



David J. "Dave" Hess II

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David J. "Dave" Hess II, 58, of Clay, passed away on Tuesday, September 23, 2025, after a courageous battle with brain cancer. As he would say, he lived well past his expiration date.

Dave was born and raised in Syracuse and graduated from Niagara University in 1990. Dave was a beloved member of the Clay community and devoted more than three decades to National Grid (formerly Niagara Mohawk), retiring in 2022. Dave's commitment to public service was evident in his many roles within the Town of Clay, most recently as a respected member of the Town Board, where he demonstrated leadership, compassion, and an unwavering sense of civic responsibility. His contributions touched countless lives, leaving a lasting impact on his colleagues, customers, and the town he so deeply loved.

Known for his lively nature, Dave was truly a friend to all. His larger-than-life presence could light up any room, bringing comfort and joy wherever he went. Above all, Dave was a devoted family man whose greatest happiness came from time spent with his "beautiful bride" and his "favorite son/favorite daughter."

His love and guidance will live on in the hearts of those he loved most.

Dave's strength, kindness, infectious humor, and unforgettable laugh will be deeply missed but will remain forever present in the stories and memories shared by his family and friends.

Dave was predeceased by his parents, David and Mary Ellen (Terry) Hess; and his in-laws, Carl and Mary Ann Dobe.

Dave is survived by his loving wife, Kristin Hess; their children, David Hess and Kelsey Hess (Ryan Linnertz). Dave is also survived by his siblings, Terry (Brian) Haug, Kim (Pete) Di Francisco, Cindy (Bob) Hess-Berry, Sheila Hess, and Janis Happick; his aunt, Maxine Dobe, and the entirety of Kristin's family, whom Dave embraced as his own.

He is also survived by his enormous circle of friends, we wish we could name everyone but know how much your love and support meant to him and his entire family.



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Calling hours are Monday, September 29, 2025, from 3:00 – 6:00 P.M. at the THOMAS J. PIRRO JR FUNERAL HOME 3401 Vickery Rd. (Corner of Buckley Rd.) Syracuse, NY 13212.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Hospice of CNY 990 7th North Street Liverpool, NY 13088.



Events


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Visitation

 **Monday**, September 29, 2025

 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM ET

 **Thomas J. Pirro Jr. Funeral Home**
3401 Vickery Rd, Syracuse NY 13212





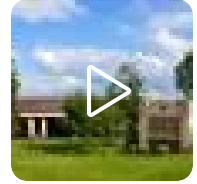
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Thomas J. Pirro Jr. Funeral Home shared a **Video**.



September 26 at 11:35 AM



John Scala posted:

Hi Kristin and family. So sorry to hear of Dave's passing. For some reason "the good they die young"! I especially enjoyed Dave and my working relationship when we got assigned to a special project back in 1997-1998 that both of us didn't like too well - - - but we had many laughs through out it. Please remind whichever child was born around that time that it was me who drove Dave to the hospital to meet you there Kristin since he didn't have a car to get to St Joes. Niagara Mohawk/National Grid's street lighting will be shining a little less without his service. May he now be resting in peace. John

October 1 at 2:33 PM



Shelly Polge lit a candle in honor of David.

Dear Maxine, Sending my deepest sympathy to you and your family. God Bless, Shelly

September 29 at 9:52 AM



Aramis Cornier posted:

Kristin and family, Please accept my most sincere condolences. I'm so grateful to have met Dave personally and share some good times and laughs with him. He was a kind and loving person and my heart is pained by his passing. May God cover you with love, peace, and comfort during this time. Sending hugs your way, Kristin. Love ya!

September 29 at 8:45 AM



Joe And Rosanne Hebert lit a candle in honor of David.

Kristin and family So very sorry for the loss of David. May the memories you share bring you comfort. May he Rest in Peace.

September 29 at 5:33 AM





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Anonymous sent a Guiding Light Bouquet to the Hess II family.



September 26 at 4:12 AM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Hess II family.



September 25 at 5:55 PM



Ah&H sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Hess II family.



September 25 at 12:08 PM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Hess II family.



September 25 at 11:00 AM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Hess II family.



September 25 at 6:51 AM



John And Linda Arcangeli posted:

Happy Hour at our house will never be the same. We're going to miss that robust laugh and discussions about anything and everything. Rest in peace my friend.

September 25 at 5:00 AM



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John And Linda Arcangeli sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Hess II family.

September 25 at 4:46 AM



John And Linda Arcangeli planted a Memorial Tree in honor of David.

September 25 at 4:46 AM



Kimberly Catalano posted:

Kristin and family - I am so sorry your loss. He was an amazing guy and I was happy to have been able to meet him briefly last year. You and your family have my deepest condolences during this difficult time.

September 25 at 4:27 AM



Hope Patterson posted:

Kristin I'm so sorry for your loss. I'm happy I had a chance to meet Dave. I could see the love and happiness between you. Praying God gives you comfort during this time. Lean on him for strength. Keeping you in my prayers.

September 25 at 4:06 AM



Anonymous sent a Tender Tribute to the Hess II family.

September 25 at 3:56 AM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of David.

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BD

Brittany Denslow posted:

Kristin, I'm so sorry for your loss. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. - Brittany Denslow

September 25 at 3:56 AM

CG

Cat Giroux posted:

Dear Kristin and Family, My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Cat

September 25 at 2:49 AM

PD

Pat Driscoll posted:

Kristin and family....my sympathies on the passing of Dave. He was a wonderful man who always had a kind word for many. I wish you peace and comfort in the days ahead.

September 24 at 6:08 PM

CS

Cathy Santocki lit a candle in honor of David.

Kristin, so very sorry to hear of Dave's passing. Please know you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. Ron and Cathy Santocki

September 24 at 5:45 PM



SB

Sharon Bentzoni lit a candle in honor of David.

So sorry for your loss. My deepest condolences to you and your family

September 24 at 1:27 PM



Anonymous sent a Joyful Memory to the Hess II family.

September 24 at 1:17 PM





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Scott Greenleaf lit a candle in honor of David.

My deepest condolences to you Kristen and family!!

September 24 at 1:06 PM





Media

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring David by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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