



John Anthony Caraco

June 13, 1927 - September 18, 2009

Mr. John A. Caraco, age 82, of Utica, passed away on Friday, September 18, 2009 in the comfort and privacy of his home with his family by his side.

Born in Johnstown, NY on June 13, 1927, John was the son of the late Joseph and Rosalie (Greco) Caraco. Raised and educated in Johnstown, he was a 1945 graduate of Johnstown High School and was later involved in many class reunions. A member of the Greatest Generation and a veteran of World War II, he proudly served his country in the U.S. Army from 1945-1947. Following his service years, he attended M.V.C.C. where he was a member of its first graduating class and Utica College, taking courses in mechanical technology. On September 25, 1948 he married the former Helen Palmeteer with whom he shared 38 years prior to her passing on March 27, 1987. As a couple, they were dedicated to family life and concerns.

For 34 years, John was employed with the Bendix Corporation as a manufacturing engineer until his retirement in 1987. After leaving the work force, he became an ardent cross-stitcher and for many years donated his handcrafted items to Blessed Sacrament fund raisers and created mementos for his former school classmates. At one time he was a parishioner of the Church of the Blessed Sacrament.

John is survived by his daughter, Barb Caraco of Utica; his sons and daughter-in-law, John A. "Jack" Caraco of Utica, Jeffrey M. Caraco of Rensselaer, NY, and James and Elizabeth Caraco of Utica; and his grandchildren, Christina Caraco, and Jillian Caraco. Survivors also include his

sister, Frances Lauria of Gloversville; many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, sisters-in-law, Lena, Laurie and Mary Caraco, and Libby Benton; and his friends, Art, Debbie and Bernadette Wormuth, and John and Mary Falk. He was predeceased by his six brothers, Currado, Salvatore, Joseph, Henry, Amelius and George Caraco; and his four sisters, Millie, Josephine, Pauline and Yolanda.

Visitation will be held Monday (today) from 4:00-7:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. By family request, please omit floral offerings. For those wishing to do so, please consider memorial contributions in John's honor to Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc. in recognition of the kindness of the staff; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. John's funeral service will commence on Tuesday afternoon at 1:00 from the funeral home and at 2:00 at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish where his Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated with Military Honors. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Tribute Wall



“ Eannace Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of John Anthony Caraco



Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. - September 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Betsy and Jim -- Shame on me for not acknowledging your loss sooner. Please know that our thoughts and prayers have been with you. When I first received the notification you sent out it took me back to June 9, 1986 when we lost another very good man. I still talk to Bob in times of need, seeking his always reliable advice. I know that John will be available to you in the same way, and I am sure you will find it as comforting as I have over the years. May your enduring relationship with John be a great source of comfort to you in the years ahead. We are sending a Mass card from thhe local parish and will be making a donation to Hospice & Palliative Care in John's memory. Love, Bill and Nancy##imported-begin##Bill O'Brien and Nancy Nolan##imported-end##

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“ Jim and Betsy,
We know these times are hard. The loss of a parent is particularly difficult as we all know. No matter how much one is prepared, it never comes easy.
But, it also does not mean that your relationship with your father needs to end. I often talk to Mom and Dad, telling them about the many things that are joyous in life - the birth of a grandchild, something that has made me laugh - or cry, a special thing that I did that I am proud of.
A Robert Benchley quote comes to mind: Death ends a life, not a relationship.
This too will pass and there will be times ahead when you will want to talk to your father. We hope that that time passes quickly and you can begin building a new kind of relationship with your father.
David and Mary###imported-begin###David and Mary O'Brien###imported-end##

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“ We will always have your love with us. Your unique touch and glowing smile will keep our lives lite forever. We will never forget the love you gave and the love you shared. I love you always and forever.###imported-begin###Kara Plato###imported-end##

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“ Dear Barb and Family, I am sorry to hear of the loss of your Dad. Know that our prayers are with all of you. God bless, Mary Catherine and Family###imported-begin###Mary Hosey###imported-end##

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“ *My sincere sympathy for the loss of your Dad. May he enjoy all the comfort, peace and happiness of his heavenly home with your Mom as they were joined together once again. May your hearts be filled with joy and fond memories of your Dad and may his spirit be vibrant in your lives until we all meet again. God Bless!##imported-begin##Elaine (Borruso) O'Connor##imported-end##*

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