



John "Jack" Docko

April 26, 1949 - February 17, 2010

Mr. John "Jack" Docko, age 60, of Utica, passed away on Wednesday, February 17, 2010 in the comfort of his home surrounded by his loving family. Born in Utica on April 26, 1949, John was the son of the late John and Mary D. (Renczenski) Docko. Raised and educated locally, he was a 1967 graduate of Notre Dame High School. A veteran of the Air Force, he served his country from 1968-1974 during the Vietnam Conflict. On October 17, 1990, in Las Vegas, he married the former Janet Perry with whom he shared 19 years in a mutually loving and cherished relationship; Jack and Janet were true companions on life's journey, and they were inseparable. "I love you forever, with no one else, ever. Swear to God".

Jack worked as a supervisor in the Flux Department of the Indium Corporation for many years, until the time of his passing. An honest, faithful, fun-loving man, he was blessed with all the qualities of a true gentleman. He was a peacemaker in any tough situation, and he always shared a smile --- never a harsh word. As a child, he enjoyed camping with his family and years later, he enjoyed spending time at Hyde Lake grilling by the fire at the camp with his family and friends. He loved horse racing, games of chance, and nascar racing. He treasured his time with his friends, betting the horses and tipping a brew and most recently when the weather was nice he enjoyed sitting on his front porch socializing with his family, friends and neighbors. Jack was moved by his favorite music, "Nothing's Gonna Stop Us Now", and "Hard Candy Christmas", and Janet's favorite song to Jack was "All I Want For Christmas Is

You". He was a member of the Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks Lodge #33, and was devoted to his Catholic faith.

Jack is survived by his loving wife, Janet; his sister and brother-in-law, Sylvia and Bernie Sturr of Syracuse; and his special feline companions, Hanna and Reille. Survivors also include several nieces and nephews, especially Jennifer and Bob Perkins, Randy Sturr, and Bernie, Jr. and Kathy Sturr; great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and in-laws, June Vaccaro of Rome, and Phyllis and Joe Cardoso, Gloria and Frank Trotta, and Teresa Pabijan, all of Utica. He also leaves his special friends, Pat, Gene, Bill, Tim, Ike, and Maura. He was predeceased by his brothers-in-law, Wayne E. Perry, Sr., and Peter Vaccaro. The family is grateful to Dr. Naji El Khoury and his staff, especially Lisa Leone; Dr. Samir Desai, Dr. John Crawford, Lisa Hrynuk and the Faxton-St. Luke's Healthcare Center Rehabilitation Unit and the Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Departments, the St. Elizabeth Medical Center, the Utica Fire Department & Rescue Unit, and Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc., especially Julie and Justin, his primary caregivers.

In keeping with John's wishes, there will be no public visitation. By family request, please omit floral offerings. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend John's funeral service which will commence on Monday morning at 9:30 at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish where his Memorial Mass will be celebrated with Military Honors conferred by the United States Air Force. For those wishing to do so, please consider memorial donations in John's honor to the Faxton-St. Luke's Rehabilitation Unit; envelopes will be available at the service.

Tribute Wall



“ Eannace Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of John "Jack" Docko



Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. - February 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Hey Uncle Jack! Just wanted to say hello! Love you!

Giovanni DeCarlo - November 22, 2010 at 06:34 PM



“ Hey Uncle Jack, Just wanted to say Hi. How are things going up there? Well guess what.... i got all 3's and 4's and E's on my report card. 3 is great , 4 is Hark Working Student and E is excellent. Well just wanted to talk with you. P.S. Tell Uncle Pete and Uncle Wayne I said Hi! :) Giovanni Decalo###imported-begin##Giovanni Decarlo###imported-end##

April 16, 2010 at 05:46 PM



“ Jack has been and will always be in my heart, He was always one of the kindest, most caring men I have ever met. Forever in my heart!!!###imported-begin##Shannon Mayer (Hilley)###imported-end##

February 27, 2010 at 10:38 AM



“ Dear Janet I'm sorry about Jack's Passing . Although I've only known him for a relatively short while, compared to everyone else who has written here, he has always made me feel that I've known him a lifetime. We connected on the same level .
I'll always remember how excited he was to go to his first live N.A.S.C.A.R. race and I was happy to be able to bring him..
Sometimes I called him on the phone and we could talk about the race and recap what the drivers did wrong!!!!
Anyway, I'll cherish those all too few memories, and remember what a gentleman he was and how I would be hardpressed to tell you of anybody that I met who was any nicer of a guy.

