

Roger W. Gundersen
July 13, 1943 - September 21, 2021

Vernon - Roger W. Gundersen, age 78, a longtime resident of Vernon, passed to his Heavenly Home on Tuesday, September 21, 2021 with his wife, Arlene and son, Roger at his side. All his children were with him virtually, wishing him Godspeed. He saw and heard them all. Born in Hackensack to the late Gunner and Emily Grabley, Roger served in the United States Army, where he served in the Military Police for 4 years in Germany. He was so proud of his country. He had been employed by Suburban Sprinklers in Elmwood Park, before he purchased the company in 1996 and retired in 2007. Roger was an accomplished roller skater at Paramus Roller Rink back in the 60's. He was also an avid bowler for many years. Everyone who was lucky enough to meet him~ LOVED him. Roger was a quiet, gentle man who would help anyone in need. He lived his life with kindness to all. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by his step-son, Daniel Forrester; his sisters, Sonja, Belinda, and Tracy; and his brother, Robert. Roger is survived by wife of 48 years, Arlene and his children, Tammy and her partner Michael, Tara Lyn and her husband Joseph Davidow, Eric and his wife Jamie, and Roger Lee and his wife Lindsey. He leaves his loving grandchildren, Austin, Skylar, Kayla, Kendall, and a grandson on the way, Joey, Madison, Elijah, Alexa, Leah, and Roger, Jr.. He also leaves a brother, Gunner and his wife Sally and a sister, Sgt. Michele Grabley. Friends may pay their respects at a "Celebration of Life" which will be held from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Tuesday, September 28, 2021 at the Pinkel Funeral Home, 31 Bank Street (Route 23), Sussex. The Service will start at 11 a.m.. Interment and military honors will immediately follow at the Northern New Jersey Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Sparta. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Roger W. Gundersen's memory to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Prayers and notes of sympathy can be sent by email to Dans4evermom@embargmail.com. Online condolences may be offered to the family at http://www.pinkelfuneralhome.com.

# Cemetery

# **Events**

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## Northern New Jersey Veterans Memorial SEP Celebration of Life

Cemetery

75 North Church Road Sparta, NJ, 07871

Visitation

09:00AM -11:00AM

Pinkel Funeral Home, Inc. 31 Bank Street (Route 23), Sussex, NJ, US, 07461

### Celebration of Life Service 11:00AM SEP

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### **Comments**



**66** Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Roger W. Gundersen.



September 27 at 11:14 AM



Arlene and Family, I am so sorry for the earthly loss of Roger, but I know Heaven is rejoycing his return. I know Danny and Luke were waiting to greet Roger. Although the times I spent with Roger were few, he left a lasting impression on me with his kindness and conversation. My prayers are with you all and may GOD stay close to you with his comfort in the times ahead.

Love to you all,

Robin

Robin Ross - September 26 at 10:27 AM



**66** Christine Ross lit a candle in memory of Roger W. Gundersen



Christine Ross - September 26 at 10:02 AM



**66** Arlene & Family,

We are so sorry to hear of Roger's passing. What a wonderful, kind, & gentle man he is. Robin and I feel so fortunate to have had the pleasure of meeting and spending time with Roger & Arlene. In 2004 & 2005 we spent time at our cabin in Arizona and shared in the pain of losing Danny & Luke. We all comforted each other while sharing stories of our boys. In 2008 we were welcomed at your home in Vernon and were blessed to meet most of the family. The years have flown by. We will always remember the closeness, the laughs, the special moments, the comfort, and the pain. Emily & Dave also spent some time with Roger & Arlene at a campground in Pennsylvania. We still speak of that amazing visit. Roger will always be remembered by us as such a kind man of few words, but when he spoke it was always something very special and memorable. We will never forget his caring ways. The few times we spent with him has left an undying memory on our hearts. We have been forever touched. I know when Roger crossed over Luke and Danny and so many other family and friends were waiting to greet him. He is at peace in Heaven, the place we all long for. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you in the difficult days ahead. Love,

Christine & Robin & Luke & Emily & Dave.

Christine Ross - September 26 at 09:57 AM



Roger was a wonderful man, husband, father and grandfather. He will truly be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all ~xoxo

Heather Davidow-Giuliano - September 26 at 08:49 AM