



Jerry Caggiano

April 27, 1932 - May 5, 2018

Jerry Caggiano, 86, passed away on Saturday, May 5, 2018, at his home surrounded by his loving family.

Jerry was a devoted husband, father, mentor and friend who would help others whenever needed.

Born Wednesday, April 27, 1932 in Brooklyn, New York, he was the son of the late Gerard and Mary Caggiano. Jerry lived in Brooklyn most of his life until 1973 when he moved to Staten Island with his wife Rita, and their three sons Craig, Chris and Scott.

Jerry was an Auto Mechanic who enjoyed spending his time working on cars, trucks, boats and anything that had an engine.

He was a business owner of many gas stations and repair shops throughout his life. Jerry then went on to work for the NYC Department of Sanitation as an auto mechanic.

He loved helping his sons whenever needed. He and his wife loved to spend time at their second home in Manahawkin, NJ. While he was there he spent much time outside gardening and tinkering around outdoors. He also liked to spend time on his boat, vacationing during the winter in Florida, taking Casino

trips to Atlantic City & Bethlehem PA. He loved to take his wife to dinner and finding new places to eat.

Jerry was a family orientated man. He enjoyed spending time with his three sons Chris, Craig and Scott, daughter-in-laws Betty and Andrea and two granddaughters Destiny and Bianca. His favorite time of the year was the holidays. He looked forward to having the family all together.

Surviving is his wife Rita; sons Chris, Craig and Scott; daughter in laws Betty and Andrea; sister Diane Vitiello; and granddaughters Destiny and Bianca.

A Funeral Service will take place at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday at The John Vincent Scalia Home For Funerals, Inc. located at 28 Eltingville Blvd. (at Eltingville Station) Staten Island, New York 10312. Interment will follow in Ocean View Cemetery, Staten Island, NY.

The family will receive friends from 5:00 - 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday at the Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital in Jerry's memory.

Cemetery Details

Ocean View Cemetery

3315 Amboy Rd
Staten Island, NY 10306

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 8. 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

The John Vincent Scalia Home For Funerals, Inc.
28 Eltingville Blvd. (at Eltingville Station)
Staten Island, NY 10312

Service

MAY 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Jerry Caggiano

October 04, 2023 at 06:13 PM



“ I would like to send with a very deep heart my condolences to Jerry caggiano's wife and family. Jerry was a great man every time I went by he would always be taking care of his cars, boy did he love his cars. He was a great guy to talk to as well. RIP Jerry you will be missed!!!

danny - May 10, 2018 at 09:31 AM



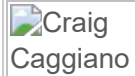
I remember this guy. He had a bit of a following back in 64 when he and 5 other guys stole thirty 1964 Cadillacs in a 60 day period in Brooklyn. He was quite the legend. Loved cars.

Mark Ueberschaar - January 04, 2020 at 07:22 PM



“ Norma, Morgan and Tyler Cohen send you our love and deep condolences. Jerry was an awesome man and Craig's tribute to him was exceptional and shows what his dad was truly like in life. He may be gone but will never be forgotten by anyone who knew him. Morgan & Meri are currently at Hackensack General Hospital waiting for their son to be born. As one of our loved ones leaves us we are sent another blessing. All our love to Rita, Craig, Chris, Scott and their families.

Norma Cohen - May 09, 2018 at 07:00 PM



“ A Tribute to my Dad, by Craig Caggiano

I am glad to see such a great turnout for my dad and family to know that he was loved by many people in his life. My father was a man who deeply cared for his family but expressed them with little words of affection but rather show it with action.

He taught my brothers and I about importance of hard work in his own way and perspective in the areas of family, auto repair, plumbing, electrical and carpentry. He taught us how to give to others and when my father stepped into a room he magically had the ability to connect with others and they would warm up to him instantly.

Most recently when he was in the hospital, I arrived one early morning to an empty bed and was shocked to find him in the family lounge with the aide who was feeding him. She truly was a good person who cared not because of her job but because of her good will and friendliness towards the patient she was in care of, she had a good heart warming up to me and my Mom. She made sure to give us a hug and talk to us when we arrived, she truly loved serving him and I am sure others too.

