



## Nelson Christopher "Butch" VanAvery

October 5, 1943 - September 24, 2021

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Fultonville -- Nelson C. "Butch" VanAvery, 77, of Fultonville, passed away on Friday, September 24, 2021 after a brief illness.

Born in Fultonville on October 5, 1943, he was the son of the late Nelson and Anneira James VanAvery.

He was a lifelong area resident and attended local schools.

During the Korean War, Nelson was stationed in Korea and proudly served in the United States Army.

Nelson worked for many years as a Beaterboss and was employed by Sonoco Paper Products in Amsterdam until his retirement.

He was a member of the Pine Tree Rifle Club in Johnstown and was an avid hunter and fisherman, hobbies he loved to share with his kids and grandkids.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by two sisters, Paula Whitman and Noreen Langford.

Survivors include his wife of fifty years, Valorie Ropeter VanAvery whom he

married on July 3, 1971; his children, Tina (Brian) Kearns of Fultonville, Nelson (Rachel) VanAvery of Ilion, NY, Eric (Amy) VanAvery of Fultonville, Annie (Scott) Himpel of Broadalbin, Robert VanAvery of Gloversville, and Amanda Wemple of Fonda; a brother, David (Sue) VanAvery of Rockwood, NY; a sister, Kathy Nunnley of Alabama. Nelson loved his family and above all, he adored his fourteen grandchildren, Cheyenne, Christian, Meghan, Mariah, Cade, Emerald, Nathan, Kailee, Breanna, Kyle, Noah, Leigha, Matthew, and Austin. He is also survived by several nieces, nephews, cousins, and his beloved dog companion, Zoey.

Cremation will be performed at Park View Crematorium in Schenectady. A celebration of Nelson's life will be held October 30th at 2pm at the Gloversville Moose Lodge, 140 East State Street, Gloversville, NY.

Arrangements are in the care of Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, Inc. 111 County Highway 106 Johnstown.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

OCT **30**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Gloversville Moose Lodge  
140 East State Street  
Gloversville, NY 12078

# Tribute Wall



“ Yvonne Masi lit a candle in memory of Nelson Christopher "Butch" VanAvery



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**Yvonne Masi** - October 03, 2021 at 09:55 PM



“ R.I.P. Nelson. You will forever hold a special place in my heart. I remember when you would take me driving and we go to lunch and listen to the oldies. How you would make me laugh. Thank you for being you. And most of all welcoming my daughter as your first grandchild you never looked at her as not yours. May you R.I.P. and watch over us all.



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**Heidi VanAvery** - October 02, 2021 at 06:28 PM



“ was a great man i have many memories. todd wright

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**Todd Wright** - October 01, 2021 at 12:36 PM



“ Heartfelt sympathy to all the family. I'm a cousin, but it's been a long time since we had contact.

*Nancy (Blowers) Parsons.*

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**Nancy Parsons** - September 30, 2021 at 02:36 PM

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“ *Lucy Davis sent a virtual gift in memory of Nelson Christopher "Butch" VanAvery*



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**Lucy Davis** - September 30, 2021 at 02:10 PM

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“ *Shirley Vanavery lit a candle in memory of Nelson Christopher "Butch" VanAvery*



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**Shirley Vanavery** - September 30, 2021 at 12:27 PM

NE

“ *NelsonVanAvery lit a candle in memory of Nelson Christopher "Butch" VanAvery*



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**NelsonVanAvery** - September 29, 2021 at 06:41 PM

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“ *RIP Dad,we Miss you So Much! In our hearts forever and Always! You are an angel watching over All of us! Love you Rachel and Nelson.*

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**NelsonVanAvery** - September 29, 2021 at 06:38 PM

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“ Love you Dad, Rest In Peace 💙



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**Annie Himpsl** - September 29, 2021 at 01:00 PM