



## Richard James Keegan

December 27, 1942 - March 22, 2015

ALBANY- Richard James Keegan, 72, Died suddenly on Sunday, March 22, 2015 at home. The son of the late Karl Keegan and Mary Gossi Keegan, "Richie" or "Fonzie" as he was known to friends and family was an exceptional athlete graduating from St. Joseph's Academy in 1962. In his Senior year "Richie" was named to the "All-Albany" Senior Basketball Team for the Capital Region. After Graduating, he enlisted in the US Army in 1962 and served one tour of duty in Germany, he was honorably discharged in 1966.

Richie joined the Albany Police Force in 1966 and quickly rose through the ranks to become the youngest police officer to be promoted to Detective. Richie was active in the Police Athletic League and organized and led many softball organizations in the South End and Arbor Hill. He retired as a Detective in 1991 after 25 years and traveled across the country with his wife. Richie loved spending time with his family traveling many summers to Cape Cod and Atlantic City. He especially loved dancing, fishing, politics and watching the New York Mets. He was an active member of St. Joseph's Academy Alumni group.

He was the loving husband of the late Colleen Welch Keegan, loving father of Kimberly Ann Keegan, Richard James (Amber) Keegan, and Melissa Colleen Keegan. Proud Grandfather to Ryan James Keegan. A devoted brother to Carl Keegan (Lorraine), Eugene (Genie) Keegan and sister, Sylvia Keegan McGahay. He is survived by many admiring nieces, nephews and former law enforcement colleagues.

Funeral services Thursday, March 26, 2015 at 8:45 am from Lasak & Gigliotti Funeral Home, now located at 208 North Allen Street, Albany thence to the Historic Church of St. Mary on Capitol Hill at 9:30 am where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated.

Relatives and friends are invited and may visit Wednesday, March 25, 2015 4:00 to 7:00 pm in the funeral home.

Interment St. Agnes Cemetery, Menands.

To leave a message for the family, obtain directions, light a candle or view other helpful services, please visit [www.LGFuneralHome.com](http://www.LGFuneralHome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## St. Agnes Cemetery

48 Cemetery Ave  
Menands, NY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR **25**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Lasak & Gigliotti Funeral Directors  
208 North Allen Street  
Albany, NY 12206  
(518) 463-1566

## Service

MAR **26**. 9:30 AM (ET)

Historic Church of St. Mary on Capitol Hill  
10 Lodge Street  
Albany, NY

# Tribute Wall

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“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I will always remember your father as a very kind man. Sending my love support and prayers....Theresa Tenace

Theresa Tenace - March 26, 2015 at 10:53 PM

DC

“ Rich was a great guy and fine Albany Police Officer,my condolences and prayers go out to his family,he will be dearly missed.RIP Rich

Denny Clancy - March 25, 2015 at 06:56 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard James Keegan.



March 24, 2015 at 06:01 PM

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“ To the Keegan Family:  
I am so sorry for your loss. I will remember the good times at Ma Cain's when she was caretaker at the TenBroeck Mansion. I always beat him when playing poker, maybe he let me win because he knew how strapped I was.  
RIP Richie  
Lynn Rhatigan

Lynn Cain Rhatigan - March 24, 2015 at 02:35 AM

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To the Richard Keegan Family  
So sorry for the loss of your dad he was a really sweet man and will be missed by all who knew him. Will miss talking to him on face book.

Donna Bates Bond

donna bond - March 24, 2015 at 12:47 PM