adirondack Region and relishing their time spent in the great outdoors. Gerald and Leona shared over sixty joyous years of marriage before her passing in 2022.

So many of Gerald's achievements in life centered around his care of and devotion toward his family. He took great pride in his vehicles, home, and yard, and was never one to shy away from admiring a beautiful tractor. Gerald carried a lifelong interest in farm equipment and agriculture and was also known to have a kind and endearing affinity toward animals. He enjoyed attending tractor pulls, county fairs, and car shows of all sorts. Gerald also carried an interest in quality stereo equipment, cameras, and picture taking.

A keen lover of the outdoors, Gerald enjoyed spending time tending to his vast backyard; he could often be found out by the river maintaining the shoreline or working tirelessly in his garage.

In addition to his wife, parents, and sister Roberta Capito Kitchen, Gerald was also

predeceased by his infant daughter, Lisa Ann.

Gerald is survived by a daughter, Bonnie Cloutier of Glenville, NY; three sons, David (Elizabeth) Capito of Rouses Point, NY, Patrick (Carrie) Capito of Perth, NY, and Russell (Lisa) Capito of Ortonville, MI; nine grandchildren, Ben (Jena Contreras) Capito, Laura (Charles) Araujo, Emberly Cloutier, Andrew (Kristina Lalla) Cloutier, Kevin (Bridget) Capito, Molly (Dylan) List, Julie (Ángel) Hernández, Sarah Capito, and Alyssa Capito; a great-grandson, Kieran "Jack" Capito, and great-granddaughter, Ella Araujo; a sister, MaryAlice (Capito) LaQuay of Mansville, NY; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Cremation was performed at Park View Crematorium, in Schenectady, NY. Calling hours will be held on Saturday, April 12, 2025, from 10am-noon at the Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, Inc., 111 County Highway 106 (Corner of Route 29 and Black Street) Johnstown, followed by a prayer service at noon with Rev. Jun Segura officiating. Inurnment with military honors will follow at St. Stanislaus Cemetery Columbarium, Amsterdam, NY. Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to the Adirondack Preservation Society.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Stanislaus Cemetery

Amsterdam, NY 12010

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

APR 12. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Halgas Funeral Home  
111 County Highway 106  
Johnstown, NY 12095  
(518) 883-5323  
debbie@halgasfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.halgasfuneralhome.com/>

## Memorial Prayer Service

APR 12. 12:00 PM (ET)

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111 County Highway 106  
Johnstown, NY 12095  
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## Military Graveside Service

APR 12. 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Stanislaus Cemetery  
Amsterdam, NY 12010

# Tribute Wall



“ *Sincerest Sorrow Blue & White was purchased for the family of Gerald A. "Buddy" Capito.*



April 09, 2025 at 04:28 PM



“ *Sincerest Sorrow - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Gerald A. "Buddy" Capito.*



April 08, 2025 at 06:50 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Yellow and White was purchased for the family of Gerald A. "Buddy" Capito.*



April 07, 2025 at 12:15 PM



“ *Red & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Gerald A. "Buddy" Capito.*



April 02, 2025 at 09:38 PM

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“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



**Russ Capito** - March 02, 2025 at 10:58 PM

LC

“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



**Liz and Dave Capito** - February 23, 2025 at 12:37 PM

BC

“ 9 files added to the tribute wall



**Bonnie Cloutier** - February 19, 2025 at 04:01 PM