



Valentino A. Salustri

November 17, 1937 - November 28, 2021

Altamont- Valentino (Val) Salustri, 84, passed away Sunday, November 28, 2021 at Albany Medical Center after a valiant battle with multiple myeloma. He was born in Albany and was predeceased by his parents, Dominick and Annunziata DiGiannantonio Salustri and sister Speranza (Salustri) Strazzeri. A graduate of Christian Brothers Academy, class of 1956, Val was proud of his Italian heritage and his service in the United States Marine Corps. Above all, he was a generous soul who was devoted to his family. He most enjoyed a backyard barbecue, a competitive game of bocce and spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Val worked as a butcher for many years with Grand Union and Price Chopper until retirement. For many years he owned and operated Genoa Imports, an Italian specialty store in Albany with his brother-in-law Frank Strazzeri. Val was proud that he played in a 65 year old basketball league, where they traveled to a tournament in Utah and played against former NBA stars, Phil Jackson and Charlie Rosen.

Val is survived by his loving wife of 61 years, Joan DeLorenzo Salustri; his children, Maria (Alex) Balogh, Valerie (Kevin) Gordon and Dominick (Teresa) Salustri; eight grandchildren, Jamie Bonnett, Ashley Gordon, Steven Gordon,

Anthony and Nicholas Salustri, Alexander, Anthony and Andrea Balogh; two great-grandchildren Madison and Logan Bonnett; and a niece and nephew Nancy St. Louis and Joseph Strazzeri.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Val's family Friday, December 3, 2021 10:00 am to 11:30 am at St. Lucy / St. Bernadette Church, Altamont, NY.

His Funeral Mass will follow at 11:30 am.

Masks are required.

The Rite of Committal will be held at Calvary Cemetery, Glenmont, NY immediately following the Mass.

To leave a message for the family please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com

Those wishing to remember Valentino in a special way may send a contribution to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-9959.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

481 Route 9W
Glenmont, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 3. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Lucy/St. Bernadette Church
113 Grand Street
Altamont, NY

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Valentino A. Salustri*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *I miss you so much already Papa! I couldn't have asked for a better grandfather. I will never forget all of the wise life lessons you taught me and all of the wonderful memories we shared together. Walks to Wickham Park in Connecticut, strawberry ice cream from Stewart's and taking me to the circus. Rest in eternal peace my dear Papa. I will love you forever!*

Jamie Bonnett - December 03, 2021 at 09:18 AM



“ *Dear Joan and family, I was saddened by the thought of Val passing. Please accept my condolence. I remember the good neighbors you were and will remember you in my prayers. Sincerely, Tony Eldering*

Tony Eldering - December 02, 2021 at 02:20 PM



“ *My condolences to Mr. Salustri's family. May his memory be a blessing to all who knew him and loved him.*

Mary A. Ivancic

Mary Ivancic - December 01, 2021 at 10:09 AM

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“ Sorry for your loss

Barb ochampaugh - December 01, 2021 at 10:00 AM

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“ Val was a man ahead of his times! During the early years of the AMC Hematology summer picnics, Val was the only guy who allowed me to play in their beloved bocce game!!! I will never forget his act of kindness!!!

Joan and family, my heartfelt condolences for your great loss💔

Kathy Sutter

kathy sutter - December 01, 2021 at 07:48 AM

MH

Joan family. We will miss Val always! He loved the family reunions and we loved seeing him thereespecially when he was playing bocce!!! So glad he attended in 2019!!! Sending our love and healing energy to all! Love Tom and Marie

Marie Hermes - December 01, 2021 at 10:36 AM

CP

Joan so sorry !! Always enjoyed seeing Val and you at the reunion and also Saratoga he will be missed , such a great guy !!!

charles persico - December 01, 2021 at 02:06 PM