



## Dr. Vito A Guido

September 8, 1951 - September 3, 2022

Vito A. Guido was called home to his eternal reward in heaven on Saturday, September 3, 2022 at his Great Kills residence surrounded by his wife and relatives.

Vito was born to Nicholas Guido and Josephine DeLuca Guido on September 8, 1951. He was raised in the Cobble Hill section of Brooklyn and graduated from St. Paul Elementary School and Bishop Francis Xavier Ford High School. Vito proudly earned a Bachelor of Science, Master of Science, and a Doctor of Philosophy degrees in Civil Engineering from The Polytechnical Institute of Brooklyn.

Dr. Vito A. Guido embarked on a 43-year career in academia as a Professor of Civil Engineering at the prestigious The Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art in New York City. He published professional papers in the application of geosynthetics to foundation and drainage problems. Dr. Guido was a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers and held Professional Engineering

status

from the University of the State of New York.

During his tenure, Dr. Guido advised approximately 60 Master's dissertations and

was awarded the Excellence in Teaching Award for the Metropolitan District by Chi Epsilon. At the time of his passing, he served as the George Fox Chair of Civil

Engineering and enjoyed his life's work in developing future civil engineers.

At home, Vito enjoyed cooking his favorite Italian dishes, listening to music and

dancing, and entertaining his family and friends on game nights. He and his wife,

Gerri, traveled to many beautiful destinations including Italy and Hawaii, and, often enjoyed cruising and trips to Atlantic City.

Vito was predeceased by his parents, Nicholas and Josephine Guido, and his mother and father-in-law, Joseph and Pietrina Giunta. Vito is survived by his loving wife of 36 years, Geraldine Giunta Guido, and devoted cousins and friends.

Dr. Guido will be greatly missed by his esteemed colleagues at The Cooper Union

and the students that he was proud to teach.

The family will receive friends from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM on Wednesday, September 7, 2022, at John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals, Inc., 28 Eltingville Blvd, Staten Island, New York.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:15 a.m. on Thursday,

September 8th at St Charles

Roman Catholic Church, . Entombment to follow at Resurrection Cemetery.

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

SEP 7. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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28 Eltingville Blvd  
Staten Island, NY 10312

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SEP 7. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

SEP 8. 10:15 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St Charles Church  
200 Penn Ave  
Staten Island, NY 10306



# Tribute Wall

VA

“ *Dr. Guido showed me much about the human empathic nature of teaching during my class in Fluids with him in 1980. I had much personal tragedy the Fall '80 which he helped me persevere. Not only that, my engineering career is all about fluids. Dr. Guido introduced me to that field! Vinny Amarosa ME'81*

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**vincent amarosa** - August 15, 2024 at 03:52 PM



“ *Dr. Vito A Guido*

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October 04, 2023 at 06:13 PM

AN

“ *I was so saddened to hear of the loss of my colleague, Prof. Guido. He always greeted me with a big hello when I saw him in the hallway and would ask how my daughter, who studied civil engineering and went on to a career in construction, was doing. He was so caring. His passing is a loss for the current and future students of The Cooper Union. We will all miss him.*

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**Andrea Newmark** - September 12, 2022 at 11:30 AM

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“ *Dr. Guido was the Alex Trebek of The Cooper Union. He was universally loved by peers and students. He treated everyone with kindness and respect, often addressing students by Mr. and Ms. Up until I had his class, I was never addressed as such! Thank you, for the engineering lessons, and more importantly, the life lessons.*



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**Suet-Yee Huang CE 94** - September 09, 2022 at 11:37 PM

JS

“ *So sorry for your loss. I was an undergrad and grad student of Dr G at Cooper in 1990 and 1991. He was a kind man and an amazing professor that never ceased to inspire me and my fellow students. He will be sorely missed. -John Squerciati*

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**John Squerciati** - September 09, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. Vito A Guido.*



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September 08, 2022 at 12:33 PM

AC

“ *Almost 30 years ago, I learned from Professor Guido that dirt was a 4 letter word. He taught that understanding soils is a much art as it is science and put me a path to become as a geotechnical engineer. He was one of the best professors (I actually still have some of my Guido notes) and great mentor and thesis advisor. I was luckily to stay in touch with him over the years. He will be missed but his legacy will continue live on in his students.*



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**Athena Caramichael DeNivo CE94** - September 07, 2022 at 10:56 PM

GM

“ *Gary Marcus lit a candle in memory of Dr. Vito A Guido*



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**Gary Marcus** - September 07, 2022 at 08:22 PM

GM

“ *1 file added to the album The Cooper Years*



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**Gary Marcus** - September 07, 2022 at 08:18 PM

GL

“ We are deeply saddened by the loss of our dear friend, Vito. We will always remember his warm loving heart and will miss his joyful presence. Vito had a way of making a simple game night at home as grand as a big night out! Thank you for all those cherished wonderful memories, V. We will always remember you with love and a smile. May you rest in peace.



*Gerard and Evelyn Lacagnino*

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**Gerard Lacagnino** - September 07, 2022 at 07:02 PM

RM

“ Please accept my deepest condolences. As a graduate and adjunct at Cooper Union, I have come to know Vito as a wonderful, mentoring professor as well as a dedicated, caring faculty member who collaborates with care and compassion to deliver a lasting, positive learning experience for students and fellow staff and faculty. I pray for your comfort and that of all those that know and love Vito. May he rest in peace in the arms of our Lord. His spirit lives on in all those whose lives he influenced, including me.

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**Robert Marano** - September 07, 2022 at 03:10 PM

JV

“ You'll be sorely missed, Doc. You were an amazing mentor through the years, and it has been a privilege to serve Cooper's students with you. Thanks for all you have done to keep Cooper a very special place. You've touched the lives of thousands through the years and improved each and every one.

