

## Thomas P. Lapolla

March 17, 1935 - November 13, 2020

Thomas P. Lapolla, 85 of Great Kills, passed away on Friday, November 13, 2020, at his home surrounded by his loving family.

Born Sunday, March 17, 1935 in New York, New York, he was the son of the late Mazzini Lapolla and Anna Harkins-Lapolla. He was the beloved husband of Shelia Lapolla nee Harrington

Tom proudly served his country in the United States Army from 1954-1956 as a radar specialist in Fort Meade, MD.

He was a firefighter with the FDNY. His last house before retirement was in Port Richmond Staten Island, Engine 157 Ladder 80.

Surviving is his wife Shelia, his children, Thomas P. Lapolla Jr. (Mary), Helene Lapolla, John Lapolla (Deirdre), Joseph Lapolla (Lisa) and Brian Lapolla; his brother Joseph Lapolla, 10 grandchildren and 1 great grandson.

He was predeceased by his brother Frankie and sister Maryann.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10:00 AM on Tuesday at St. Clare's Church located at 110 Nelson Avenue Staten Island, New York 10308. Interment will be in Resurrection Cemetery, Staten Island, NY.

The family will receive friends from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM on Monday, November 16, 2020, at John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals, Inc., 28 Eltingville Blvd, Staten Island, New York.

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.

Due to the current pandemic circumstances please note:

We do not accept deliveries from outside vendors for bakery products, fruit baskets, and floral arrangements until further notice.

Floral Arrangements can be purchased from our in house floral designers who work under the most stringent sanitary conditions which include temperature checks, mask wearing, distancing and protective clothing.

We must protect the families we serve, our own families and staff who operate the funeral home.

Online condolences may be made to the family at [www.scaliahome.com](http://www.scaliahome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Resurrection Cemetery

361 Sharrot Avenue  
Staten Island, NY 10309

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **16**. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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

## Service

NOV **17**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Clare's Church  
110 Nelson Avenue  
Staten Island, NY 10308

# Tribute Wall



“ *John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Thomas P. Lapolla*



John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals Inc. - November 15, 2020 at 03:48 PM

TL

*Wow! Beautiful memories, so many blessings, a life filled with love. You will be greatly missed my Uncle Tom! Rest in peace.*

Theresa Lapolla - November 15, 2020 at 05:21 PM

CL

*Our loss—heavens gain  
Carol Lapolla*

Carol Lapolla - November 17, 2020 at 09:12 PM



“ *Thomas P. Lapolla*

October 04, 2023 at 06:13 PM



“ *Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of Thomas P. Lapolla.*



November 19, 2020 at 08:44 AM



“ *rest in peace tom  
prayers for the Lapolla family*

tom mcgoff...FDNY - November 16, 2020 at 03:35 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the  
family of Thomas P. Lapolla.*



November 16, 2020 at 03:31 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the  
family of Thomas P. Lapolla.*



November 16, 2020 at 10:22 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for  
the family of Thomas P. Lapolla.*



November 16, 2020 at 09:36 AM

TL

“ To my Uncle Tom, born on St. Patricks Day.

*Consider the Shamrock*

*By Kelly Roper*

*Consider the shamrock, how St. Patrick said  
It represents the Holy Trinity.*

*Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
And the Heavenly realms that be.*

*We're taught that if we follow God  
and strive to do His will,*

*One day we'll go to our reward  
In His shining city on a hill.*

*Take heart that our dearly departed,  
Now knows the face of God,*

*And the Lord's presence radiates all around,  
An encompasses him with love.*

*So each time you see a shamrock,  
Remember your loved one that's passed.*

*Strive to be worthy of Heaven,  
Where you'll be reunited at last.*

*Until we meet again! Your loving God Daughter,  
Theresa Lapolla*

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**Theresa Lapolla** - November 16, 2020 at 07:48 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas P. Lapolla.



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November 15, 2020 at 06:59 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Thomas P. Lapolla.*



November 15, 2020 at 04:52 PM



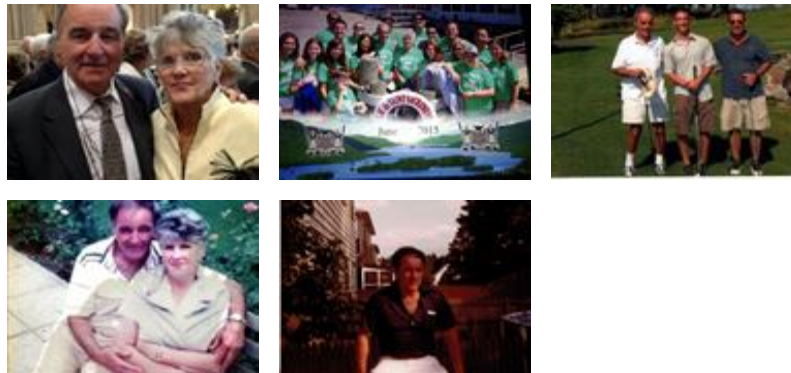
“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Thomas P. Lapolla.*



November 15, 2020 at 03:52 PM



“ *69 files added to the album LifeTributes*



John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals Inc. - November 15, 2020 at 03:40 PM

LC

“ Love Kathy & Joe Caneco purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Thomas P. Lapolla.



Love Kathy & Joe Caneco - November 15, 2020 at 03:11 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Thomas P. Lapolla.



November 15, 2020 at 11:32 AM



“ Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Thomas P. Lapolla.



November 15, 2020 at 09:18 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas P. Lapolla.



November 14, 2020 at 09:12 PM

LS

“ Lisa & Michael Szymanski purchased the Care and Compassion Spray for the family of Thomas P. Lapolla.



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**Lisa & Michael Szymanski** - November 14, 2020 at 07:50 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Thomas P. Lapolla.



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November 14, 2020 at 03:05 PM

LJ

“ Love Melissa, Adriana and Juliana purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Thomas P. Lapolla.



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**Love Melissa, Adriana and Juliana** - November 14, 2020 at 02:33 PM