Love Always

Joe###imported-begin##Joe Rosato###imported-end##

February 24, 2010 at 04:21 PM



“ Janet, There are no words to describe how much you and Jack have meant to me, You are my friend, my family and the most supportive people I have ever known, trough the years we have had so many special times they will be forever in my heart, Thank you for everthing, for being my friend , and the big sister I never had.
Please remember that I am only a phone call away if you need me, please think about coming to see me, that would be so special.
Janet, I love you and want to thank you and Jack for giving me the most wonderful memories. they will be with me forever, Love
Maura###imported-begin##maura hilley###imported-end##

February 23, 2010 at 09:51 AM



“ To the Docko Family:
Please accept our most sincere condolences for your husband, brother, and our very dear friend, "Docko." Although time has put some distance in our friendship. We cherish the good times we had, as well as, we are sure you did, too. We apologize for not being able to express our sympathy in person, as we would have been there if we could have. Jack was a good man, we thought so he was our best man in our wedding and both our families go way back. Cherish the "good times" and we will, too, as no one can take those away.##imported-begin##Mike & Cindy Mahoney##imported-end##

February 23, 2010 at 09:40 AM



“ Jack was a good man. My sincere condolences.##imported-begin##Seth Homer##imported-end##

February 22, 2010 at 10:27 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you Janet. Jack and I grew up together on Spring St., going to grade school and high school together. Whenever I think of my youth Jack is always in the picture. Whether it was fishing or hunting we were always together. I will always remember you Jackson.... God Bless You.##imported-begin##Ted and Sue Jones##imported-end##

February 21, 2010 at 10:51 PM



“ Uncle Jack , In my last letter i forgot to tell you , i will be writing you a letter on a balloon and sending it to you. Not now but when i get the chance to. Uncle jack , You where a fighter. But then god saw you fight to much and had to say " Take My Hand and you will no longer have to fight like this". So you took his hand.###imported-begin##Giovanni DeCarlo ###imported-end##

February 21, 2010 at 04:15 PM



“ Jack, You are always in my thoughts. Many Happy memories of the years spent with you. You gave me so much in life and for that I Am forever greatful . You will be greatly missed by everyone you touched. Just like your Dad used to say I'm (John Docko The Greatest) you too where the Greatest...May God Bless your family at this difficult time. You will never be forgotten. Dana###imported-begin##Dana Knapp Graves###imported-end##

February 21, 2010 at 09:27 AM



“ Janet,
Words can not express our sadness for you and your family. You have to trust in God and always remember that he will never give you more than you can handle. Hold on to Jack's love... it will be with you forever. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Love ya###imported-begin##Joelle & Marc Fasolo###imported-end##

February 20, 2010 at 07:51 PM



“ I had the opportunity and honor to serve with "Doc" at Phu Cat AB, Viet Nam. I don't remember ambushing with him but I do remember receiving the coordenaces from him to fire my mortars from, while spending my time in the pits.

Please accept my heart felt condolences for your loss, Doc was a fine man and will be missed. It's unfortunate that so many of us who spent time together in Nam have lost contact. I keep in contact with Old Donnally and Ottie.

May God be with you and your family, we need not worry about Doc, I am sure he is with the Lord and in very safe hands.

*May Peace be with you,
Gary###imported-begin##Gary Engel###imported-end##*

February 20, 2010 at 07:47 PM



“ Dear Sylvia, Bernie and Family
I wish to express my deepest Sympathy upon Jack's passing.
I often ran into Jack at the Chanatry's parking lot as I waited for Mom when she shopped for groceries.
Know my thoughts and prayers are with you his loved ones..
Sincerely
Michele Simmen###imported-begin##Michele Fiaschetti
Simmen###imported-end##

February 20, 2010 at 06:42 PM



“ *janet you lost a true companion , I lost a true friend, WE ALL WILL MISS JACK, jack will be in heaven shortly with his mother mary an my mother mary t.,what a party that will be, bless u janet , as my friend docko would say lets get a bundle on today, pat and cathy###imported-begin###patrick c tarkowski###imported-end###*

February 20, 2010 at 12:47 PM



“ *WHAT AN HONOR IT IS TO HAVE KNOWN A MAN LIKE UNCLE JACK. I AM AND ALWAYS WILL BE GRATEFUL FOR THE LOVE AND DEVOTION HE GAVE TO MY AUNT JANET. TWO PEAS IN A POD. NO MORE PAIN AND SUFFERING UNCLE JACK , THIS IS OUR TEMPORARY HOME,AND I KNOW THAT SOME DAY WE'LL SEE EACH OTHER AGAIN.NEVER GOODBYE. PS, HAVE AN ICE COLD CORONA WITH LIME WAITING PLEASE.###imported-begin###LEE ANN###imported-end###*

February 20, 2010 at 11:13 AM



“ *"Doc" I will truly miss you, and proud to say that you where my friend, and proud to have served with you in Cobra Flt. in Vietnam 69-70' God Bless You Brother###imported-begin###Tom Donnelly###imported-end###*

