



Ret. Lt. Raymond A. Pecheone, UPD

February 6, 1925 - October 17, 2010

Retired Lieutenant Raymond A. Pecheone, Utica Police Department, age 85, of Utica, passed away peacefully on Sunday, October 17, 2010 at the Faxon-St. Luke's Healthcare Center with the love and support of his family by his side.

Born in Utica on February 6, 1925, Raymond was the son of the late Carmine and Jenny (Grande) Pecheone. Raised and educated in local schools, he attended T. R. Proctor High School. A proud veteran of World War II, Raymond enlisted in the United States Navy at the age of 17, serving stateside during the war. Upon honorable completion of his military service, he married the former Anne M. Singe on June 21, 1947. Ray was never seen without Anne by his side; they were well-suited as partners in life and were known for their love for one another and their family. They were inseparable during their 63 years of loving companionship.

Raymond joined the Utica Police Department on March 1, 1948, and rose through the ranks to become Detective in 1961, and a Lieutenant in the Criminal Investigations Unit in 1968. He was awarded several citations and commendations for outstanding achievements and retired in 1987 after 39 years of unwavering service. He was a humble man who expressed kindness and concern in so many ways. His infectious sense of humor, patience, and joy were attributes that made him special, and through his example, he enriched the lives of all who knew him. He was blessed with a contented attitude rooted in a simple spirit of appreciating the little things that life had to

offer. His life will forever be celebrated and fond memories of him will live in the hearts of all he loved, forever. His greatest accomplishment was to have raised a family of whom he was so proud, and his children and grandchildren, who affectionately referred to him as "Poppa", were true blessings to him. A well-informed and active man, he was an avid reader and connected to nature through his gardening and meticulous care of his home.

Raymond is survived by his loving and cherished wife, Anne; his children and their families, Raymond L. and Rosemary Pecheone of Palo Alto, CA; Sharon and Louis Roefaro of Utica; and Lynnanne and Thomas Jung of Albany; his grandchildren, Andrew and Hilary Pecheone; Sommer Roefaro Bucossi and her husband William, and Richie Roefaro; and Alyssa and Gregory Jung.

Survivors also include his loving nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, in-laws, Marianne Pecheone, Rae Flamino, Elaine Kalesnik, and Anthony and Ninett Singe; and his many friends. He was predeceased by his brother, Carmen Pecheone; his sisters and brothers-in-law, Marie R. and John P. Eck, Kathleen C. and Rollin D. Tuttle; and his brothers-in-law, Arthur Flamino, Thomas Singe, and Vincent Singe, Sr.

The family would like to express their gratitude to Dr. Sloan and Dr. Tisch for their professional guidance and longtime care rendered to Ray.

Visitation will be held Wednesday from 11:00-12:00 noon at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. By family request, please omit floral offerings. Raymond's funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence on Wednesday afternoon at 1:00 at St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church where his Mass of Christian Burial will be officiated by Rev. Anthony P. LaFache with Police and Military Honors conferred. Entombment will take place in Calvary Cemetery Mausoleum.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **20**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.
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Tribute Wall

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“ We never had the pleasure of meeting Ray, but from the constant good things that Tom had to say about him, especially being like a second father and a super grandpa, makes us feel that we somehow knew him. It also sounds like he served the public with high regard, what more can one ask for in life - family and public. But the most important thing - staying close to God, when those three are combined it is easy to see why he was so beloved by everyone.

May he rest in peace, and may his family continue to evoke nothing but good memories about what sounds like a real special man.

Lynn and Tom: We are thinking of you, be well.

Neil and Edie

Neil Edie benjamin - October 21, 2010 at 09:58 AM

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“ My deepest sympathy goes out to all Lt. Raymond Pecheone's family and friends. I thank him for his 39 years of dedicated service in keeping the citizens of Utica safe. I thank his family also for having to sacrifice his absence during many holidays and special occasions when he had to be on duty. You will all be remembered in my prayers.

*God Bless All,
Barbara*



Barbara Ziezio - October 19, 2010 at 10:44 AM

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“ *Bill and I visited with Sommer's grandparents several days before Sommer & Will were married this August. Raymond greeted us with a big smile, house tour, and nice visit. Lovely man.*

Will's parents, Jan & Bill Bucossi



Janet Bucossi - October 19, 2010 at 08:30 AM