



NORMAN A. SAMSON

August 9, 1952 - June 7, 2020

Norman A. Samson, 67, resident of Lakeland, passed away suddenly at his home on Sunday, June 7th. He was born in Cornwall, Ontario and moved to the United States with his parents when he was 4 years old.

Norm enlisted in the US Navy in 1971, was stationed in the Philippines, and served on the USS enterprise during the Vietnam War. He was honorably discharged in 1975.

After serving in the military he obtained his Cosmetology License and worked as a hair stylist at local hair salons. He eventually opened Norman Samson Salon, then Samson & Company, a salon in Syracuse, where he worked until his death. Norm was an avid golfer and was a member of the Bellevue Country Club. He was also active in several local groups including the American Legion, VFW, and Elks Lodge. As a musician he played the guitar, saxophone, and his conch shell horn skills and famous porch bell were enjoyed by all who spent time with him in his home. Norm was a phenomenal cook and he enjoyed fishing, boating, and hunting. His sense of humor and generosity was a gift to everyone who knew and loved him. It will be hard to forget someone who gave everyone so much to remember.

Norman was predeceased by his wife, Charlene (Mineault) Samson, his parents, Jeunard and Georgette (Lamesse) Samson, and brother, David Samson.

He is survived by his sister, Lisa M. Samson, of Pulaski; his niece, Danielle Samson-Keiber; his aunts, uncles, and cousins in Canada, and his loving

partner, Sophia Wales, of Camillus.

Due to Covid 19, a Catholic Mass will be celebrated for Norman and will be announced at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his memory to the Syracuse VA Medical Center Homeless Veteran's Program, 800 Irving Ave, Syracuse, NY 13210 or <https://www.syracuse.va.gov/services/homeless/index.asp>.

BAGOZZI TWINS FUNERAL HOME, Solvay, has care of arrangements.

Please share online memories and tributes at www.bagozzitwins.com.

Cemetery Details

ONONDAGA COUNTY VETERAN'S MEMORIAL CEMETERY - PRIVATE COMMITTAL

4069 Howlett Hill Rd.
Syracuse, NY 13215

Tribute Wall



“ **NORMAN A. SAMSON**

January 21, 2023 at 02:11 PM



“ *It's been a long time since I've seen you but, like everybody else, I'll never forget you. You are a character in the nicest way possible. I don't know anybody elase who smiles and laughed as much as you. RIP my friend. Hortense (Mitch T)*

Mitch - August 02, 2021 at 09:15 AM



“ *I am deeply saddened to learn of Norms passing. To his family please except my heartfelt condolences . I had the pleasure to meet Norman 44 years ago when we worked together. His humor was so infectious. We would laugh until we cried. He was a great man and he will be sorely missed. You'll always have a place in my heart Norm RIP 🙏❤️*

Susan Clement - August 10, 2020 at 01:27 PM



“ *My dear sweet man I miss your , face, smile, jokes, laughing ,cooking, ,kindness, gentleness, going to the movies every Tuesday, my special breakfast BLT'S, watching TCM,Home Shopping ,QVC, holding hands,cuddling ,your Kisses and Hugs your smell. What am I to do now with out you by my side. My heart is broken . Love Love You Your girl,Phia. LuLu ,Lucy,FeFe. ❤️❤️❤️💋💋💋*

Sophia Wales - July 19, 2020 at 06:16 PM

KK

“ Lisa, my fondest memory is being at your family home where you all played instruments and you guys gave me an instrument I could handle... spoons! Wow. Your family taught me an instrument! And from another post I too remember Norm with his horn. May he rest in peace with your dad, mom, and brother. So sorry for all your losses. Love you to peices.
Kersten Klinge



Kersten Klinge - July 13, 2020 at 12:01 PM

ES

“ It still has not hit me that Norm has passed. I will treasure our friendship forever. I feel so lucky that we spent this past Christmas with Norm and Sophia. We had a beautiful time together we all put together a wonderful feast and great company and lively discussion. My daughter May and her significant other Raul were also there. When May was little, Norm would tease her and say Hi April or is it June, My daughter would definitely reply" My name is May!" It was so cute. I met Norm approx. 30 years ago, I worked with Charlene who passed away 7 years ago. He loved her dearly. I was thrilled when he met Sophia. I know he considered himself the luckiest man in the world to have two great loves. Norm loved his family and treasured his friends. I am going to miss him terribly. May his memory be eternal!!!

Elizabeth Steinberg - July 09, 2020 at 01:13 PM

KM

“ PHIA, I am so saddened over the sudden loss of your friend. Hoping the memories you shared will bring you some sort of comfort. So sorry you had to endure this again. Prayers and thoughts are with you

karen maurer - June 15, 2020 at 10:46 PM

AM

“ I still can't believe your gone. We meet when I started hairdressing 36 years ago. You always were positive, funny & generous. I enjoyed are conversations about cooking & sharing recipes. I'm happy you are reunited with Charleen & mom & dad. I know you are above guiding us all. Rest In Peace. Until we meet again.

Angela McBride - June 15, 2020 at 08:39 PM

TK

“ Oh Norm- in the words of James Taylor - "I always thought I'd see you - one more time again...." I am so very sorry to see you go, but so very happy for you too. God Bless.
Maybe we will meet at that bar in heaven....."Lulu" Terry Kotlarz

Theresa A Kotlarz - June 15, 2020 at 04:22 PM

CS

“ I'm going to miss you! Godspeed Norm!

Chris Sedlack - June 15, 2020 at 12:22 PM

BB

“ I had the extreme pleasure and honor of meeting "sweet Norm" last September (you can see by his picture how sweet & nice of a person he was). He was very thoughtful, kind & generous. I have been a long-time good friend of his loving partner, Sophia (Phia) Wales for many, many years and I was SO very happy for both of them to have found each other. They were so much alike and had fun together, which both of them truly deserved! My heart breaks for my dear friend & for Norm's family.

Beverly & Frank Bertoni - June 14, 2020 at 12:22 PM

LD

“ We met Norm at The Liverpool Elks Lodge about 25 years ago. He and my husband Larry made an instant connection since Larry was also a Vietnam Vet. Norm stayed in touch with Larry during his illness and now they are in a better place together. Norm was a kind man and a pleasure to be around. I will miss him not being on this earth.
LuAnn

LuAnn T. Dobson - June 14, 2020 at 11:07 AM

CW

“ Sorry for the loss of norm he was a great person I knew norm from parking in the lot for many years he will be missed

chris wiater - June 14, 2020 at 07:21 AM

MS

“ I had the privilege of having Norm as my hair stylist t Samson and Co until I moved to Florida. May he Rest In Peace. My condolences to the family. Mary Stimson

Mary Stimson - June 13, 2020 at 06:51 AM