February 19, 2010 at 10:06 PM



“ Uncle Jack, you will be terribly missed, but now that you are in God's home, we also know you won't be suffering anymore! You are the strongest man I've ever known. Even through all the years of your pain, you had a smile to share with everyone around! Aunt Janet, I'm so sorry for your loss...I love you both so very, very much!!###imported-begin###Nicolle Hartshorne###imported-end##

February 19, 2010 at 07:43 PM



“ Janet, I am very saddened by the loss of your beloved Jack. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers at this time.###imported-begin###Patti Geary###imported-end##

February 19, 2010 at 04:15 PM



“ Jack,
I am grateful and feel very blessed for our great conversations. Thank you for leaving me with your special mustard recipe and grilling stories. I'll miss you.###imported-begin###Mark Olearczyk###imported-end##

February 19, 2010 at 01:56 PM



“ How I will miss my best bud. Thank you for all the loving memories, the times of great laughter full of love. Your cherub smile and happy hellos will live in my heart forever. I love you with all my heart, and will miss you always.

I'm barely getting through tomorrow

But still I won't let

Sorrow bring me way down###imported-begin##Jen##imported-end##

February 19, 2010 at 01:31 PM



“ MY SISSY I DONT HAVE TO TELL YOU HOW MUCH I LOVED MY JACKSON.HE WILL ALWAYS BE IN MY HEART.HE WAS A WONDERFUL MAN,NEVER A FROWN AND ALWAYS A SMILE.HE WILL LIVE ON IN MY HEART.HE WILL BE MISSED EACH AND EVERY DAY.I WILL ALWAYS BE HERE FOR YOU MY SISSY.I LOVE YOU WITH ALL MY HEART AND SOUL..... YOUR SISSY###imported-begin##SISSY (GLORIA)###imported-end##

February 19, 2010 at 10:45 AM



“ MY JACKSON,
GOD SAW YOU GETTING TIRED SO HE TOOK YOU HOME.HOW WE CRIED WHEN YOU LEFT US.I KNOW YOU KNOW HOW MUCH YOU ARE LOVED AND HOW MUCH YOU WILL BE MISSED.YOU ARE AND WILL ALWAYS BE "MY JACKSON"DON'T WORRY ABOUT MY 'SISSY' WE WILL TAKE CARE OF HER TILL YOU SEE EACH OTHER AGAIN.I LOVE YOU MY JACKSON WITH ALL MY HEART AND SOUL SISSY###imported-begin##Sissy & Frank###imported-end##

February 19, 2010 at 10:31 AM



“ To the family, growing up next door on Spring St with Jackie has left me with many childhood and early adult memories our friendship has never been forgotten and you are all in our prayers at this time. Frank Rachubka##imported-begin##Frank Rachubka##imported-end##

February 19, 2010 at 08:43 AM



“ Janet,I'm heart broken over jacks passing,but i know that he has been welcomed in to gods heavenly kingdom.I will miss him dearly,but i know that one day we will see each other again.He will always be on my mind and in my heart.I love you janet.##imported-begin##Frank N. Trotta SR.##imported-end##

February 18, 2010 at 08:09 PM



“ Aunt Janet.... Im sorry about Uncle Jack. It was sad to wake up and hear that Uncle Jack died. My heart shot down. But then i remembered how Uncle Jack used to be and not how he his. I love you Uncle Jack and Aunt Janet.##imported-begin##Giovanni DeCarlo##imported-end##

February 18, 2010 at 07:38 PM



“ Aunt Janet....

I am so sorry about Uncle Jack. He was a wonderful man and always brought a smile to my face. I hope that knowing how much everyone loved him helps you through this difficult time. If you need anything please don't hesitate to ask. I love you Aunt Janet.

Love xoxo,

Nicole##imported-begin##Nicole Cocomazzi##imported-end##

February 18, 2010 at 07:33 PM



“ Sorry to see you go Doc. You became a good friend and I'll never forget you. I can't thank you enough for the inspiration and words of hope you gave my wife as she wages her battle.

If they do serve beer in heaven, have a glass waiting for me when I get there. Here's to you Doc. God Bless You.##imported-begin##Bill Ellenwood##imported-end##

February 18, 2010 at 01:24 PM



“ We are heartbroken. No other words to describe losing you. We know you are at peace and thats what gets us through. You are always in our hearts.##imported-begin##Dawn and John DeCarlo and children##imported-end##

February 18, 2010 at 11:35 AM



“ May the wonderful memories of Jack help you through this difficult time. He was a wonderful person.##imported-begin##Anne McKerrow##imported-end##

February 18, 2010 at 07:23 AM