



## Augustus James "AJ" Battaglia

December 27, 1956 - January 21, 2011

Loudonville - Augustus James Battaglia, 54, lost his valiant battle with cancer Friday, January 21, 2011, surrounded by his loving family at The Hospice Inn at St. Peter's Hospital, Albany, New York.

Born in Albany, New York, on December 27, 1956, A.J. was the son of Patricia Hunter Standish and Philip Sylvester Battaglia, the stepson of J. Spencer Standish and the loving husband of Anne Frances Battaglia.

AJ grew up in Loudonville, New York, graduated from St Pius X grammar school, where he was an altar boy, then Christian Brothers Academy, where he formed many lifelong friendships and Christian values. He earned a business degree from Dean College in Franklin, Massachusetts.

Following college, for two years AJ traveled throughout Arizona and California to become acquainted with the growers and shippers of wholesale produce which helped develop his passion for a life in this business.

For several years AJ was employed at Caruso, Rinella, Battaglia Co, Inc., his family business. He expanded the business into the North Country by operating a warehouse in Keeseville, NY. While there he had the honor of being the produce purveyor for the 1980 Winter Olympics in Lake Placid, NY. He opened AJ's Marketplace in Loudon Plaza and was the owner of American

Fresh Produce at the Menands Market in Menands, NY.

Although AJ loved his life in Produce his true commitment and love was for his three children, AJ II, Michael, and Katie. His greatest joys were spending time with his children and attending their sporting events and activities. He prided himself on seeing AJ II play lacrosse for Providence College, Michael for Siena College, and there was a special smile he shared only with his daughter Kate.

AJ had an incredible gift for cooking. Everything he created in the kitchen had its own unique taste that only AJ could make happen. His friends and family would gather around him as he concocted his delicious specialties.

In addition to his parents and loving wife, AJ is survived by his three children, Augustus James II, Michael Joseph, and Katherine Alexis, his brothers and sisters: Sylvester, Mary Jo Kelly (Raymond), Margaret Glassman (Nelson), Anthony (Debbie), Stacie Clough-Pappas (Tony), and Philip Battaglia, Esq. He also had many nieces and nephews and very loyal and dear friends.

Funeral services Tuesday, January 25, 2011 at 10:30 in St. Pius X Church, Loudonville where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated.

Relatives and friends are invited and may call in the church Monday, January 24, 2011 4:00 to 7:00pm.

Interment St. Mary's Cemetery, Troy, NY.

Those wishing to remember AJ in a special way may send a contribution to The Community Hospice, 445 New Karner Road, Albany, Ny 12205

To leave the family a special message on their guest book; obtain a prayer

card or directions; or share a photo or E-card with them, please visit [www.McveighFuneralHome.com](http://www.McveighFuneralHome.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **24.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

St. Pius X Church  
23 Crumitie Road  
Loudonville, NY

## Service

JAN **25.** 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Pius X Church  
23 Crumitie Road  
Loudonville, NY

# Tribute Wall



“ *Augustus James "AJ" Battaglia*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *I can't say how much I truly, cared about and loved AJ. From the minute we first met, he ALWAYS made me feel so comfortable, so much more than a friend. I loved him like a brother and will miss him dearly. This world is not a better place without AJ in it, we all will miss him, I know I will. But I will tell you this, I will always hear his calm voice laughing and make me smile when I think of him. I'll miss you AJ. Rest In Peace My Friend, - Joey Sferrazza###imported-begin###Joseph Sferrazza###imported-end###*

February 15, 2011 at 08:50 AM



“ *To Mr Battaglia, Mrs Standish and the Battaglia kids:Please accept my sincere condolences on AJ's passing. I just received the obituary today. You will all be in my thoughts and prayers at what must be an incredibly difficult time. Please extend my condolences to AJ's family as well.  
Most Sincerely,  
Felice (Frangella) Gokey###imported-begin###Felice (Frangella) Gokey###imported-end###*

