



Merwin E. Coolidge

May 28, 1931 - September 8, 2024

Merwin E. Coolidge, 93, of Ephratah, and formerly of Gloversville, passed away on Sunday, September 8, 2024, at St. Mary's Healthcare in Amsterdam.

He was born in Grand Isle, VT on May 28, 1931, a son of Obadiah and Avis Martin Coolidge and attended school there. Merwin moved to New York in 1956 and spent much of his adult life in the Gloversville area.

Mr. Coolidge was a truck driver for Coleco for many years and later with F&F Trucking in Fonda, retiring at the age of 80.

Merwin was a veteran of the US Army and served during the Korean War.

He remained active throughout his life and enjoyed working as well as activities including skydiving, boxing, hunting, and fishing. Merwin loved birdwatching and enjoyed caring for his animals. Most of all, he valued time spent with family and friends.

He married Joan R. Chamberlain Coolidge on October 19, 1957. Sadly, she died August 16, 2016. In addition to his parents and wife, he was also predeceased by a son, Merwin Dougherty; a daughter, Alice Brown; two brothers, Merville and Eldridge Coolidge; a grandson, Evan Coolidge; and a granddaughter, Corylinn Hill.

Survivors include his children, Susan Pare of Colchester, VT, Merwin Coolidge (Misty) of Richford, VT, David (Chi) Coolidge of Cypress, TX, Dennis Coolidge of Burlington, VT, Avis (Clyde) Hill of St. Johnsville, Lawrence (Margaret) Coolidge of Berne, Lilith (Lucas) Baron of Milano, TX, Paul Coolidge (Karen) of Fort Wayne, IN, and Lynn (Oakley) Cole of Gloversville; a sister, Sylvia (Andy) Laramée of Travers, FL; twenty-three grandchildren; twenty-five great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Cremation was performed at Park View Crematorium, Schenectady. A graveside service will be held at Ferndale Cemetery, Johnstown, at a later date. Arrangements are by the Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, Inc., Johnstown.

FINAL BURIAL UPDATE: Final burial will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, June 13, 2025 at Ferndale Cemetery, Johnstown.

Cemetery Details

Ferndale Cemetery

Johnstown, NY

Previous Events

Final Burial

JUN 13. 2:00 PM (ET)

Ferndale Cemetery
Johnstown, NY

Tribute Wall

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“ He was a great man and I enjoyed him as a father in law. My thoughts are with the family

Polly Avery - September 09, 2024 at 07:19 PM

KL

“ Avis, Always enjoyed visiting with him on Thursday mornings at bowling. He always had a smile on his face. Won't be the same not seeing him. My sincere condolences on your loss.

kay Lehr - September 09, 2024 at 04:50 PM

JE

My condolences to all the Families, he was a great man and friend...many pleasant memories of him and Joan....she sure loved her horses and he loved life no matter what he was doing....

Joyce Estey - September 09, 2024 at 10:24 PM

SL

Avis sorry to hear of your Dad,s passing,please accept my truest sympathies

Sheila lewis - September 10, 2024 at 07:19 PM