



## Gerald A. Roberts

January 8, 1930 - March 25, 2025

Gerald Austin “Jerry” Roberts of Camillus passed away on March 25, 2025. He was born in Amsterdam, New York in 1930, the only offspring of Jeremiah “Jerry” and Emma Roberts and resided there until a job related move here in 1959. His father served in the U.S. Army in France in WWI and later as Amsterdam’s highly respected Chief of Police.

He graduated from High School in 1947, from the Bentley School of Accounting and Finance in Boston, Massachusetts. In 1949 and was employed in financial positions at the Mohawk Carpet Mills in Amsterdam for 3 years and at General Electric in Schenectady and Syracuse for 39 years; as supervisor of the H&R Block Tax Office in Camillus for 3 years and in Customer Service at Hallinan’s Wines and Liquors in Fairmount for 14 years.

He enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve on December 7, 1949, exactly 8 years after the attack that precipitated our country’s entry into WWII and regularly attended local Reserve Meetings and training at Camp Drum, Fort Dix, Fort Lee and Fort Totten over the next 7 years.

An active Mason and Shriner for 70+ years with membership in the York and Scottish Rites and the OES, he served as Patron of the Order of Eastern Star Chapter in Camillus in 1978 and 1982, Master of Sapphire Lodge also in Camillus in 1984, District Deputy Grand Master in 1988 – 1989 and as the

Tigris Shrine Potentate in 2001. Was Chairman of the multi-district publication "The Word" for some 25 years; was Treasurer of the Board of Governors of the Shriner's Hospital for Children in Springfield, MA and attended Board Meetings there during his 9 year tenure. Achieved Emeritus Status in 2010. Was also a long-time member of the Immanuel United Methodist Church in Camillus.

Predeceased by his parents, his wife of 42 years Irene in 2001, son Craig in 2012 and a multitude of pets.

Surviving are his son Glenn (Tamre), daughters Sheryl Madlin, Lynn Rice (Reiner), and Gayle Roberts; 13 grandchildren and numerous great grandchildren.

A Masonic service will be held on Monday, March 31st at 6:00 pm at B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home, 10 Genesee Street in Camillus. There will be no calling hours. A private funeral will be held as well as private burial in Woodlawn Cemetery, Syracuse.

In lieu of flowers, please consider in-memory donations to the Shriners Hospital for Children, 516 Carew Street, Springfield, MA 01104 or online <https://www.shrinerschildrens.org/en/locations/new-england/about-us/ways-to-give> or to an Animal Charity of your choice.

Please sign his guestbook at [www.BLBUSH.com](http://www.BLBUSH.com)

# Previous Events

## Masonic Service

MAR 31. 6:00 PM (ET)

B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home  
10 W. Genesee Street  
Camillus, NY 13031  
(315) 672-3400  
info@bushfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.bushfuneralhome.com/>

# Tribute Wall



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**B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home / Monuments** - June 30, 2025 at 02:47 PM

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“ I enjoyed visiting with Mr Roberts during office calls with his beloved pets. .

**Penny Tucker** - April 02, 2025 at 06:43 PM

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“ Sincerely, Deb, Jessica & family, Eric & Kim purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Gerald A. Roberts.



**Sincerely, Deb, Jessica & family, Eric & Kim** - March 28, 2025 at 10:08 PM

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“ Sincerely, Deb, Jessica & family, Eric & Kim planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gerald A. Roberts.

**Sincerely, Deb, Jessica & family, Eric & Kim** - March 28, 2025 at 10:08 PM



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**B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home / Monuments** - March 28, 2025 at 09:06 AM



“ *Love your G&C Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Gerald A. Roberts.*



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**Love your G&C Family** - March 27, 2025 at 08:50 PM