January 26, 2011 at 04:46 PM



“ *Phil, Tony, Stacy and those I have never met: Please accept my deepest condolences on AJ's passing, along with my apologies for missing the service. I have alot of good memories of us all as kids, and will remember him fondly. A great guy who was taken way too soon. Warmest Regards, Mike Alvaro*###imported-begin###*Mike Alvaro*###imported-end##

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January 25, 2011 at 10:11 AM



“ *A.J and I go back many years. I will always remember his smile when he warmiy greeted you. I will cherish all the memories of A.J and Know that he will be looking down at his family and friends with an everlasting smile. May you rest in peace A.J. Fondly , Kathleen Washburn*###imported-begin###*KathleenDaiello-Washburn*###imported-end##

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January 25, 2011 at 08:49 AM



“ *Dear Tony and Family,*

*So sorry for your loss. We know what a great person he was. Dont hesitate to contact us, hope to see you in the near future. In sympathy, Doug and Kathy*###imported-begin###*Doug and Kathryn (DiStefano) Knipple*###imported-end##

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January 25, 2011 at 07:53 AM



“ I worked with the Battaglia Family Business (CRB) in the 70's. I am so sorry to hear of AJ's passing. He was a wonderful person and I offer my condolences to his family.

Sincerely,

Susan Rousselle##imported-begin##Susan Rousselle##imported-end##

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January 25, 2011 at 07:34 AM



“ Mike,  
We are very sorry for your terrible loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.##imported-begin##Dan, Chris and Christian DePersis##imported-end##

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January 24, 2011 at 11:34 PM



“ Dear Anita, AJ jr, Michael, Kate and Family,

Words cannot express my sorrow for your loss. I looked forward to my weekly visits with AJ. In spite of his illness he always seemed to be positive and focused on a project. One week it might be juicing vegetables, other times it was baking muffins or planning a special meal. Just last week he was showing me his new I Pad and it's functions. He was such a lovely, warm and interesting person. I will miss my visits with him. May each of you remember the happy times you shared with AJ and find peace during this difficult time.

Most sincerely, Alice Baker##imported-begin##Alice Baker, RN Hospice##imported-end##

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January 24, 2011 at 06:36 PM



“ Anne, Kate, Michael & AJ II: Remember there is no sting in death, and AJ is in a better place with verdant fields and many mansions. Prayers go up for all of you. Blessings. David.##imported-begin##David Curtin##imported-end##

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January 24, 2011 at 06:28 PM



“ Anita - I am very sorry to hear the news. Please know that you and your kids are in my thoughts & prayers during this most difficult time.##imported-begin##Liz newcomb Tibbetts##imported-end##

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January 24, 2011 at 05:36 PM



“ AJ and Mike as well as the rest of the Battaglia family:

*While I only had the privilege of meeting your father on a few occasions, I can truly remember how genuine and outgoing of a man he was. Remember all of the good times yall had together and realize that he would not want to ever to see you sad. God Bless you and your family and hope to see you soon.*

*Greg##imported-begin##Greg Holle(Fort Worth)##imported-end##*

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January 24, 2011 at 05:13 PM



“ I would just like to take a moment and extend my deepest sympathies to the entire family. AJ was a fun guy and lived a good life and will be missed by all.##imported-begin##Michael J Frangella##imported-end##

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January 24, 2011 at 02:30 PM



“ *Our Deepest Sympathy to Anita and children and to A.J.'s mom, dad and family! My in rest in peace.  
Love Paul and Sharon Otto###imported-begin##Sharon and Paul Otto###imported-end##*

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January 24, 2011 at 02:03 PM



“ *As kids, seeking to define ourselves oftentimes through the eyes of our friends, I was blessed to travel these uncertain, turbulent times with my friend, A.J. While it's been 35 years since last we saw each other, over the years I thought of A.J. and sent warm thoughts his way. It's hard to imagine A.J.'s sweet nature, engaging smile and gracious presence is no longer with us. I am sorry for your loss and trust you will find comfort from having been touched by someone so special. Lisa###imported-begin##Lisa Rehfuss###imported-end##*

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January 24, 2011 at 09:43 AM



