



Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer

September 21, 1950 - March 8, 2013

Mr. Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer, age 62, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, March 8, 2013 in the comfort and privacy of his home.

Born in New York City on September 21, 1950, Herbert was the son of the late Herbert J. and Jeanie (Callahan) Telfer. He also knew the love and guidance of his second dad and mom, Joseph Sr. and Jennie (Arcuri) Callahan. Raised and educated locally, he was a graduate of Whitesboro High School/Class of 1968. On June 18, 2005 he married the former Tammy DeShane; he embraced life with Tammy, blending their families and sharing a heartfelt commitment.

A strong and honorable man, Herbie was endowed with an industrious work ethic and held multiple jobs. He operated D & S Hauling Company, and Telfer Bedding. He then accepted a position as a security guard at the State Office Building, and currently at Bassett Health Care in Herkimer. He spent his evenings working as a bartender at Bengees Tavern & Restaurant.

Herbie met the needs of his family, especially his children. He blended humor into his life and was quite the jokester. He was also a helpful man with a good heart. He enjoyed camping in the Rome area and relaxing around the flames of a fire pit or a campfire. At home, he reveled in relaxing in his recliner watching television while eating moon pies and sweets with his pitbull Kira by his side. He was deeply spiritual and kept his faith alive.

Herbie is survived by his wife, Tammy; his mother, Jennie of Poland; his children, Ryan Telfer and Angela Matuszek, Victoria Schneider, and David

Telfer, and their mother, Joan Wilcox; Matthew Telfer, James Raynor, and Jessica Molina; the memory of his son-in-law, William Schneider, who preceded him in death; his grandchildren, Katelynn, and Christopher; Lyle, and Jasmine; and his great-granddaughter, Julianna Mae. He also leaves behind his siblings and their spouses, Joseph Callahan Jr., Ferdinand Callahan, Anna and William Bell, Michael Callahan, and Mary and John Metzger; many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, aunts, uncles, in-laws John Sr. and Barb DeShane, John Jr. and Dina DeShane, Lance and Rose DeShane, Jennifer DeShane and fiancé Henry Simard; and the many friends with whom he was blessed throughout his life. He was predeceased by his father, Joseph Callahan, Sr.; and his brother, Louis Callahan.

Herbie's family extends heartfelt gratitude to Utica Police Department officers Sgt. Michael D'Ambrose and David Chirillo as well as the Utica Fire Department EMT's for their efforts and compassion.

Visitation will be held Monday from 4:00-7:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Herbert's funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence on Tuesday morning at 9:30 from the funeral home and at 10:30 at St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church where his Mass of Christian Burial will be offered by Fr. Mark Kaminski.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 11. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.
932 South Street
corner of Hammond Ave.
Utica, NY 13501
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<https://www.eannacefuneralhome.com>

Service

MAR 12. 9:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Eannace Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer



Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. - March 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ To "Herbie's" Family, When I read my morning paper and got to the obits I was in shock and heartbroken when I saw your loved one's picture on that page !!! Herbie was what I call an all-around GOOD man. We were friends for many years -- running into each other periodically; yet when we did run into each other it was like I'd seen him yesterday !!! We shared many a laugh in Bengee's when I would stop in. I have never met a nicer man and I mean that. Unfortunately I was unable to attend his services, but my heart, thoughts, and prayers were with you. It was an Honor and a Privilege to have known such an HOHORABLE man !!! "Herbie", Rest in Heavenly Peace !!! My heartfelt condolences to All, Debbie Brown - Sauquoit, NY (formerly from Utica, NY)



Debbie Brown - March 12, 2013 at 11:20 PM

DB

HONORABLE (Sorry I goofed !!! -Deb B.)

Debbie Brown - March 12, 2013 at 11:31 PM

DR

“ R.I.P .HERBIE

.THE REDNER FAMILY.



