



Robert (Bob) Eugene Perrella

March 21, 1926 - May 19, 2021

Robert (Bob) Eugene Perrella, 95, passed away peacefully on the morning of May 19, 2021 at St. Mary's Hospital in Amsterdam, New York. Born on March 21, 1926 in Gloversville, he was the son of the late Joseph and Martha (Perrone) Perrella.

After graduating from Gloversville High School, Robert enlisted in the United States Army Air Corps and served in the Philippines. Upon his honorable discharge, he attended college at St. John's University in Brooklyn, New York and received his Bachelor's degree. He went on to attend law school, but with the expansion of his father's glove-making company, Joseph Perrella Gloves Inc., Robert became vice president and worked alongside his brother Frank. Upon the sale of Perrella Gloves in 1982, he went on to establish B & G Leather outlet store from where he retired in 2008.

He was a communicant of the former Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and Sacred Heart Church in Gloversville where he sang in their choirs along with his wife, Gloria and was a member of the Holy Name Society. On June 22, 1957, at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Robert married Gloria Helen Semione. He was a lifelong resident of Gloversville. In 2017, he entered Palatine Bridge Nursing Home and in 2019, Gloria joined him there until her recent passing this past April.

Robert was involved in numerous community organizations including the Catholic War Veterans, the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Salvation Army, the Trinity Cadets, the Concordia Singing Society and most notably as chairman of the Gloversville Parade Committee. This included placing flags on deceased veteran's graves for Memorial Day in which his children also participated in over many years. He was also an honorary city firefighter. Amongst the various civic awards bestowed upon him, in June 2004 he was given the Salvation Army Lifetime Membership award and was especially known for his devoted participation in the annual Christmas Kettle Campaign. In June 2016, Robert also received the Doc Crandall Rotary Community Service award.

Robert took great pride in caring for his home which included tending to his expansive vegetable garden and swimming pool of which were open to many friends and extended family members and also enjoyed feeding the various animals that came in his yard. He loved to make homemade wine with his father-in-law Joseph Semione and his brother-in-law Bruce Frank as well as singing with his friends to the residents at the Nathan Littauer Nursing Home. His love and compassion for country, community, family and friends came from a selfless heart and contagious spirit that he happily shared with others.

Robert is survived by his children: Michael Perrella of Gloversville, Angela Perrella of Cohoes, Edward Perrella (Jay DuBois) of Palatine Bridge, Mark (Kathleen) Perrella of Niskayuna and Stephen Perrella of San Diego, California. He is also survived by his four grandchildren: Brian Perrella and Stephanie Cozzolino of Gloversville, Sarah (Alex) Jongeling of Latham, and Kristen Perrella (Zack Fitzsimmons) of Worcester, Massachusetts. He also has four great grandchildren: David, Dylan, Kaitlyn and Rebecca all of Gloversville. Robert had a very close, lifelong relationship with his only brother Frank Perrella who currently resides in Gloversville. He also leaves behind several cousins and numerous nieces and nephews.

Robert is predeceased by his beloved wife of 63 years, Gloria Perrella.

Calling hours will take place on Monday, May 24, 2021 from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM at Amico Funeral Home, 150 South Main St, Gloversville. A prayer service will be held on Tuesday, May 25, 2021 at 9:00 AM at Amico Funeral Home, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 9:30 AM at the Church of the Holy Spirit, 153 South Main St, Gloversville. Burial will follow at Mt. Carmel Cemetery in Johnstown. Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of your choice.

The family would like to thank all those who cared for Robert at Palatine Bridge and St. Mary's Hospital and the outpouring of love we have received from family and friends.

For more information online please go to:

<https://www.amicofuneralhome.com/obituaries/>

Cemetery Details

Mount Carmel Cemetery

State Highway Route 29
Johnstown, NY 12095

Previous Events

Calling Hours

MAY 24. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Amico Funeral Home
150 S Main St
Gloversville, NY 12078
(518) 725-8916
<https://www.amicofuneralhome.com>

Prayer Service

MAY 25. 9:00 AM (ET)

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Mass of Christian Burial

MAY 25. 9:30 AM (ET)

Church of the Holy Spirit
153 S Main St
Gloversville, NY 12078-4219
(518) 725-3143

Tribute Wall

JS

“ *My dear friend Stephen and extraordinary Perrella Family,*

How lucky I have been to know your father's friendship! He had a contagious j'oise de vivre and deep and dedicated love of family, community, an friends. I never shared a moment with him that did not include his gift of making me laugh.

Unquestionably, your most amazing mother Gloria was his extraordinary soulmate, his heart, his everything, and you and your siblings are perfect testaments of their incredible love. I know they are in heaven, perhaps sampling favorite concoctions from your mother's recipe book that only they can taste or dancing together to Italian melodies that only the two of them can hear.

*With peace and prayers,
Jackie & The Summers Family (Kathy, Jade, Jasmine, Mary, Carl, and Bobby)*



Jacquelyn Summers - June 01, 2021 at 06:58 PM

MB

“ *I'm so sorry to hear about your Dad Mark. He is now with your mother though and very happy. They are both together now Mark.*

Mike Barrie - May 24, 2021 at 08:45 AM

KB

“ *I'm very sorry to hear of your father's passing. May your happy memories of him help you through this difficult time.* ”



Kathy Kunicki Brojakowski - May 23, 2021 at 07:20 PM

JG

“ *Joseph Giardino lit a candle in memory of Robert (Bob) Eugene Perrella* ”



Joseph Giardino - May 23, 2021 at 12:51 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert (Bob) Eugene Perrella.* ”



May 23, 2021 at 08:07 AM

MI

“ *Mike purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Robert (Bob) Eugene Perrella.* ”



Mike - May 22, 2021 at 02:01 PM