

Anthony Mario Sano

Clifton Park – Anthony Mario Sano, 67, avid Yankees fan, passed away on Monday at Daughters of Sarah Nursing Home, Albany. Born in Albany on April 24, 1951, he was the son of the late Anthony Mario Sano, Sr. and Mary Kathleen Wood Sano.

Tony was a lifetime resident of the capital district, graduating from Guilderland High School in 1969. He later received his Associates Degree from Schenectady County Community College, his Bachelor's Degree in Music from SUNY Albany, and his Masters of Music Degree from Hartt School of Music, Hartford, CT.

Tony was a Professor of Music at Schenectady County Community College for many years, and former president of the college faculty. He also served as a reader of the AP Music Theory exam.

As an avid musician and classical guitarist, Tony performed and recorded with the Empire Jazz Orchestra, the Mendelssohn Club, and Albany Pro Musica among others. He also played with several rock, zydeco, and blues groups in the local region and throughout the East Coast.

Tony is survived by his wife of 21 years, Heather Jones Sano; his beloved children, Christopher MacLean Sano and Madelyn Claire Sano; his sister, Pat (Ken VanDeWal, Jr.) Canaday; his nephew, Jay (Jocelyn) Canaday; aunts, Loretta Garrah and Barbara J. (the late Merry Agnes Donlon) Wood; mother in law, Sara MacLean Walker (the late Wilson) Jones; sister in law, Janet (the late John) Stebbins; brother in law, Thomas (Lisa) Jones; and several nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews, and cousins, Seamus, the dog, and several beloved cats.

In addition to his parents, he is predeceased by several aunts and uncles.

Relatives and friends are welcome to join the family for visitation on Wednesday, May 30th from 5-7pm at Tebbutt & Frederick Memorial Home, 633 Central Avenue, Albany. A funeral service will take place at 10 am on Thursday, May 31st at Saratoga United Methodist Church, 175 5th Avenue, Saratoga Springs, NY. Reception to follow.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Tony Sano Scholarship fund at Schenectady County Community College, 78 Washington Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12305 or the Mohawk Hudson Humane Society, 3 Oakland Avenue, Menands, NY 12204.

The family would like to thank the nurses and staff at Daughters of Sarah for the amazing care Tony received.

His amazing humor and vibrant spirit will be greatly missed.