Another time not to long ago, I took a ride with my Dad to my parents second home in Manahawkin NJ . The plan was to help him empty it out before the new owners were going to purchase it. My dad spent what seemed like hours talking to the prospective owners while I continued to load up the car. That day he also planned to put our boat in storage and to move it to the marina.

My dad met a young man who helped him get the boat trailer repaired a few months before they decided to sell their home. My dad went out of his way to make sure he gave this young man something special for helping my dad out. People generally loved talking to my dad and he made sure to give more than to take from others.

My Dad's favorite thing to say was did you see what's happening in the news today and then we would explain what's important going on in the news. Whether it was about the former OJ trial, past president Obama, President Trump, Hilary Clinton or the new castors in the media he always would tell me how he felt. These things I will remember because it was important to him that his family knew whats going on in the world and why it's important to him.

Whenever I would visit my parents home and get ready to leave my father would run out side to say good-bye to me, no shoes or socks and then make sure to talk to me in private for 10-15 mins more before I left to make sure that I didn't need anything.

Family parties or get togethers was always interesting when my parents needed to be somewhere at a specific time. My father would say what's the rush we have plenty of time, my Mom would always be ready to go hours before and my father on more than one occasion would get them there late.

I guess this rubbed off on me, because I find that I tell my wife the same thing what's the rush and why do we have to get ready so early. My two brothers are more like my Mom and would plan on being ready Hours before they needed to be somewhere.

Holiday dinners was always a high point for my family, many times we would arrive at my parents home and my dad would be dressed in his favorite sleeveless white tee shirt and we would tell him to get dressed he said that he was. The TV would be blasting and my father would surely ask us what do you want a drink, what could I make you.

There was plenty of heated talks that on more then would occasion started with the garlic bread that would magically burn in the oven anytime we ate at my parents home, my dad loved garlic bread !!!!

When we would go out to eat I would ask my dad what he wanted to

eat he would say every time, it doesn't matter as long as it's Italian. My Mom and brother Chris on the other hand would say that eating is not important and why do I concentrate on food so much.

Part 1.

Craig Caggiano - May 09, 2018 at 06:32 PM



A Tribute to my Dad, Part 2

No matter the time of day whenever I should stop by or talk to my parents I would ask what did you eat today and they would try to remember that they might have ate something that day.

Whenever I would BBQ's in my back yard no matter what time of the year, there would magically be a wind storm that would blow everything off the table. It was funny that this happened, I think I am a good cook.

These memories are what I remember most about my dad and know that we all have memories and stories to share.

I want to thank all those who have come to celebrate my dad's life over the last two days and who shared a memory today in honor of him at LaFontana restaurant.

Craig Caggiano - May 09, 2018 at 06:37 PM

A square profile picture with a light brown background and the letters 'AG' in white.

Great memories and stories, I'm sure your dad is looking down on you and smiling and saying "what's the rush!" May he Rest In Peace and watch over your family.

Anthony Gambardella - May 10, 2018 at 06:11 AM

JA

My heart is heavy. I Love you Uncle Jerry. You were always there for me growing up. Always willing to voice your opinion. OH BOY COULD YOU TALK!! Even when we had very different opinions your love for me was unconditional. Oh and don't get me started on the paper cups I kept in my freezer of your homemade Pesto. You showed me such respect as a kid that grew into mutual respect as an adult. Although we didn't speak as often as I would have liked (you know, life gets in the way) our conversations were informational (as you liked it) and funny as well. Down to our last goodbye & "I Love you" on the phone. You will be truly missed! xoxoxo Jacki

Jacki - May 10, 2018 at 11:02 AM

ML

There are no words to explain the pain of losing someone as great as a dad. Great memories.

Michael Larkin - May 18, 2018 at 10:08 AM

JH

“ junel H. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Jerry Caggiano.



junel H. - May 08, 2018 at 07:09 PM

JH

“ Junel Hutchinson lit a candle in memory of Jerry Caggiano



Junel Hutchinson - May 08, 2018 at 06:11 PM

WK

“ Wayne And Kristy lit a candle in memory of Jerry Caggiano



wayne and kristy - May 08, 2018 at 01:29 PM

MD

“ Mary Daniele sent a virtual gift in memory of Jerry Caggiano



Mary Daniele - May 08, 2018 at 01:28 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jerry Caggiano.



