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Gerald George Millett, Sr., 64, of LaFayette, New York, passed away Saturday, May 14, 2011 at University Hospital in Syracuse, New York.

Mr. Millett was a life resident of the Syracuse area and was previously employed as the parts manager at Regal Buick. He taught his children an appreciation of the beauty of nature and the outdoors. He is a member of LaFayette Columbian Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are his two daughters, Kate Farwell of Syracuse, New York and Martha (Raymond) Feleppa of Milford, Pennsylvania; three sons, Gerald Millett ,Jr. of LaFayette, New York, Barney Millett of Syracuse, New York and Philip (Vanessa) Millett of Marcellus, New York; one sister, Linda Carol (Tony) Cavallo of LaFayette, New York and four grandchildren. Mr. Millett was preceded in death by his parents, George and Lily Eloise (Beckman) Millett.

Funeral Services will be held Wednesday, May 18, 2011, 10:00 a.m. in LaFayette Columbian Presbyterian Church, Corner of Route 20 and Route 11, LaFayette, New York 13084.

Burial will be in LaFayette Rural Cemetery, Route 11, LaFayette, New York 13084 where a joint committal service for Gerald and his mother, Lily Eloise, who passed away January 13, 2011 will take place.

Calling hours will be held Tuesday, May 17, 2011, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home, Inc., 2584 Field Lane LaFayette, New York 13084.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gerald George Millett*



Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home - May 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Cousin Gerry...Your spirit and love will flow forever in the hearts of your children, family and friends. You have remarkable sons, daughters, and grandchildren that will keep your memory dear in their hearts. I saw a proud and beautiful family at your service. Your pain is gone and you are now free.*

May 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *During my adult life, my relationship with my dad was complicated. Much of that through no fault of his. I've always wrestled with and pondered why, but never with as tender a heart as I have over the last few months.*

Actually, maybe it was all his fault! My expectations of my dad were built on my childhood experience with my dad. And, let there be no doubt, the Millett children had some super fantastic childhoods!

Our parents made absolutely certain that our childhoods were blissfully innocent and full of wonder & love.

My Papa was a wonderful father to a little girl.

You might find this big, hulking, dark, bearded man twirling "round the livingroom at midnight with a 3yr old in a prom dress. Sitting down for tea & crumpets when he dance was done. His idea, not mine - simply because it would make me happy.

You might find him building the world's best treehouse, wriggling through a recently dug snow tunnel to further clear the way, painting a bike just the perfect shade of blue and adding sparkly silver handlebar tassles to make it just right, tending to any small thing in distress, hiking through a state park & pointing out the wonders at every turn - helping our imaginations and minds to blossom.

Yup, the expectations I held for my dad were such that, in a frequently recurring dream, he would literally fly in to rescue me and drop me safely on a favorite green, sunlit hill.

But, my dad was just a man. Just a man with human emotions, strengths and flaws.

As an adult, I realize how sad it is that he never recognized his own worth and that, by failing to see that in himself, how that crippled him.

He was just a person. Shaped by the things that made his life. Not recognizing that made it impossible for him to change those things about himself that frustrated us so as we grew older.

But, those things that we perceived as weaknesses or flaws - many of them, not all - were frustrating to us, to me, only because we loved him so much.

Only because we wanted him to be able to share in the joys we felt. Only because we wanted him to be able to be happy.

*It was a long road, Papa. I'm so glad it was you who was there at the beginning to hold my hand and show me the way. We hurt each other many times as we traveled that road. For a long time, I couldn't even see you. But, somewhere near the end of that road, we wound up hand in hand again.
And, I know that made both of us very happy.*

May 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Gerry and I had many days of fun and Laughter during our youth and throughout our school years. I had not realized that Mom and Dad had predeceased Gerry. Please know that I think of all of you often. His memory will stay in my heart forever, as well as your Mom and Dad. Love and sincere sympathy to all who remain without him.

May 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Gerry was a wonderful person and will be missed greatly. Rest in Peace my friend!

May 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Jer, we will miss you and know you will forever be in our hearts and thoughts. Our heart felt sympathy to your loving family. Love, Peg and family

May 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM



*“ Gerry was a gentleman and a gentleman. We enjoyed getting to know him. He was a gift to all.
Our deepest sympathy to his family.*

May 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM



*“ Brother,
How I will miss your phone calls, your stories, your love. We shared so much of life, how can I ever forget you? I will hold you in my heart forever. Even if you don't believe you made a difference in this world, rest now knowing you made a huge impact in the lives of many. Rest now and be happy. I love you.*

May 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM



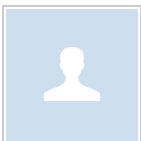
“ To the Millett family - I'm very sorry to hear about your loss. Please know that I'm thinking of you.

May 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM



*“ To the Millett Family,
I am sorry to hear of your Dad's passing!! My thoughts and prayers are with all of you!! God Bless!
Love,
Mchelle*

May 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ We are so sorry to hear of your loss. You are in our prayers and thoughts.

May 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Deepest Sympathies to the Millett Family. I know there are no words to ease your loss, however you are in the thoughts & prayers of many.*

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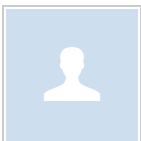
“ *RIP Mr. Millett. May your family find peace at this time.*

May 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *To the Millett family,
My deepest condolences to you all. I worked with Gerry for several years at Regal Buick but knew him for a very long time. He was a good man and a great father...I loved his stories and his sense of humor. I can still hear his laugh. He will be missed. We lost a good one...Gods Speed Gerry...*

May 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *I'm very sorry to hear of your family's loss. We never know what blows we'll be dealt but I'm sure your family memories will keep Gerry near to your hearts.
Deepest sympathy*

May 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Tony and I are still in Florida but send our condolences to all the Millett and Cavallo family at Gerry's passing. He went through a lot and hopefully the thought that he is at peace now will ease your sorrow. I was touched reading that he and Eloise will be buried at the same time. Now Mom, Dad and son are together again.
Sincerely, Tony and Mary (Stevenson) Stimson

May 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Martha and family:

We are thinking of you and your family. We know that your dad has gone through a difficult time and is now at peace.

Love and Prayers:
Your Center for Discovery Family

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“ Gerry and I went to LaFayette School together and raised our family in LaFayette. He was good friend in school and all the ups and downs of we had in our adult life. All my love to his children and grandchildren.

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“ *Brother,*

How I'm going to miss your stories, your phone calls, your requests for "pepsi, Kentucky Fried Chicken, McDonald's Angus Beefburgers, fish on Fridays and subs from the Nice N Easy". Mostly, I'm going to miss seeing your face. You protected me when we were little - you were always the Big Brother, and I, the little sis. You were there for me in my teen years, and I was there for you in your grown-up years. I love you, and I know that you are now finally well, at peace, and with the people that loved you sooooo much, Mom and Dad. Thank you for being my brother, Jer.

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“ *Thinking of the entire Millett family. So sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers are with you.*

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