



## Edwin N. Tompkins

December 7, 1935 - September 9, 2018

Edwin Niles Tompkins passed away peacefully on Sunday, September 9 after a six-year battle with prostate cancer.

He is survived by Catherine, his wife of 63 years, four children Wendi (Mike) and Guy (Alana), Shawn (Joseph) and Penny; five grandchildren, Shane (Lisa), Ryan (Talie), Samuel, Clara and Troy; two great-grandchildren, Emma Vance and Cricket and brothers William (Penny), Thomas (MaryAnn), Lynn (Linda).

He is predeceased by his parents Niles and Grace, mother and father-in-law Guitano and Mary Esposito, son-in-law Jeff Martinez, and also numerous beloved brothers and sisters-in-law.

Edwin was born in Medusa, NY on December 7, 1935. He moved to Coxsackie and, later, Athens and recently attended the 65th high school reunion of Coxsackie-Athens Class of 1953.

He was an Air Force Veteran with the Strategic Air Command as a Tailgunner on a B-36. He was a member and past Captain of W.C Brady's Volunteer Fire Company of Athens.

He was a longtime lector of St. Patrick's and St Mary's Catholic Churches. He

retired in 2004 from LaFarge Cement Company as the Safety Coordinator and Heavy Equipment Operator. He joyously enjoyed NASCAR, country music, his son's and grandsons' stock car and quarter-midget racing days, boating on Lake George, snowmobiling, skiing, and his extensive collection of cowboy boots !

He was forever a family man and devoted and dutiful husband. He spent much of his life enhancing the betterment of his family and community. He laid the foundation for his children and grandchildren to build their futures based on his ideals of hard work, honesty, compassion, respect and above all faith and love.

A memorial service will be held on Wednesday September 12 from 4 to 7pm at Richards Funeral Home, 28 North Vernon Street, Athens, N.Y.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Greene County Woman's League P.O. Box 341, Round Top, N.Y. 12473.

Condolences may be made at [www.richardsfuneralhomeinc.net](http://www.richardsfuneralhomeinc.net).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **12.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Richards Funeral Home - Athens  
28 North Vernon Street  
Athens, NY 12015  
(518) 945-1065  
[info@richardsbradysfh.com](mailto:info@richardsbradysfh.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ So sorry for you loss. Always loved seeing him in church, he always made you feel welcome.

Patricia Gilmore-Salvino - September 13, 2018 at 05:42 AM



“ Shawn, I am so sorry to hear of this tremendous loss. Please accept my most sincere condolences. I will keep you and your family in my prayers.

Kristen Sammarco - September 12, 2018 at 11:39 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Edwin N. Tompkins .



September 12, 2018 at 09:41 AM



“ Love, Kara, Michael, Grady, Avery, Natty & Ryleigh purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Edwin N. Tompkins .



Love, Kara, Michael, Grady, Avery, Natty & Ryleigh -  
September 12, 2018 at 09:33 AM

PB

“ *Pauline Palmateer and Paula, Courtney & Robert Butler purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Edwin N. Tompkins .*



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**Pauline Palmateer and Paula, Courtney & Robert Butler -**  
September 11, 2018 at 02:57 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edwin N. Tompkins .*



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September 11, 2018 at 10:26 AM

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“ *Diamond Glass Family purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Edwin N. Tompkins .*



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**Diamond Glass Family -** September 11, 2018 at 09:17 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Edwin N. Tompkins .*



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September 11, 2018 at 06:47 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Edwin N. Tompkins .*



September 10, 2018 at 07:15 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Edwin N. Tompkins .*



September 10, 2018 at 06:55 PM



“ *Dear Dad,  
I will remember and love you always.  
Thank you for everything you have ever done for me, taught me and your unconditional love for me and my family. You will be missed more than you will ever know but will never be forgotten. I love you Dad* ❤️



**Wendi (Tompkins) Carroll** - September 10, 2018 at 06:28 PM



*Our deepest sympathies to a wonderful family in this time of loss. Ed was a fine, upstanding man who was deeply committed to his wife, his family, his church & his community. We always respected him & admired him. God Bless & God Speed. He was loved & will be missed.  
John & Dana Masselli.*

**John & Dana Masselli** - September 11, 2018 at 05:17 AM

WC

*Thank you for your beautiful words.*

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**Wendi (Tompkins) Carroll** - September 13, 2018 at 06:40 AM

JO

*So Very Sorry for your loss. God Bless. JoAnn O'Donnell*

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**JOAnn ODonnell** - September 22, 2018 at 03:04 PM