“ *My dear Pat and Spencer,  
  
Please accept my deepest sympathies for this terrible loss. And know that the prayers of the Siena community will help to sustain you in the days ahead.###imported-begin##Karl K Barbir###imported-end##*

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January 24, 2011 at 09:18 AM



“ I would like to send my condolences to the family of AJ, especially to his wife and children. I knew AJ way back in grade school, through high school and into adulthood. AJ was a really good person with a big heart. He had many great qualities, but foremost in my mind was his upbeat personality. He was a pleasure to be around and he tended to make you feel better. Rest in peace AJ.##imported-begin##Chris Abele##imported-end##

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January 23, 2011 at 11:28 AM



“ Dear Anita,AJ, Mike and Katie,

We are so sorry for your loss and our prayers and thoughts are with you. May this dark time bring comfort to you in your wonderful memories you all hold in your hearts.##imported-begin##Amy & Rpy Kennedy##imported-end##

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January 23, 2011 at 09:20 AM



“ Dear Battaglia family,

Although we have never met in person I have heard such wonderful stories about AJ and his family from his father -in-law Joe Scandurra.

We will hold your family up in prayer at this very difficult time. His Saviour Jesus Christ will guide him on his journey home. I'm sure AJ will live on forever in your hearts.

God Bless you all,

Tom and Phyllis Petrie##imported-begin##Tom and Phyllis Petrie, Clarence NY##imported-end##

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January 22, 2011 at 11:30 PM



“ Dear Anita, AJ, Michael, Katie and the entire Battaglia family,  
We are so sorry for your loss. Growing up, AJ was just like an  
extended part of the "neighborhood family." It was great to  
reconnect as adults and to share in the joy of cheering on our kids  
at soccer and Tae Kwon Do.  
AJ was the dad who was always smiling and never failed to greet  
you with a warm hello.  
Our hearts are heavy for you.##imported-begin##Ellen and Joe  
Fay##imported-end##

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January 22, 2011 at 08:54 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with AJ's family during this difficult  
time. He will be missed by many. He was a beautiful person and we  
are blessed to have had the opportunity to know and love  
him.##imported-begin##The Family & Staff at Inferno  
Pizzeria##imported-end##

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January 22, 2011 at 07:54 PM



“ AJ was smart, fun, personable, a great guy and a friend.  
His favorite topic was always his love of his kids and wife.  
He will be missed.  
God bless him and us all.  
Peace,  
Mike Orcutt##imported-begin##Mike Orcutt##imported-end##

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January 22, 2011 at 03:38 PM



“ Dearest Phil,  
Please know you and your family are in our thoughts, hearts and in our prayers.  
Your forever friends,  
Matt & Sandy###imported-begin##Sandy & Matt Hilligrass###imported-end##

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January 22, 2011 at 02:06 PM



“ Stacie,  
My thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family. Rest knowing, AJ is at peace and is no longer suffering.  
Robin###imported-begin##Robin Brant-Lopez###imported-end##

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January 22, 2011 at 01:16 PM



“ My thoughts & prayers are with your family at this difficult time###imported-begin##Lori Barach Strunk###imported-end##

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January 22, 2011 at 12:50 PM



“ Anne and Family, I am truly sorry for your loss, a gentle man, extremely intelligent, warm and caring person, AJ will be missed by all. My thoughts and prayers are with you in this time of grief###imported-begin##Ken Hughes###imported-end##

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January 22, 2011 at 12:45 PM



“ *To the Battaglia/Standish Family,*

*May you seek the comfort of the Lord & the love of those who share your loss during this difficult time.*

*I have fond memories of AJ growing up & I am truly saddened to learn of his passing. I pray that you find comfort in knowing that God will get you through this time of sadness.*

*With sympathy & prayers,*

*Retha Doiley-Miller & Family(Dorothy Morales)##imported-begin##Retha Doiley-Miller##imported-end##*

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January 22, 2011 at 12:14 PM



“ *Rest in Peace Brother. Walk with the Lord, We will miss your perpetual smile##imported-begin##Michael Ryan and Donna Karrat Ryan##imported-end##*

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January 22, 2011 at 10:57 AM