



## Mr. Gerald Otto Kraus

July 8, 1964 - February 6, 2024

Mr. Gerald O. Kraus of West Seneca, passed away on Tuesday, February 6, 2024. He was born in Buffalo New York on Wednesday, July 8, 1964, the son of the late Otto and the late Rita [nee Nanni] Kraus. Gerald had a career as a truck driver for the Erie County Public Library System.

Beloved husband of Marie C. [nee Czerniejewski] Kraus. Dear stepfather of Scott Zotara, Jessie Zotara and Tracey Suess. Step grandfather of Scott, Jr., Alyssa and Zachary. Fond brother of Mark [Lori] Kraus and uncle of Joseph and Nicholas Kraus.

Family and friends will be received on Friday, February 9, 2024, between the hours of 4:00 -7:00 pm at the Kevin M. Mason Funeral Home, 154 Weimar Street [at the corner of Casimir Street.] Gerald's Funeral Service will take place Saturday, February 10, 2024, at the funeral home. Buffalo Hospice Chaplain Donald Blesnuk will officiate. Entombment will take place at St. Adalbert's Cemetery. The family has requested that expressions of sympathy may be directed to Hospice Buffalo 225 Como Park Boulevard Cheektowaga New York 14227. On the memo portion of your check please write "Gerald O. Kraus". The family would like to acknowledge all of your support, prayers and concern at this time.

Everyone is cordially invited to leave a message of condolence, share a favorite memory and light a candle on Gerald's tribute page.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Kevin M. Mason Funeral Home, 154 Weimar Street Buffalo, New York 14206. [716] 362-0199 Fax: [716] 462-

5355 email: [kevinmmason@yahoo.com](mailto:kevinmmason@yahoo.com) [www.kevinmmasonfuneralhome.com](http://www.kevinmmasonfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## St. Adalbert's Cemetery

6200 Broadway  
Lancaster, NY 14086

# Previous Events

## Family and Friends

FEB **9**. 4:00 PM (ET)

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154 Weimar Street  
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## Funeral Service

FEB **10**. 12:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

MK

“ My condolences to the family and close friends ... I have been wondering how Jerry was doing since I had not seen or heard from in a while and just found this sad news. Always enjoyed talking with Jerry and sharing music and record collecting stories. He will be missed .....RIP  
Mike K

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**Michael Kucharski** - April 06, 2025 at 03:27 PM

BN

“ I will truly miss Gerald. He and I liked many of the same bands and I loved looking at his record collection. He also took me to one of my first concerts. We went and saw The Who in 1989. It's a memory I will treasure. He will be missed.

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**Brandon Nanni** - February 10, 2024 at 07:40 PM

JS

“ *Mark, Lori, Joseph and Nicholas-*

*I want to begin by offering Cindy and my sympathy, along with our prayers and warmest thoughts to all of you with the passing of your brother, Gerald. I remember meeting him years ago at the Locker Room and later at Fremo's Merlin's. I found him to be very engaging, with a great sense of humor and quick wit. In those days, when a lot of us were pure reprobates, he mixed in well and fit in easily.*

*I know that losing a sibling is a very difficult thing. Memories, good and bad, now all become bittersweet. All the days are now just memories of time shared as only brothers can. May those memories always warm your heart and bring a smile to your face. Hold those times close to your heart. Trust me, those memories will be meaningful to you.*

*I hoped to speak with you at the wake or funeral. However, my health issues took a negative turn and although I tried, I was unable to attend. My hope is that one day, when the days calm a bit, we could get together for lunch and share some of the laughter the past memories brought us.*

*Until we meet again, may God bless you, Lori and the boys. May He be with Gerald's family through the difficult moments. And may Gerald have Godspeed in his transition to eternal life.*

*It is my hope that your brother comes to you often in dreams. May those dreams be fruitful and relaxing for you. If I have learned anything in life it is that dreams are often our new reality. There's nothing wrong with that. Be well my friend. God bless you and yours.*

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**John Scott** - February 10, 2024 at 06:57 PM

LN

“ We have wonderful memories of Gerald.....our little ring bearer. We always enjoyed his company and loved watching him grow up. He stayed with us several times in Ohio and our sons always loved his company! A kind and gentle person that will be missed.

*Uncle Dave and Aunt Lynn Nanni*

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**Lynn Nanni** - February 10, 2024 at 01:48 PM

DN

“ Gerald will be missed. He always showed me kindness, even though I was his much-younger cousin. I will always remember his amazing record collection and superior music knowledge.

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**Darren Nanni** - February 09, 2024 at 04:20 PM

KH

“ Marie, Scott, Jessie, Mark, Lori and all Gerald's family we wish to extend to you our deepest condolences. Our thoughts and prayers are with each of you during this very difficult time. Kevin M. Mason, Daniel R. LaRussa, Catherine Anne Taberski ~ Kevin M. Mason Funeral Home



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**Kevin M. Mason Funeral Home** - February 07, 2024 at 06:05 PM

DF

“ Dean Jutze & family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mr. Gerald Otto Kraus.



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**Dean Jutze & family** - February 07, 2024 at 10:29 AM

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“ Dean Jutze & family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Gerald Otto Kraus.

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Dean Jutze & family - February 07, 2024 at 10:29 AM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Gerald Otto Kraus.



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February 07, 2024 at 07:10 AM