

# Obituaries

All obituaries must be submitted by email by 10 a.m., Mondays, to [obituaries@theobserver.com](mailto:obituaries@theobserver.com). Payment is due at submission.

## STEVEN PEKEROSKY

Steven Pekerosky died Monday, June 14, 2021, at Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville.

He was 96

A funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Cecilia Church, Kearny. Interment was in Holy Cross Cemetery, North Arlington.

Born and raised in Edwardsville, Pennsylvania, Steve lived in Kearny for the last 72 years.

Mr. Pekerosky served in the United States Army during World War II.

Steve worked as a dispatcher for Motor Freight Express in Jersey City and later Elizabeth, for 20 years before retiring in 1987.

He was a member of the Wilson-Gugelman Post 1302, V.F.W. in Kearny.

He is survived by his son, Joseph Pekerosky, one brother, Paul Pekeroski, one sister, Helen Sambo, three grandchildren, Veronica Valli, Laura Dibiasi and Frank Pekerosky and six great-grandchildren, Wilson, Jackson, Ryan, Christopher, Nicholas and Madsion. Steven

was predeceased by his wife, Veronica (Olenik) Pekerosky, one daughter, Veronica Huley, one son, David Pekerosky, two brothers, John and Joseph Pekerosky and two sisters, Anna and Irene.

## THOMAS STOKES

Thomas Stokes, died Wednesday, May 19, 2021, at NJ Veterans Memorial Hospital.

He was 74.

Funeral services were private and in the care of the Armitage & Wiggins Funeral Home, Kearny.

Born in Kearny, Thomas was a lifelong resident He was the owner of The Gin Mill in Kearny for many years. He also was a member of the VFW in Kearny.

He was the beloved husband of Cynthia Stokes (nee Milewski). Cherished father of Thomas (Francesca) and Brian (Debra). Loving grandfather to Abigail, Ingrid and Ricky. He also leaves behind his sister Ellen Carpenter.

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