



Charles Joseph Colella, Jr.

December 26, 1923 - November 30, 2007

Mr. Charles Joseph Colella, Jr., age 83, of Utica, passed away on Friday, November 30, 2007 at the Loretto Utica Center with his loving family by his side.

Born in Ogdensburg, NY on December 26, 1923, Charles was the son of the late Charles, Sr. and Hazel (Stanka) Colella. He was raised and educated in Little Falls.

During his working years, Charles was the owner and operator of a transport company in Oppenheim, NY. A caring man, he extended himself to any friend or loved one who needed support. His family was the priority of his life. A man of simple pleasures, he so much enjoyed just being outdoors and appreciating nature. He had an abiding love for all animals, especially cats.

Charles is survived by his daughters and son-in-law, Gretchen and Richard Crandall of St. Johnsville, Lisa Beacraft, and Gloria Willet, both of Little Falls; his step-daughter and son-in-law, Kim and Robert Shult of St. Johnsville; his step-son, Charles Colella of Canajoharie; and his many grandchildren, and several great-grandchildren. Also surviving are his sisters, Margaret Brewer of Utica, and Philomena Carbano of Gloversville; his many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews, especially acknowledging his great-nieces, Aimee Champion, Pamora Champion, and Jean Champion. He was predeceased by his companion, Margaret Peggy Surnear who passed away on September 13, 1987.

Visitation will be held Tuesday from 4:00-6:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home,

Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Charles' Celebration of Life which will commence on Tuesday evening at 6:00 at the funeral home, immediately upon conclusion of visitation, with Rev. Anthony P. LaFache officiating. Interment will take place at the Union Mills Cemetery in Broadalbin, NY in the spring.

Tribute Wall



“ Our deepest symphathy to Mr. Charles Colella 's family. Especially to his great-niece Aimee. We are so sorry to hear about your lose!!! If you need a shoulder you know we'll be there...anytime, anywhere !!!##imported-begin##LouAnn Spatola & Kris Mahar##imported-end##

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“ My deepest sympathy to Aimee Champion and her family!!!!!! My thoughts and prayers are with you..I'm here if u need me##imported-begin##Nancy Caruso##imported-end##

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“ Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal. On the death of a friend, we should consider that the fates through confidence have devolved on us the task of a double living, that we have henceforth to fulfill the promise of our friend's life also, in our own, to the world. --Thoreau, Henry David

Please accept my condolences and prayers on the passing of your loved one. May love, peace, and faith comfort all in their sorrow throughout these trying times.

Sincerest regards from a dear friend.##imported-begin##Misty Fabacher##imported-end##

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“ I'AM TRULY SORRY FOR YOUR LOSE,I WILL KEEP YOU ALL IN MY HEART AND PRAYERS ESPECIALLY NOW IN YOUR TIME OF HURT, AND IF YOU NEED ANYTHING PLEASE DON'T HESITAT TO CALL. KEEP YOUR HEADS UP. LOVE YOU ALL.##imported-begin##Keisha##imported-end##

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“ Uncle Chuck, you will be greatly missed...I will miss you always giving the nurses a hard time and being the true "character" that you were...ALWAYS MISS THAT DOUBLE "WINK" of yours...deepest sympathy to my family!!!!##imported-begin##Aimee Champion##imported-end##

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