



Richard N. Gustafson

October 16, 1937 - June 30, 2025

Rye - Richard N. Gustafson, 87, of Rye passed away peacefully on Monday, June 30, 2025. He was predeceased by his wife of 65 years, Deborah (Bockus) Gustafson.

He was born in West Hartford, CT on October 16, 1937, son of the late Gilbert and Martha (Olson) Gustafson. In 1959 Dick graduated with a bachelors degree in electrical engineering from Worcester Polytechnic Institute and married Debbie that summer.

They moved to Hyde Park, NY where Dick began a lifelong career with IBM. They raised two daughters, Heidi and Diana, and enjoyed time with dear friends traveling, hosting spaghetti dinners, and spending summer days at the Hyde Park Swim and Tennis Club.

In the mid 90s, Dick took an early retirement and they built a house in Rye, NH. Dick and Debbie loved driving the coast to admire the ocean, working in their veggie garden and many other hobbies. Dick's artistic legacy lives on in his oil paintings and stained glass lamps hanging in dozens of family and friends' homes.

Dick is survived by his daughters, Heidi Coscia and Diana Gustafson, his son-in-law John Coscia, all of Rye, and his granddaughter Maddie Coscia of

Boston, MA,

The family wishes to thank the staff at Webster at Rye Assisted Living and Memory Care for the amazing care and comfort they gave Dick for the last 16 months.

A graveside service will be private.

Tribute Wall

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“ Dick "Guffy" Gustafson was my boss for a while at IBM. He valued my work and encouraged me. Dick was one of the best managers I ever had. He is remembered with respect and affection.

Daniel B. Martin - August 05, 2025 at 10:13 PM

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“ Working along with Richard and Debbie at RCC for over 10 years they were dear friends. I will miss them both. My prayers for continue for the family.
Lucy Montagano

Lucille J Montagano - July 08, 2025 at 11:41 AM