



Wallace Bitters Jr

June 2, 1931 - June 6, 2024

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Of North Tonawanda, age 93, passed away on June 6, 2024, following a lengthy illness.

Wallace was born in North Tonawanda on June 2, 1931, son of the late Wallace Sr and Hazel (Gilbert) Bitters. He attended local school and graduated from North Tonawanda High School.

Wally had a life-long love of movies that progressed during his time serving in the Armed Forces in the early 1950's. An illness forced Wally into prolonged stay in the base hospital while at boot camp. It was during that time that he volunteered to show movies donated by the major studios to the service men. He traveled with his 16mm projection equipment to various service bases and hospitals. Upon his release from the service he continued with his hobby by starting "Bitter's Film Service" where he bought and sold 16mm films to other collectors throughout the country. Soon afterwards he managed the team at Renner Motion Pictures, a full-service film and projection supply shop.

Following this, he joined the team at Delaware A-V as an audio-visual supply specialist. He was well known in the WNY film collecting community. During his lifetime Wally collected every gauge of movie media made - 16mm, Super 8, video tape, laser disc, and finally DVDs. Upon his retirement he spent his time as an avid theater movie-goer and enjoyed his collection.

Services will be private and burial will be in the family plot at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Shelby New York.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Pleasant Cemetery

Shellby, NY

Tribute Wall

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“ Wally was a co-worker and friend of our family for more than 20 years. My late husband David Wolpert and Wally were both film enthusiasts. He visited our home often and our work let us see him almost everyday. He was a great person and a loyal friend. Time separates us all but he is thought of a lot. Please accept my deepest condolences.

Maria DiPasquale

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