



Mr. Terrence G. Hesselstine

August 17, 1943 - January 5, 2026

Terrence G. Hesselstine, 82, of Burke died Monday, January 5, 2026.

Born on August 17, 1943 in North Burke, NY he was the son of Charles and Mazie (Gray) Hesselstine.

On June 4, 1966 he married Lynn M. Steenberge at the Burke Methodist Church with Richard Case officiating.

Terry graduated from Franklin Academy with the class of 1961. He attended SUNY Morrisville College and graduated in 1963. After graduation, he worked in Cazenovia for a short time before returning to Burke and purchasing the Burke Farm Supply, which he owned and operated for 50 years. He was a member of the Burke Volunteer Fire Department for 50 years as well as the Franklin Snowmobilers Inc. and the Johnston Hunting Club. He enjoyed spending time at his camp on Upper Chateaugay Lake. He loved to snowmobile, buying his first sled from John Harvey. He helped cut brush and maintain snowmobile trails as well as hunting club trails. He also enjoyed to go four-wheeling, hunting and fishing.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Lynn; two sons and daughters-in-law, David and Shannon Hesselstine of Burke, Christopher and April Hesselstine of Chateaugay; five grandsons, Collin and his companion, Amaya, Spencer and his companion, Sigourney, Garret, Brady and Evan; two great grandchildren, Violet and Rhett; a brother and sister-in-law, Charles and Elaine Hesselstine; a sister, Dawn Wilson of Gananoque, Ontario; a brother-in-law, Ronald Steenberge and his companion, Lorraine.

Terry was predeceased by his parents; two brothers-in-law, Scott Steenberge and Donald Wilson; as well as a niece, Pamela Hesseltine.

A celebration of Terry's life will be held at the Burke Fire Station on Thursday, January 15, 2026 at 1 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Terry's name may be made to the Burke Fire Station.

Arrangements are with the Chateaugay Funeral Home. Online condolences may be offered at www.chateaugayfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN 15. 1:00 PM (ET)

Burke Fire Station
1041 County Route 23
Burke, NY

Tribute Wall

LW

“ *My Sincere Sympathy to you Lynn, Dave and Chris. Your Dad will definitely be missed and remembered as a gentle man. Rest easy Terry you will not be forgotten. AFA, The Whitney Family.*

Leslie Whitney - January 10 at 12:27 AM

VC

“ *Sincere sympathy to you Lynn and your boys and families. I'm so very sorry to hear of Terry's passing. Many years ago Terry was in our wedding and was a good friend for many years. We have many fun memories of those days to treasure for a lifetime. Please know that I am thinking of you and praying that God gives you strength in the upcoming days. RIP Terry.*

Virginia Collins - January 09 at 02:55 PM

PS

“ *It's been such a pleasure to spend time with Terry and Lynn. I'll never forget the last ride in Terry's neighborhood. Talked about everything. Such nice memories.*

Pauline spinner - January 09 at 01:43 PM

PS

My condolences to Lynn and family

Pauline spinner - January 09 at 01:46 PM

LJ

Lynn and family I am so sorry to hear of Terrys passing. My heart goes out to you all.....Terry was one of the Burke boys, he will be missed by so many! Just know my thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. RIP Terry

Linda H Jefferso - January 10 at 01:46 PM

AC

“ *My deepest sympathies and condolences to the entire Hesseltine family.*

Arlie Collins

Arlie Collins - January 08 at 06:03 PM