May 08, 2018 at 09:06 AM

SS

“ Steve and Susan Strawbridge purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jerry Caggiano.



Steve and Susan Strawbridge - May 08, 2018 at 07:18 AM

CC

“ 1 file added to the album *Jerry Caggiano*



CHRIS CAGGIANO - May 08, 2018 at 06:06 AM

CC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



CHRIS CAGGIANO - May 08, 2018 at 05:48 AM

CC

“ *CHRIS CAGGIANO lit a candle in memory of Jerry Caggiano*



CHRIS CAGGIANO - May 08, 2018 at 05:44 AM

CC

In Memory Of My Dad

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Published: February 2008

*If I could write a story,
It would be the greatest ever told
Of a kind and loving father
Who had a heart of gold.*

*I could write a million pages
But still be unable to say just how
Much I love and miss him
Every single day.*

*I will remember all he taught me.
I'm hurt but won't be sad,
Because he'll send me down the answers,
And he'll always be my dad.*

Source: <https://www.familyfriendpoems.com/poem/in-memory-of-my-dad>

CHRIS CAGGIANO - May 08, 2018 at 05:45 AM

LS

“ Love, Tony & Barbara Scaramuzzino purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of Jerry Caggiano.



Love, Tony & Barbara Scaramuzzino - May 08, 2018 at 12:17 AM

DR

“ Dawn Roccaro lit a candle in memory of Jerry Caggiano



Dawn Roccaro - May 07, 2018 at 07:09 PM

DR

“ We are deeply saddened by Jerry's passing. We will cherish our memories together as he will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with his Family.

*With Love,
Dawn and Saige Roccaro
Louis Nascone*

Dawn Roccaro - May 07, 2018 at 07:05 PM

SM

“ Sophia Mom lit a candle in memory of Jerry Caggiano



Sophia Mom - May 07, 2018 at 05:08 PM

LF

“ Lou & Colleen Borsellino and Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Jerry Caggiano.



Lou & Colleen Borsellino and Family - May 07, 2018 at 04:00 PM

NB

“ NY association of Mortgage Brokers purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Jerry Caggiano.



NY association of Mortgage Brokers - May 07, 2018 at 03:56 PM



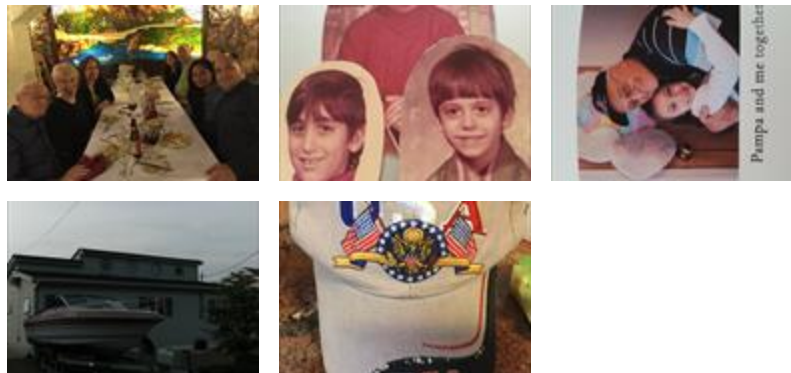
“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jerry Caggiano.



May 07, 2018 at 02:45 PM

Craig Caggiano

“ 33 files added to the album Jerry Caggiano



Craig Caggiano - May 07, 2018 at 02:20 PM

CM

“ Caryn & Stuart Maclean lit a candle in memory of Jerry Caggiano



Caryn & Stuart Maclean - May 07, 2018 at 01:42 PM

SC

“ 2 files added to the album DAD#1



Scott - May 07, 2018 at 01:02 PM

SC

To my mentor ,friend and most importantly an amazing dad . You showed me how to carry myself in the right manner , be good to others and cherish family . You will be truly missed everyday. Love Scott

