



Vincent Nicholas Stefanski

September 3, 2012

Vincent Nicholas Stefanski April 23, 1945 September 3, 2012 Vincent Nicholas Stefanski, 67, of Otisco, New York passed away Monday, September 3, 2012 after a courageous battle against ALS. Mr. Stefanski owned and operated Vinnies General Store in Otisco, New York. He was a Navy veteran of the Vietnam War, proudly serving on the USS Robert R. Wilson. Vinnie also enjoyed fishing and Syracuse University sports and was an avid bowler. He was a graduate of Central High School in Syracuse where he played basketball and baseball. Vinnie is survived by a daughter, Elizabeth (Scott) Edinger of Otisco, New York; two sons, Christopher Stefanski of Cincinnati, Ohio and Matthew (Heather) Stefanski of Raleigh, North Carolina; three sisters, Frances (William) Brown of Texas, Margaret (Terry) McDonough of Cato, New York, Mary Pouliot of Camillus, New York; four granddaughters, several nieces nephews and cousins. Services will be Thursday, September 6, 2012, 7:00 p.m. at Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home, Inc., 2584 Field Lane, LaFayette, New York 13084. Calling hours will be Thursday, September 6, 2012 from 4:00 7:00 p.m. at Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home, Inc., 2584 Field Lane, LaFayette, New York 13084. In lieu of flowers, please consider contributions in Vinnies memory to ALS Association, 890 7th North Street, Suite 108, Liverpool, NY 13088 or Veterans Administration Medical Center, 800 Irving Avenue, Syracuse, NY 13210.

Tribute Wall



“ *From all of us at The ALS Association, Upstate NY Chapter, we were so sorry to hear about Vinnie. I had the pleasure of meeting him at the clinic and he smiled and joked despite his difficult circumstances. Today ALS is incurable, but we'll continue to work hard to find a cure so others don't have to suffer this despicable disease. Our condolences to the entire family.*

*Kathy
Heather
Monica
Kate*

September 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *To the family and friends ..I am very sorry to learn of the loss of Vinnie..*

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“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to all of the family. I remember how much fun he was at Heather and Matt's wedding.*

Trish Meredith

September 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I am very glad that i got the chance to meet and take care of Vinnie. He was a very sweet man. He always knew how to make you smile. He will be greatly missed and I will never forget him. Taking care of people is a hard job and you try not to get attached, but i was with Vinnie and took care of him almost everyday that I was at work. I even told him I see him more than my son who he always asked about. I will never forget the last time I talked to him a couple of days before he passed away. It was a pleasure to meet Vinnie, and again I am very glad I got to help him within the last year.

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“ Vinnie was a great friend and like a brother. He will be greatly missed.

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“ Mary & Family, From all the stories I have heard, it sounds like Vin was a wonderful man who loved his whole family. You have alot of great memories and a very close family to hold on to. My prayers are with you.

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“ We are very sad for your loss. Uncle Vinnie will always be remembered for his love of fishing and always calling us kids "Lil' Weasel's". We send our prayers to you to comfort you during this time. Nephew, Kevin and family

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“ *Im very great full for the time I spent will Uncle Vinnie I have found memories of the store
Nothing like a coke in a glass bottle and a candy to run around the store with devil(dog)he always made me feel special introducing me to all the customers he was always upbeat and friendly.
He liked to fish and run around like one of the kids and that never changed he spent many years making trips to Texas for a visit making lasting impressions on my kids and grand kids even took Tanner on his first kid fish and in our most recent visit to New York showed him to eat fries with vinaigrette. I will miss him sorry I couldn't be with my family today I'm there in spirit big hugs and kisses fron his niece Denise*

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“ *to the family of vinnie our thoughts and prayers go out to you.just remember he is in gods hands now and he will be watching down on the family to steer you in the right direction.*

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“ *Liz, Scott & girls,
We are so sorry for your loss. We'll always remember your Dad...."Vinnie's" has always been a landmark in Otisco. You're all in our thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.
Jeff, Jackie & family*

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