



Mr. John A. Voce

December 2, 1929 - October 15, 2020

UTICA - Mr. John A. Voce, age 90, passed away on Thursday, October 15, 2020 at MVHS at St. Luke's Healthcare with his loving family by his side. Born in Utica on December 2, 1929, John was the son of the late Frank and Elizabeth (Ransom) Voce. A proud veteran of the United States Army, John honorably served his country during the Korean Conflict. On June 12, 1954 he married the former Virginia C. Chgles with whom he shared a loving union of 66 years.

A longtime employee of the General Electric Company at the French Road location, John worked as a Tinsmith, the position from which he retired after many years of service. A devoted family man, he always gave his time and talents to others. He was a man of great humility whose life revolved around the needs and love of his family. He was a a man of quiet strength, a loving patriarch who provided for his family. Civic-minded and patriotic, John was a member of the Knights of St. John, and the New Hartford American Legion Post #1376. He had a passion for the sport of golf, and was a member of the General Electric Golf League, and the Roselawn Golf League winning the league's championship with his sons as partners, numerous times. In 1988 he was inducted into the Utica Bowling Hall of Fame, and won a past City Horseshoe championship with his brother Eugene, a competition hosted by the firefighters. He meticulously cared for his Cadillacs, and all 8 of them were unique and special! At one time, John was a parishioner of St. Mary's Church on South Street, and more recently a communicant of St. Anthony & St.

Agnes Church where he humbly helped serve Mass on the Church altars for many years.

John is survived by his wife, Virginia; his daughter and son-in-law, Johanna and LeRoy Guyer; his sons and daughters-in-law, Michael J. Voce and very special friend Joanne Di Pietro whom John loved and respected, Brian and Robin Voce, and Peter D. and Elaine Voce; grandchildren, Andrew and Katie Voce, Kayla Voce and Scott Wilson, Brian Voce, Jamie and Antonio Zenzillo, and Santina and Jon Peters, and Fallon, and Matthew Voce; great-grandchildren, John Anthony; Myles; Makayla; Leonardo; and Lillian; and his sisters and brothers-in-law, Jane and Jack Townsend, and Maureen and John Prumo. He also leaves his nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and in-laws, Samantha Voce; Joan Voce; Michaelene "Micky" Trombetta; and John and Florence Sadowski. He was predeceased by his brothers and sisters-in-law, Joseph and Frances Voce, William and Jean Voce, Eugene Voce, Robert A. Voce, and Donald and Lana Voce; sisters and brothers-in-law, Frances and Harry Kates, Gertrude and Bill True, Regina and Howard Jessmore; brother-in-law, Richard Trombetta.

The family will honor and commemorate John's life at a private time. Relatives and friends are welcome to attend John's funeral service and Celebration of Life which will commence on Wednesday afternoon at 1:00 at Anthony & St. Agnes Church where his Mass of Christian Burial will be offered. Face masks are required and social distancing and contact tracing will be implemented. Interment will take place in Holy Trinity Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

During this time of social distancing that we are all experiencing, please take a moment to connect with John's family through the "Memories" section of his obituary. Our prayers go out to all as a sign of our continued support.

Cemetery Details

Holy Trinity Cemetery

Utica, NY

Tribute Wall

DF

“ *DiNigro Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. John A. Voce*



DiNigro Family - December 14, 2020 at 08:58 PM

AB

“ *Angelique Bonacci lit a candle in memory of Mr. John A. Voce*



angelique bonacci - October 21, 2020 at 10:36 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. John A. Voce.*



October 20, 2020 at 11:43 PM

MV

“ *I'm so sorry to hear about your loss. I will always remember Pete. Whenever I ran into him no matter where got a very warm sincere hug and always asked about my mom who loved him. RIP*



Madeline Voce - October 20, 2020 at 08:39 PM



“ John “Pete” Voce. You were such a wonderful blessing to so many. We will always remember your constant smile, giving heart. I'll always be grateful for you taking me down to Franklin Square to the recruiters office when I joined the Navy in November 1973. And when you shook my hand and pressed the \$20 bill into my palm I was so broke I so never will forget that. Thank you for all the times you made me feel welcome at your home and shared meals with me. I am so sorry Ginny for your loss and the rest of the family also. I recently had total knee replacement surgery and another one scheduled very shortly so I am unable to attend in person. I wish you peace.
Love, Brian & Irene Pantola ❤️

Irene Edith Pant - October 20, 2020 at 06:06 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. John A. Voce.



October 20, 2020 at 04:01 PM



“ Andrew and Katie, very sorry for your loss . May your grandfather Rest In Peace. ❤️🙏

Francine Sansone - October 20, 2020 at 09:54 AM

TF

“ Fondly remembering Mr. Voce's advice he gave us years ago before Mass at St. Anthony's. The last time we spoke was almost a year ago at Fr LaFache's Services at St Joseph St Patrick's and it was if he hadn't aged at all. We'll keep him and Family in our prayers.



Tim & Colleen Moylan Family - October 19, 2020 at 07:20 PM

AG

“ ALEX LYON GANG purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Mr. John A. Voce.



ALEX LYON GANG - October 19, 2020 at 03:44 PM

JC

“ My heartfelt sympathy and prayers to the entire Voce family for their loss.
John was a kind and thoughtful true gentleman. He will be missed.
Jeanne Castronovo

Jeanne Castronovo - October 19, 2020 at 10:14 AM

TD

“ Theresa Devereux lit a candle in memory of Mr. John A. Voce



Theresa Devereux - October 18, 2020 at 08:52 PM

TD

Your dad was a wonderful man. Prayers for all of your family. Tree

Theresa Devereux - October 18, 2020 at 08:53 PM

MG

Dear Ginny - remembering bowling days with you and John and my husband Fred. My deepest sympathies to you and your famil. Many good times. Sincerely Marie Grimaldi

Marie Grimaldi - October 20, 2020 at 07:55 AM

JD

Pop's will miss you were like a dad to me had a lot laughs and fun will miss my Golf partner love you

Joanne Dipietro

JOANNE DIPIETRO - October 20, 2020 at 10:53 AM

FK

Dear Virginia and family.....sorry to read about Johns departure from this earth but happy to see he will be entered into peace in heaven.....im remembering all the good times i had with the voce family over the years with the boys playing baseball and youth hockey..RIP JOHN.....im in the area.....would love to reconnect...frankey39@aol.com.....FRAN KEYES

francis keyes - October 20, 2020 at 12:25 PM

BS

John was a true gentleman__will always remember our chats on Monday nites at the Hidden Valley bar after his golf league_ enjoyable man to talk to_R I P my friend....Borden Smith(Clinton Comets #10)

Borden Smith - October 20, 2020 at 01:36 PM

GT

I am so glad that your Dad was able to attend our last party at Harts Hill. I am so sorry for your loss, my prayers and thoughts are with you.

GENEVIEVE TAHAN - October 21, 2020 at 09:15 AM