Scott - May 07, 2018 at 01:14 PM

KV

“ Kimberly Villanella lit a candle in memory of Jerry Caggiano



Kimberly Villanella - May 07, 2018 at 12:53 PM



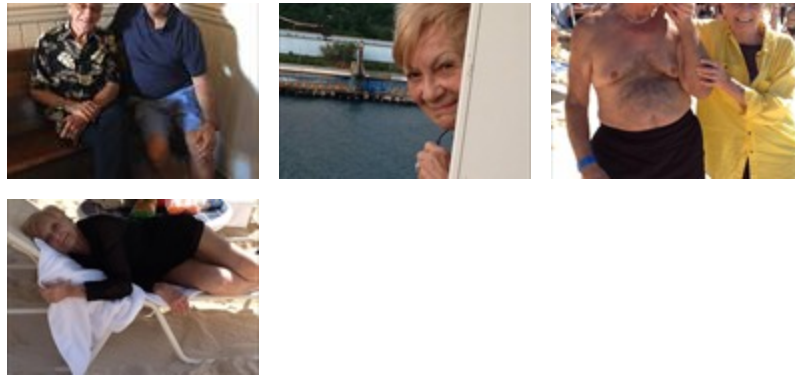
“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Jerry Caggiano.



May 07, 2018 at 10:15 AM



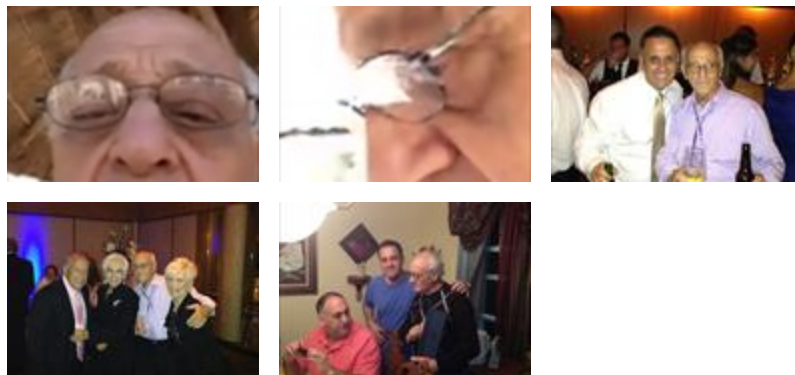
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CHRIS CAGGIANO - May 07, 2018 at 10:06 AM



“ *6 files added to the album New Album Name*



CHRIS CAGGIANO - May 07, 2018 at 09:13 AM

AN

“ *Andrea lit a candle in memory of Jerry Caggiano*



Andrea - May 06, 2018 at 08:24 PM

AN

“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



Andrea - May 06, 2018 at 08:21 PM

BI

“ *9 files added to the album Jerry Caggiano*



Bianca - May 06, 2018 at 08:06 PM

RC

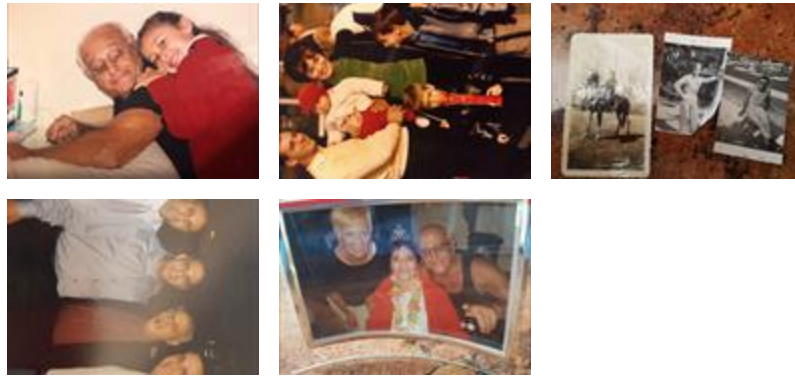
“ *Rita Caggiano lit a candle in memory of Jerry Caggiano*



Rita Caggiano - May 06, 2018 at 06:40 PM

CC

“ *8 files added to the album Jerry Caggiano*



Chris Caggiano - May 06, 2018 at 06:31 PM

CC

“ *Chris Caggiano lit a candle in memory of Jerry Caggiano*



Chris Caggiano - May 06, 2018 at 06:24 PM

CF

“ Carolyn Franklin sent a virtual gift in memory of Jerry Caggiano



carolyn franklin - May 06, 2018 at 04:47 PM

CF

“ Carolyn Franklin lit a candle in memory of Jerry Caggiano



carolyn franklin - May 06, 2018 at 04:45 PM