

Jane and Garry Sanders were both raised in the Capital District — Jane in Albany and Garry in Saratoga Springs — and remain deeply connected to the region’s Jewish community through lifelong leadership and service.

Jane, a social worker with a master’s degree from Syracuse University specializing in gerontology, dedicated her career to supporting senior services in Toledo, Washington, D.C., Rochester, and Albany, retiring as Director of the Town of Bethlehem Senior Services Department. A committed volunteer, she has served in leadership roles with RISSE, the Food Pantries of the Capital District, Congregation Beth Emeth Sisterhood, and Jewish Family Services of Northeastern New York, while continuing to support numerous local senior initiatives.

Garry earned his master’s degree in public administration from the University at Albany and began his career as a Presidential Management Fellow in federal service. He spent many years in research administration, retiring as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of the Research Foundation for SUNY, and now works as an executive coach. A longtime leader at Congregation Beth Emeth, he has served as president, treasurer, and committee leader, and currently chairs the Board of Jewish Family Services of Northeastern New York. He also served on the Jewish Federation board and volunteered as a literacy tutor in Albany schools.

An accomplished pianist, Garry performs locally and frequently accompanies clergy and nonprofit events throughout the region.

Jane and Garry are the proud parents of two sons, Michael and Jeremy, and grandparents to Rebecca, Eva, and Danielle.