



Henry Novak

October 5, 1928 - April 13, 2023

Henry (Hank) Novak, age 94, passed away peacefully on Thursday, April 13, 2023, at his home after a brief illness. He was born in Cohoes NY to parents Peter Novak and Mary Kulik Novak. He was pre-deceased by his 6 brothers, Edward (wife Betty), Felix (wife Verge), Frank (wife Helen), John, Stanley and Zygmunt (wife Florence); and two sisters Helen Ketz (husband John) and Isabel Graham (husband Tom).

Henry leaves behind his wife of 68 years, Theresa Valentini Novak, a son (Paul Novak) and daughter-in-law Carla Mogavero Novak. He also leaves behind a sister-in-law, Norma Novak, and many nieces and nephews.

Henry graduated from Cohoes High School and from the Veteran's Vocational School (later known as Hudson Valley Technical Institute) with a degree in electrical engineering. Henry served as a Marine from 1946 to 1948 at the end of World War II. He worked for over 35 years at the General Electric in Waterford as an electrician and later in his career as an administrative supervisor. Henry lived his faith. He was an active member of St. Michael's Church, Cohoes, NY.

Henry was a craftsman and enjoyed designing and creating furniture and other items. He took pride in the accomplishment of having personally built his home. After retirement Henry enjoyed golf, gardening, wintering in Florida, traveling with his wife, dining out and spending time with family and friends.

Henry's wife and son wish to thank his many nieces, nephews and friends who provided support and help in recent weeks as Henry's health was declining. Their kindness and attentive care is greatly appreciated.

There will be a Catholic Service in Henry's memory at St. Michael's Church, Cohoes New York on Tuesday, April 18, 2023, commencing with at wake at 10:00 am followed directly by a funeral mass at 11am and interment at the Gerald B.H. Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery.

If desired, family and friends may make memorial contributions to the American Heart Association, 4 Atrium Dr. #100, Albany, NY 12205 or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Cemetery Details

Gerald B.H. Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery

200 Duell Road
Schuylerville, NY 12871
[http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/geraldbhso
lomonsaratoga.asp](http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/geraldbhso
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Previous Events

Visitation

APR 18. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Michaels of Cohoes
36 Page Avenue
Cohoes, NY 12047
<http://www.stmichaelsofcohoes.org>

Service

APR 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ At family reunions when I was young, I remember thinking Uncle Hank was really funny. I am so sorry for your loss.

Audrey Tweedie Esposito - April 18, 2023 at 09:25 AM

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“ Sunnyview Family purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Henry Novak.



Sunnyview Family - April 17, 2023 at 11:11 AM

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“ Henry, better known as Hank, was a longtime friend of the O'Grady family. They lived next door to each other for many years. Consequently, when I married Harold O'Grady, over 64 years ago, I also became a friend of Hank's. He never changed. He was always happy, most of the time, thoughtful and kind. A better friend no one could have. Hank and Teresa were a special couple. I, personally, will miss his gracious smile. However, I'm sure he will be smiling when he meets up with his old buddies from Cohoes. God bless them all...

Henrietta O'Grady - April 16, 2023 at 11:34 PM

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“ Uncle Hank, will always be fondly remembered as a wonderful person. My life has been blessed by having him as my uncle. May he rest in peace.

Anna Marie Sepe - April 15, 2023 at 08:34 AM