



Mr. Joseph E. Colacicco

December 5, 1930 - March 27, 2016

Mr. Joseph E. Colacicco, age 85, a longtime Utica area resident and local business owner and operator, passed away peacefully on Sunday, March 27, 2016 at the North Broward Medical Center in Pompano Beach, Florida.

Born in Utica on December 5, 1930, Joseph was the son of the late Dominick and Theresa (Graniero) Colacicco. He was a graduate of T.R. Proctor High School/Class of 1947 and he furthered his studies at Utica College. In 1951, at Blessed Sacrament Church, he married the former Rosalie Spina; the couple shared 65 years in a union blessed with love.

Upon the completion of his studies, Joseph was introduced to his wife's family which led to an opportunity for him to assist in the family concern, Rock's Tire & Battery. He would continue the successful management of the business as the owner and operator for over 60 years, lastly located on Oriskany Street in Utica. In his later years, Joseph enjoyed his position as a realtor at the Joseph Carucci Real Estate firm. During his lifetime, Joseph was a committed community leader involved in many civic and community related activities. He was a member of the Downtown Utica Area Merchants, Chairman of the Utica Auditorium Commission, past president of the Comity Club, member of the Optimist Club, and the Tau Phi Zeta Fraternity. He practiced his Catholic faith as a parishioner of the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes.

Joseph is survived by his wife, Rosalie; and his son, Joseph Rocco Colacicco of Boca Raton, FL. Always close to his heart was the memory of his daughter, Joanne (MacMaster) Colacicco, who passed away on October 25, 2011. He

also leaves his grandchildren, Theresa Ann Pierson, Julian Rocco Colacicco, Joseph A. Colacicco, and Alayna Colacicco; his great-grandson, William Cameron Pierson; his sister, Rosa Kesel; and his brother, Erminio Colacicco. His extended family includes his nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and sisters-in-law, Phyllis Colacicco, and JoAnn Colacicco. He was predeceased by his brothers, Michael J. Colacicco, and Frank A. Colacicco; and his in-laws, Nancy Colacicco, and Donald Kesel. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Joseph's funeral service and Celebration of Life which will commence on Saturday morning at 11:00 at the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes where his Mass of Christian Burial will be offered by Rev. Joseph Salerno. The family will receive visitors at the conclusion of the Mass. By family request, please omit floral offerings. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

2407 Oneida Street
Utica, NY

Tribute Wall



“ *I'm so sorry I missed Joe's funeral. He was a great person I knew thru business. He was missed when he closed his tire business. I pray that he rest in eternal peace.* ”

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