



Samuel Albert Epperly

March 15, 2021

Samuel Albert Epperly, 71, a longtime resident of Sussex, N.J. died suddenly of a heart attack on Monday, March 15, 2021. Sam was born in Santiago de Cuba, son of the late Manuel Lambert Epperly, Sr. and Silvia (Vidaud) Epperly.

Sam graduated from Leonia High School in Leonia, N.J. He worked in retail all his life, following in his father's footsteps. He worked in two family businesses, managing the Ben Franklin Store in Kinnelon and the Ben Franklin Store in Wyckoff. After they closed, he worked in various positions in retail. He was an expert at figuring out the top selling products especially for the toy department. In 1988, he married the love of his life, Patty (Rueckemann) and raised two beloved children, Sammy II and Alyssa Hill, recently married to Dion in a memorable and joyous ceremony in the Catskills. Sam is survived by his two sisters, Silvie Epperly and husband Arnold Breisblatt and Patricia Epperly and husband James Rusche; his brothers, Lambert Epperly and wife Laura, John Epperly and Robert Epperly and sister-in-law Christel Jones and husband Talmadge. He is also survived by many nephews and nieces.

Sam was a kind and loving husband, father, brother and uncle. He could find the humor in every situation. He found the joy of faith in God and pursued it until his untimely death. Interment will be private at George Washington Cemetery, Paramus, N.J.

Cemetery Details

George Washington Memorial Park

234 Paramus Road
Paramus, NJ 07652

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall



“ *Samuel Albert Epperly*

October 08, 2023 at 09:59 PM



“ *Samuel Albert Epperly*

October 08, 2023 at 06:27 PM



“ *Samuel Albert Epperly*

August 30, 2022 at 02:48 PM



“ *Just heard of Sammy's passing; Way too soon! Lost track of you since high school, but remember the good and fun times we had together there. You were a low key and funny guy. You will be missed Sammy. Peace, Love and Condolences to the rest of the Epperly family. Jim Jonson*

Jim Jonson - March 31, 2021 at 11:29 AM



“ *My most sincere condolences to the Epperly family. Sammy and I were schoolmates and I think of him every time I hear the word “indubitably”. In our senior year, he could always be counted on to respond in most conversations with one simple word -“indubitably”! That always made me smile and still does to this day. You will be missed Sammy Epperly by all who knew you. Erika Nelson Boras*

erika nelson boras - March 28, 2021 at 04:58 PM



“ Dear Epperly cousins, I am so sorry to hear about your loss. Sam's picture reminds me of our big brother Pat, who would have been similar in age to Sam. I know how heartbreaking it is to lose a brother. I wish we could have seen you all more often. And I wish we could be there now to share hugs and tears. Please know you are all in our thoughts and prayers. Love, Cousin Connie (Kay King) Buechele

Connie Buechele - March 23, 2021 at 02:22 PM

SE

Thank you, Connie. So lovely and thoughtful that you sent flowers. We will miss our sweet, funny brother very much.

Silvie Epperly - March 27, 2021 at 07:30 PM

AJ

“ Aunt Marcy and your cousins Beth Connie & Jennifer purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Samuel Albert Epperly.



Aunt Marcy and your cousins Beth Connie & Jennifer -
March 23, 2021 at 01:18 PM

BD

“ Patty Epperly, I am so sorry for the loss of your Brother Sam.



Barbara Dlusky - March 23, 2021 at 08:24 AM

SL

*Goodbye Sam From ur classmate Susan Crommie from class68.
Thanks for being a great friend*

Susan Crommie Langan - March 25, 2021 at 12:53 PM

SL

“ *Goodbye Sam u will be missed
I went to LHS CLASS OF 68
WITH SAM HE WAS THE SAME AGE AS ME I TOO AM 71 GOD
SPEED SAM I ALWAY THOUGHT OF U MY FRIEND.*

Susan Crommie langan - March 23, 2021 at 04:44 AM

JD

“ *One of the most clever people I know . A great up beat personality.
He was a good friend. May he Rest In Peace*

Jim Davidson - March 22, 2021 at 06:29 PM

JB

“ *Much love ❤️ and my condolences 🌸 to the whole wonderful
Epperly family.*

Julianne Metzdorf Benisch - March 22, 2021 at 03:43 PM

SE

We appreciate your consoling words, Julianne. Thank you.

Silvie Epperly - March 27, 2021 at 07:34 PM

RB

“ Rest Well in Everlasting Glory Sammy. Thinking of my other family. The Epperly Family brings a huge smile and wonderful memories of a home filled with love, laughter, fun, and amazing food. Your home was always inviting with controlled chaos just like mine, which made it so normal and comfortable. We lived loving your warm smile and gentle way. Your cool vibe was so charismatic. I'm blessed to have had your entire family in my life in Leonia. Forever in our hearts.
Rose Ann Mascia-Boylan

roseann mascia boylan - March 21, 2021 at 08:49 PM

JS

Sam Epperly, my dear first cousin who I barely knew. I pray you will Rest In Peace in Our God's Arms. Juanita (Nita) Santos Michel, eldest of cousins from Minnesota

Juanita S.Michel - March 22, 2021 at 09:01 PM

JS

I must add my sympathy and prayers to my Epperly Cousins, Sam's grieving sibling, With my love & prayers, Nita

Juanita S.Michel - March 22, 2021 at 09:11 PM

JE

Its Jamie, a cousin from Minnesota son of Alice and Ted Epperly, brother Robert and Richard, all have past. I send my condolences to the family with love.

Jamie (James) Epperly - June 19, 2021 at 01:27 AM



“ I loved Sam. His sense of humor always stood out to me. He was my best brother, no doubt. He was a kind and gently soul but could me in my place when he had to. We used to go disco dancing together. He was a great dancer who took over the dance floor. He was a body builder and avid bicyclist. He loved movies and had a successful business on the internet selling religious oriented shirts, posters and statues. This was his personal ministry to spread the word about his love of Jesus Christ, the Savior of mankind. I am missing you now, and always will my good brother. Once again, I love you. Robert.

Robert Epperly - March 20, 2021 at 07:59 PM

BG

Haven't seen him since high school, but my memories are of a very sweet, kind person. My sincere condolences to all.

Barbar Galasso - March 22, 2021 at 04:24 PM

SL

TO SAMS FAMILY I WENT TO HIGH SCHOOL WITH SAM I ALWAYS ASK HIS BROTHER HOW HE WAS. MAY SAM REST IN PEACE. GOODBYE SAM A FRIEND AND CLASSMATE

Susan Crommie langan - March 23, 2021 at 04:37 AM

PW

We just received word from my mom, Nita, of your terrible loss. My prayers are with you and the entire Lambert and Sylvia Epperly clan. Patrice Michel Weinberger

Patrice Weinberger - March 23, 2021 at 07:51 AM

JK

I remember Sam teased me when we came to visit Uncle Lambert and Aunt Sylvia. He had a great smile and was fun to be around. Love to all the family. Sending prayers as well.

Jennifer King Kinser - March 23, 2021 at 12:55 PM

JL

*My prayers to the Epperly family. Sam was a friend many years ago.
This is indeed sad news.*

justin o'neill lenahan - March 23, 2021 at 04:51 PM

EL

*Great memories with great music in the air
- downstairs @ the Epperly home.
Warm, Loving family.
Condolences to the family.*

Ernie Liberatore - March 23, 2021 at 11:20 PM