Diana Redner - March 12, 2013 at 12:40 PM

DR

“ Herbie , Tammy and I meet you together and we said our goodbyes together. May you be a peace my friend. You will be missed by many.



From Diana Redner

Diana Redner - March 12, 2013 at 12:31 PM

TT

Never say goodbye it is always I will see you later!

Tammy Telfer - March 19, 2013 at 06:16 PM

JM

“ It still seems so unreal that your gone and not at home with us. It was a privilege to know such a good hearted man and such a caring person that I can call my own father. You did everything for my mom and I and I wish I could tell you how much it ment. I never got too say thank you for always being their and caring whenever you could. You always put everyone before yourself. I just want you too know that I truly love you with all my heart and soul and I would do anything too have you walk through that door just one more time.. May you rest in piece, and just know that we're all here (your family) with you through everything and we will never forget you. (Btw you looked so handsome today! And you deserve it!) Love your daughter, Xoxoxo <3

Jessica Molina - March 12, 2013 at 12:26 AM

JM

“ Jessica Molina sent a virtual gift in memory of Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer



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Jessica Molina - March 12, 2013 at 12:14 AM

JM

“ Jessica Molina lit a candle in memory of Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer



Jessica Molina - March 12, 2013 at 12:10 AM

JD

“ JOHN DESHANE lit a candle in memory of Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer



JOHN DESHANE - March 11, 2013 at 07:55 PM

TD

“ Herbie was a great man who touched many lives. As a bartender he was a friend, advisor and counselor. He always had a listening ear and occasionally a joke to tell. I remember how overjoyed he was when he found Tammy to share his life with. It won't be the same without him, he will be dearly missed. God bless you Herbie!



Tom Deuel

Tom Deuel - March 11, 2013 at 06:48 PM

RO

“ Rosann lit a candle in memory of Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer



Rosann - March 11, 2013 at 04:37 PM

DL

“ Denise Lubey lit a candle in memory of Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer



Denise Lubey - March 11, 2013 at 12:56 PM

DL

To a wonderful person who always put others before himself. May the lipstick last forever.....

Denise Lubey - March 11, 2013 at 12:58 PM

TT

I finally was told the meaning behind this statement and know that Herbie is smiling. Thanks for your condolences.

Tammy Telfer - April 02, 2013 at 09:42 PM



“ Peaceful Wishes was purchased for the family of Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer.



March 11, 2013 at 09:21 AM

DK

“ Dawn Keil lit a candle in memory of Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer



Dawn Keil - March 11, 2013 at 09:03 AM

TT

“ Tammy im so sorry for your loss, Herbie was a great guy I enjoyed working with him at the State Office Bldg we shared many wonderful conversations and laughs. I recently had the chance to see him and talk. R.I.P. Herbie gonna miss you pal..

Tony Tucciarone - March 11, 2013 at 08:55 AM

MB

“ Herb was a good friend, a good man, a good bartender, a good caretaker....a good soul. We all at Elite Taxi will miss him very much!

Mike and Bobbie - March 11, 2013 at 08:52 AM

TT

“ Tony Tucciarone lit a candle in memory of Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer



Tony Tucciarone - March 11, 2013 at 08:45 AM

BW

“ *Herb was a good man and will be greatly missed by all of us at UPD.
Inv Bill Williams UPD*



Bill Williams - March 11, 2013 at 08:13 AM

DW

“ *Daniel N Webster lit a candle in memory of
Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer*



Daniel N Webster - March 11, 2013 at 08:05 AM

SW

“ *Sharleen Webster lit a candle in memory of
Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer*



sharleen webster - March 11, 2013 at 07:58 AM

KJ

“ *Kenneth Hobin Jr lit a candle in memory of
Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer*



kenneth hobin jr - March 11, 2013 at 06:12 AM

TT

“ I want to say Thank you all for the candles everyone has lite. I also wanted to say thank you for the condolences and any further condolences in advance as well. I miss him so much and if I could have one thing it would be him back in my life. I don't know how I am going to live with out him and his funny/weird ways that made him the special man he was and always will be in my mind!!

