



Lawrence John Stevens Sr.

April 13, 1943 - October 22, 2024

Lawrence John Stevens, Sr., 81, of The Villages, Florida and a long-time resident of Salem CT, passed away peacefully on October 22, 2024. Larry lived a life marked by dedication to his profession, love of animals and helping people.

For over 50 years, Larry worked as a trusted insurance agent, helping family and businesses across the region. Known for his honesty, warm smile, and commitment to doing right by others, he built long-lasting relationships that went beyond business.

Larry was a Justice of the peace for the state of Connecticut and performed many beautiful wedding ceremonies. He would spend hours meeting with couples and personalizing their ceremony just for them. Larry was a licensed Nuisance Wildlife Controller; he helped many people get rid of unwanted creatures. He also served as the Commissioner of Planning and Zoning in Salem for many years.

Larry loved dancing, fishing, golf, entertaining, traveling and taking care of his animals on the farm. Farming was a passion that connected Larry to the earth and his animals brought him immense joy and pride.

Larry is survived by his beloved wife, Lyn, his son, John Stevens (Maryanna),

daughter, Heather Rumm (Philip), stepdaughters, Heather Vance and Colleen Tavano, sister, JoAnne Carter (William), brother, Ronald Stevens (Darlene), brother-in-law Jim (Jill) Lager, sister-in-law, Barbara Stevens, grandchildren, Michael, Christopher, Taylor, Noah, Lindsay, Ashley, Brad, Drew, Jason and Makayla, his many nieces and nephews, and a close-knit community of friends and neighbors who cherished his kindness and concern for others. He was predeceased by his parents and his brother, Bill.

Larry, Uncle Larry, was known for giving out angel pins and before Christmas he would spend hours making Uncle Larry's Reindeer Flight Food, he leaves behind a legacy of love, loyalty, and devotion to family and work.

A Celebration of Larry's Life will be held on November 11, 2024 from 5:00 to 8:00 PM at the Riverbend Recreation Center 1833 Corbin Trail in The Villages. Burial will be on November 16, 2024 at 10:00 AM in Saint Benedict Cemetery 1 Cottage Grove Road in Bloomfield, CT. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Ray of Light Farm, East Haddam CT, reflecting Larry's life-long love for animals.

Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home of Leesburg, Florida.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

NOV **11**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Riverbend Recreation Center
1833 Corbin Trail
The Villages, FL 32163

Interment

NOV **16**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Saint Benedict Cemetery
1 Cottage Grove Road
Bloomfield, CT 06002

Tribute Wall



“ *Beyers Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Lawrence John Stevens Sr.*



Beyers Funeral Home - October 31, 2024 at 01:07 PM

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“ *We were very sorry to learn that Larry passed away. I always enjoyed seeing Larry in the office. After discussing any medical issues, we would then catch up on what was going on with our families. Of course he would then give me an angel pin. We are sorry for your loss. Dick and Maureen Fraser*

Dick & Maureen Fraser - November 04, 2024 at 12:00 PM

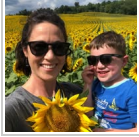
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“ *Dear Lyn--*

Uncle Larr was one of the good guys walking the earth while here and a friend who will surely be missed. Many good golf times and Saratoga Springs trips will always be fondly remembered.

Stan and Di Stanzione

Ralph Stanzione - November 03, 2024 at 04:30 PM



“ *Todd Nechamen lit a candle in memory of Lawrence John Stevens Sr.*



Todd Nechamen - October 28, 2024 at 10:52 AM



“ *God speed Larry I will miss you old friend, such fun and love you shared with me for so many years. Lyn, so sorry for your loss .*
Arlene Beninato

Arlene Beninato parent - October 27, 2024 at 07:11 PM



“ *My Uncle Larry always made our visits fun when I was younger, sharing his passion with his small animal farm in Salem, Ct. Then came his angel pins and signature reindeer food that he gave out to many. I do remember calling him "Crazy Uncle Larry" sometimes, but all along he was a unique, cool guy!*
RIP Uncle Larry

Lauren Lizotte - October 26, 2024 at 10:33 AM