



## Mr. Ralph E. Lener

February 20, 1939 - July 22, 2025

The Lener family would like to announce the recent passing of Ralph E. Lener in his home on Tuesday, July 22nd. He leaves behind his wife of 64 years, Margaret J. Lener, his three children, Ed (Dawn), Elizabeth (Rob) and Jeff (Nicole) Lener and three grandsons, Aaron, Malcolm and Ezra.

After marrying Margaret in 1960, they moved to Hawaii where Ralph served in the army for two years. Upon their return to the East Coast, they moved to New Jersey where Ralph finished his degree in Industrial Arts at Trenton State. After teaching for two years, he became a personnel technician for the state of New Jersey. Shortly before the birth of their first son, Ralph built the first of what would be many homes for his family in Flemington, NJ.

In the early 80s the family, then with three children, moved to Trumansburg, NY where Ralph built the home where they still live. Ralph and Margaret joined the United Methodist Church, where they made many friends. For many years, Ralph ran a small sheep farm while Margaret ran an in-home daycare. Ralph will be deeply missed by his family and friends.

Funeral services will be held on Monday at 11 a.m. at Ness-Sibley Funeral Home 23 South St. Trumansburg, N.Y. Prayers of committal will follow in Grove Cemetery, Trumansburg. If you wish to make a donation in Ralph's honor, please consider the Trumansburg United Methodist Church.

Arrangements are under the direction of Riccardi Funeral Home 69 N. Main St. Cortland, N.Y. 13045

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