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## Former CDTA CEO Carm Basile Passes Away

### Description

Carm Basile, the former CEO of the Capital District Transportation Authority, died on Thursday. He was 69 years old.

Basile died from medical problems after surgery. This information came from Jayme Lahut, the chairman of the CDTA Board of Directors. He retired in December 2021 after working for 43 years. Many people knew him well in the area. They remember him as a friendly and helpful person.

Basile worked hard to improve bus services. He led the CDTA through challenges, including the COVID-19 pandemic. His efforts helped make bus transport better for everyone. Many people in the community praised his work. They said he was dedicated to serving the public.

He began his career at CDTA as a transportation planner in 1981. Over the years, he rose through the ranks. In 2009, he became the CEO. He introduced new services, like electric buses, which reduce pollution. Basile will be remembered for his kindness and leadership. He lived in Colonie with his wife, Sheila, and their two sons.

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### Vocabulary List:

1. **surgery** //ˈsɜːdʒəri// (noun): an operation to treat a health problem
2. **chairman** //ˈtʃeɪrmən// (noun): person who leads a group or meeting
3. **retired** //rɪˈtaɪrd// (verb): stopped working after many years of work
4. **pandemic** //pænˈdɛmɪk// (noun): a disease outbreak that affects many countries
5. **transportation** //ˌtrænsˈpɔːrteɪʃən// (noun): ways for moving people or goods
6. **electric** //ɪˈlɛktrɪk// (adjective): powered by electricity, not by fuel

## Comprehension Questions

### Multiple Choice

1. What was the age of Carm Basile when he passed away?

Option: 65

Option: 69



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Option: 70

Option: 72

2. In what year did Carm Basile retire from his position?

Option: 2019

Option: 2020

Option: 2021

Option: 2022

3. What position did Carm Basile hold at CDTA before becoming CEO?

Option: Chairman

Option: Transportation Planner

Option: Director of Operations

Option: Project Manager

4. Which new service did Basile introduce at CDTA?

Option: Subway Services

Option: Electric Buses

Option: Bicycle Rentals

Option: Carpool Programs

5. How long did Carm Basile work for CDTA?

Option: 30 years

Option: 35 years

Option: 40 years

Option: 43 years

6. Who confirmed the information regarding Basile's death?

Option: A family member

Option: The mayor

Option: Jayme Lahut

Option: His colleague

### True-False

7. Carm Basile was the CEO of the Capital District Transportation Authority for over a decade.

8. Basile started his career at CDTA as a bus driver.



9. He led CDTA during the COVID-19 pandemic.
10. Carm Basile is remembered for his lack of involvement in the community.
11. Basile died from complications related to surgery.
12. He lived in Albany with his wife and sons.

### Gap-Fill

13. Carm Basile died on Thursday at the age of \_\_\_\_\_.
14. He began his career at CDTA as a transportation planner in \_\_\_\_\_.
15. Basile worked for CDTA for \_\_\_\_\_ years.
16. Carm Basile became the CEO of CDTA in \_\_\_\_\_.
17. He introduced electric buses to reduce \_\_\_\_\_ in the community.
18. Basile lived in Colonie with his wife, Sheila, and their two \_\_\_\_\_.

### Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. 69 2. 2021 3. Transportation Planner 4. Electric Buses 5. 43 years 6. Jayme Lahut  
**True-False:** 7. True 8. False 9. True 10. False 11. True 12. False  
**Gap-Fill:** 13. 69 14. 1981 15. 43 16. 2009 17. pollution 18. sons

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