

## Gary T. Archer, Sr.

June 5, 1952 - August 23, 2020

Gary T. Archer Sr. passed away in his Eltingville home on August 23, 2020. He was born at Staten Island Hospital to the late William and Elizabeth Archer on June 5, 1952.

Gary, a native Staten Islander, grew up in Westerleigh and began working at the family business at an early age. He graduated from Port Richmond High School in 1970 and went on to attend the College of Staten Island. Soon after, Gary returned to work at his father's business, William S. Archer, Inc., which was one of the largest automotive parts distributors in New York. Through the years, Gary and his late brother Gene learned the business from their father William E. Archer until he retired in 1990. Gary went on to run the business for the next 25 years, employing many family members and friends, including his two sons.

Gary is well known for his honesty, integrity, and strong work ethic. He worked long hard hours to make sure his family and the ones he loved were well provided for. Well respected and admired by his employees and friends. Because he treated everyone equally with fairness, kindness, and respect. He was a man with strong morals and principles. He would never cut corners or take shortcuts to achieve his goals. He would often say if something was worth doing it was worth doing right.

In his free time, and especially in retirement, he passionately pursued the activities he loved, such as carpentry, scuba diving, hiking, photography, travel, spending time with his dog, and riding his motorcycle. He was a former member of the Islanders Motorcycle Club.

He was blessed to journey through life side by side with his devoted wife of 42 years, Yvonne. He is also survived by his loving children, Jessica, Gary Jr., his wife Stephanie, Jason, and his beloved dog, Milo. He was the loving brother of Donald and the late Gene and Judy Purcell. He was to become a grandfather to his soon to be born Grandson.

A gathering of family and friends will take place on Thursday from 5-9 p.m. at the John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals, Inc. Religious services will be on Friday in the Funeral Home at 10:00 a.m., Reverend Garry Squire presiding. Interment will follow in Fairview Cemetery.

Please be mindful due to the current State mandate that a mask must be worn at all times in the funeral home and social distancing requirements must be followed during the services. Due to the current Pandemic a strict 40-50 person in room policy is in effect, please adhere to this policy and allow others to pay their respects as well.

# Cemetery Details

## Fairview Cemetery, SI

1852 Victory Blvd  
Staten Island, NY 10314

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 27. 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals, Inc.  
28 Eltingville Blvd  
Staten Island, NY 10312

## Service

AUG 28. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals, Inc.  
28 Eltingville Blvd  
Staten Island, NY 10312

# Tribute Wall



“ *John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Gary T. Archer, Sr.*



John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals Inc. - August 27, 2020 at 04:20 PM

TK

*What a beautiful and memorable Tribute to a remarkable man. Although I never met him, I can see in this video and through his son Jayson, that Gary was a great Family man, a compassionate man, a man you would want for your friend for life. He must have had a tremendous capacity to love people, life and humanity. I see all this and so much more in his son, Jayson by how he interacts with our crazy family and how he fits right in. This can only be because Gary did it right, taught the lessons, showed the love and caring, developed character and responsibility in his children. I would have liked to call this man my friend and will think of him in that capacity. My deepest sympathies to Gary's family, many friends and those who knew him. God Bless You Gary Archer.  
Thomas F Kelly*

Thomas F Kelly - August 30, 2020 at 11:39 PM

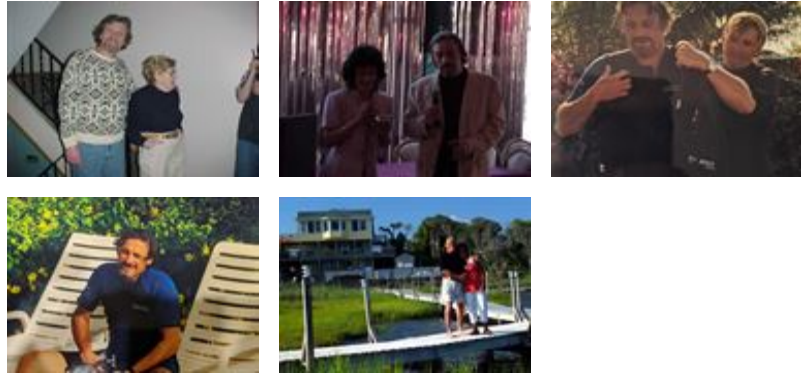


“ *Gary T. Archer, Sr.*

October 04, 2023 at 06:13 PM



“ 150 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



**John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals Inc.** - August 27, 2020 at 03:53 PM



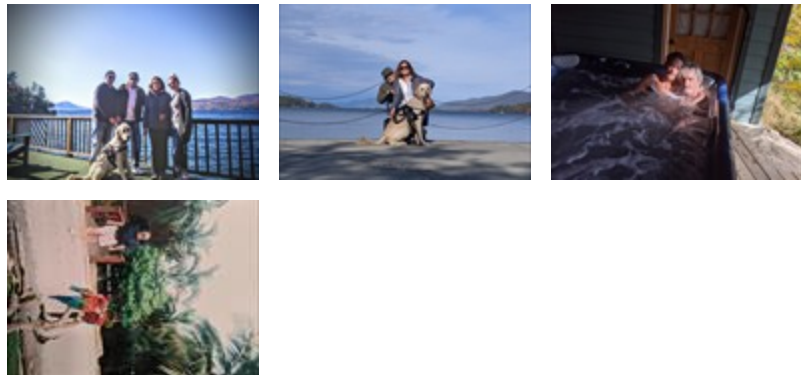
“ *Community Resources Staff purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Gary T. Archer, Sr..*



**Community Resources Staff** - August 27, 2020 at 10:10 AM



“ *4 files added to the tribute wall*



**Jason Archer** - August 26, 2020 at 07:05 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Jason Archer - August 26, 2020 at 07:02 PM

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“ Alex & Christine Archer, Chris & Donna Cervelli purchased the Sacred Garden Spray for the family of Gary T. Archer, Sr..



Alex & Christine Archer, Chris & Donna Cervelli - August 26, 2020 at 04:41 PM

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“ 9 files added to the album Life of Gary T. Archer



Stacey - August 26, 2020 at 01:56 PM



“ *A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of Gary T. Archer, Sr..*



August 26, 2020 at 10:41 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Gary T. Archer, Sr..*



August 25, 2020 at 07:20 PM



“ *With our deepest sympathy to the Archer Family. May he rest in peace. From Mike Salzano and Sonia Hyatt.*

**Sonia Hyatt** - August 25, 2020 at 07:00 AM



“ *Michael Salzano lit a candle in memory of Gary T. Archer, Sr.*



**Michael Salzano** - August 25, 2020 at 06:56 AM

MS

“ *Michael Salzano lit a candle in memory of Gary T. Archer, Sr.*



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**Michael Salzano** - August 25, 2020 at 06:55 AM