Tammy Telfer - March 11, 2013 at 12:17 AM

PN

“ Patti & Ralph Nitti lit a candle in memory of Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer



Patti & Ralph Nitti - March 10, 2013 at 10:43 PM

TT

Thanks Patti & Ralph. I am missing him so much and I am waiting for him to walk back in the door and tell me it was all a dream.

Tammy Telfer - March 11, 2013 at 12:08 AM

SU

“ Sueann lit a candle in memory of Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer



Sueann - March 10, 2013 at 01:45 PM

SU

99 years went too fast! Say hello to my Mom and your Dad ,be at peace my friend. SYOTOS.

Sueann - March 10, 2013 at 01:48 PM

TT

Thanks Sueann. I realize everyday how lost I am with out him here with me. I wish I could just wake up and he will be right there again.

Tammy Telfer - March 11, 2013 at 12:10 AM

RN

“ *Renee Nelson lit a candle in memory of Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer*



Renee Nelson - March 10, 2013 at 01:07 PM

TT

Thank you Renee. I am sorry I have not got back to you. I am just trying to run through all my memories and think of his smile. I have just been statying home.

Tammy Telfer - March 11, 2013 at 12:11 AM

DA

“ *2 files added to the album New Album Name*



David - March 10, 2013 at 03:54 AM

TT

“ *Tammy Telfer lit a candle in memory of Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer*



Tammy Telfer - March 10, 2013 at 03:46 AM

TT

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



Tammy Telfer - March 10, 2013 at 03:45 AM

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Tammy Telfer - March 10, 2013 at 03:43 AM

DE

“ *Desia lit a candle in memory of Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer*



Desia - March 10, 2013 at 12:13 AM

TT

Thank you Desia. I also want to say Thank you for being here with me and Jessi through the most difficult day of both our lives. We love you!!

Tammy Telfer - March 11, 2013 at 12:12 AM

DO

“ *Dom lit a candle in memory of Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer*



dom - March 09, 2013 at 10:55 PM

TT

Thank You!

Tammy Telfer - March 11, 2013 at 12:13 AM

TA

“ *May you rest in peace and watch over your love ones. You were a great guy and will be missed dearly.*

tanya - March 09, 2013 at 07:52 PM

TT

“ *These have been the worse few days of my life. I think I am still in shock and am waiting for him to walk in the door. We may have had our issues and difficulties but you have been there for me and my children whenever we needed you. You always put everyone before you and never hesitated to make sure everyone had what they needed. You never asked for anything in return. You made everyone laugh with your crazy weird jokes and your own made up words all the time. You will be missed so much and everyday is going to be hard not seeing you come in the house after work and tell your stories of your day. Rest in peace. Give everyone hugs and my love and Pet Domino for me as well. I love you and will miss you!!! RIP HERBIE!!! ?*

Tammy Telfer - March 09, 2013 at 07:24 PM

LA

“ You watched out for all of us. Gone much too soon. You will be missed.

Laura - March 09, 2013 at 05:49 PM

DM

“ More than a guard, colleague, and employee.. Heriberto was a good friend. He will be missed..



Duke and Sue May - March 09, 2013 at 07:45 AM

DM

Herbie. (Auto correct). Ugh....

Duke and Sue May - March 09, 2013 at 07:46 AM

SF

“ Speziale Family lit a candle in memory of Herbert J. "Herbie" Telfer



Speziale Family - March 09, 2013 at 05:41 AM

KH

REST IN PEACE MY FRIEND I LOVE YOU AND I WILL MISS YOU

kenneth hobin - March 09, 2013 at 07:37 PM

GD

Tammy, Your father just told me about Herb. Although I never met him, I've known you since you were a little girl and if he made you happy, he was a good person.. Val and I want to offer you our deepest condolences on your loss.,,, Gene & Val DiFondi

Geno DiFondi - March 10, 2013 at 01:07 PM