



## Settimio "Sid" Della Ratta

August 15, 1933 - March 16, 2022

Settimio "Sid" Della Ratta, 88, of Benedict Loop, Broadalbin, passed away Wednesday, March 16, 2022, at Saratoga Hospital.

He was born at home in Rotterdam, NY on August 15, 1933, the son of Aristide and Josephine Criscuolo Della Ratta and was a graduate of Nott Terrace High School. Sid joined the US Navy after graduation and was a Korean War veteran. He served on the USS Oriskany and was honorably discharged in 1953. Sid later attended Siena College in Loudonville.

Mr. Della Ratta's parents purchased property in North Broadalbin in 1944 and opened a bar and grill, trailer park and a picnic area. Sid took over the bar business and ran it with his wife Betty until 1983 when their son Dean took it over.

Mr. Della Ratta was a journeyman electrician at GE in Schenectady for many years, and a jack of all trades. There were very few subjects he did not know a great deal about. Sid was an avid reader of science fiction. He also enjoyed old musicals and movies. Sid was a ball room dance instructor and loved big band music. He loved living on the Sacandaga Lake and sat near the water almost every day. Most of all, he enjoyed spending time with family and friends.

He was a member of the American Legion Post #337 in Broadalbin for sixty-eight years, as well as the former Kenyetto Masonic Lodge, the 40/8, and the Shriner's. Sid considered himself a staunch Libertarian and was a member of the NRA.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his sister, Philomena; and his son, Dean DellaRatta.

Survivors include his wife, Betty L. Laforthun Della Ratta, his son, Aris (Kristy) Della Ratta; his daughter, Rachel Della Ratta; five grandchildren, Natasha, Alaina, Will, Meagan, and Christopher; a nephew, Jeff; a niece, Denise; and several cousins, including Dale Cristi, who was like a brother to Sid.

Cremation was performed at Park View Crematorium, Schenectady.

Inurnment will be held on Friday, April 1, 2022, at 2 pm at the Gerald B.H. Solomon-Saratoga National Cemetery, 200 Duell Road, Schuylerville, NY. A Celebration of Life will be held at 4pm at the American Legion, Main Street, Broadalbin. Arrangements are by the Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, Inc., 111 County Highway 106, Johnstown, NY.

# Cemetery Details

## Gerald B.H. Soloman Saratoga National Cemetary

200 Duell Road  
Schuylerville, NY 12871

# Previous Events

## Final Burial

APR 1. 2:00 PM (ET)

Gerald B.H. Soloman Saratoga National Cemetary  
200 Duell Road  
Schuylerville, NY 12871

## Celebration of Life

APR 1. 4:00 PM (ET)

Broadalbin American Legion  
19 North Main St.  
Broadalbin, NY 12025

# Tribute Wall



“ Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Settimio "Sid" Della Ratta.



March 23, 2022 at 06:54 AM



“ Dear Betty, so sorry to hear of Sid's passing. my condolences and sympathies to you and your family  
Frank Sorbero

**Frank Sorbero** - March 22, 2022 at 08:14 AM



*I remember Mr Della Ratta from the many years he came in to the Broadalbin Library and borrowed books. I smile as I remember him and our conversations about favorite authors. He was quite a reader. Our deepest sympathy from the Volunteers at the Library.*

**Marianne Milton** - March 23, 2022 at 11:07 AM



“ Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Settimio "Sid" Della Ratta.



March 21, 2022 at 07:16 AM