*To Rose and the family, my heartfelt condolences. May the memories of good times keep his light burning brightly in your hearts, sustain you and give you strength until we all meet again.*

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**Joe Viola** - September 07, 2022 at 10:34 AM

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“ *William, Mohammed, James, Ian (CE'19)*  
*purchased the Basket of Memories for the family*  
*of Dr. Vito A Guido.*



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**William, Mohammed, James, Ian (CE'19)** - September 07,  
2022 at 02:20 AM

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“ *Hyeajin, Fanny, Brandon, Jobin (CE'19)*  
*purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of*  
*Dr. Vito A Guido.*



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**Hyeajin, Fanny, Brandon, Jobin (CE'19)** - September 07, 2022  
at 02:14 AM



“ *Delightful Dieffenbachia* was purchased for the  
*family of Dr. Vito A Guido.*



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September 07, 2022 at 12:14 AM

OM

“ It is with great sadness that I heard of Prof. Vito Guido's passing. I offer my deepest condolences to his family. I will always treasure the memories of his warm-hearted nature and the generous amount of time that he spent with me listening to many ideas. It was his vision though to offer a new interdisciplinary course that introduced biotechnology to his Civil Engineering students, and I am eternally grateful to Vito for having given me the opportunity to help design and teach the course. His passion for teaching spanned many subjects and transcended arbitrary boundaries. Thank you, Vito, for being a wonderful colleague and mentor.

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**Oliver Medvedik** - September 06, 2022 at 11:34 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. Vito A Guido.



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September 06, 2022 at 10:58 PM

FF

“ We are deeply saddened to hear about the passing of our dear cousin Vito. A man who was greatly loved , respected and admired.May his soul rest in eternal peace and our memories made together will always remain deep within our hearts . We loved spending time with you and Gerry , enjoyed learning all about our family traditions and will miss your homemade pizza .Thank you for always making us feel special and loved . We will miss you ... but your memories will remain with us forever. We will continue to make you proud and will always be there for Gerry. Love your cousins Rob, Frances Robert and Kate

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**Frances Franolic** - September 06, 2022 at 08:30 PM

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“ Thank you Dr Guido, my favorite professor.

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**Nora Immoor** - September 06, 2022 at 06:52 PM

CB

“ Vito, my baby cousin, you will always be in my heart as a wonderful cousin. I was blessed with having you to share many good memories with. You will be greatly missed.

*It will be difficult not seeing you or hearing your soothing voice. My deepest sympathies to Geraldine, my beautiful cousin.*

*Rest in Peace, Love, Cousin, Connie*

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**Connie Birch** - September 06, 2022 at 04:44 PM

DH

“ Thank you Dr. Guido for being one of my most memorable and best professors at Cooper Union. Although I graduated many, many years ago much of what you taught has helped me in my work and in my personal life. May you rest in peace, you will be missed. My sincere condolences to the family.

*Dina Elshakry-Hafez*

*CE '95*

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**Dina Elshakry - Hafez** - September 06, 2022 at 04:18 PM

ST

“ Thanks Prof. Dr. Vito Guido for teaching me the "foundation" and the "mechanic" (quite literally) of life...based on honesty and integrity.

*I may not be your best student academically, but I've always learnt your lessons and appreciated your love and care for ALL the students under your watch.*

*Samson Tso, CE '95*

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**Samson Tso** - September 06, 2022 at 04:06 PM

MS

“ I was one of Professor Guido's graduate students in 1983-84. I also travelled with him to the 1985 ISSMFE Conference in San Francisco to present our joint paper. Will always remember dining in the Chinatown and Little Italy sections of the city with him during the trip. He was a wonderful teacher, and I can honestly say he had more influence on my life than any man except my own father.

*Michael J Sullivan PE  
BCE 83, MCE 84*

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**Michael Sullivan** - September 06, 2022 at 03:21 PM

FF

“ Vito was a great teacher, mentor and colleague. He was a vital member of the Cooper Union community, and we will remember him fondly.

*My sincerest condolences*

*Fred L Fontaine*

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**Fred L Fontaine** - September 06, 2022 at 02:41 PM

JN

“ I am very sorry for the loss of a great man. I was one of Dr. Guido's graduate students at The Cooper Union so many years ago. As my thesis advisor he was always patient and kind. I had to change my thesis a few times including getting an extension to complete it while I had already started working. He always worked with me and guided me through it. I am eternally grateful for what he taught me and the contribution he made to my success as a Civil Engineer. He also lived next to my Great Aunt Connie and she always raved about how nice of a person he was. He will be missed but never forgotten. Godspeed. - John J. Nocera, PE, BCEE

John Nocera - September 06, 2022 at 02:09 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dr. Vito A Guido.



September 06, 2022 at 12:20 PM

AB

“ Forever grateful for having Prof. G. His contribution as a professor continues.  
My sincerest thoughts for his family.  
Anamaria Bonilla

Anamaria Bonilla - September 06, 2022 at 11:18 AM



“ Vito was a beloved colleague and friend to all of us at Cooper Union. Everyone here who had the chance to work with him knows what a fine, brilliant person he was. We are so sorry for your loss.

Robert Topper - September 06, 2022 at 08:13 AM

DC

“ Vito, We will miss you terribly, dear friend! Your passing is a great loss to this world and to your beloved wife Gerri (as well as other family and friends). We'll miss meeting you in AC; going out to dinner with you, and sharing game nights. We'll miss your sense of humor and unique laugh. Hopefully, you're sharing laughter with the angels above, and basking in God's eternal glory!  
Until we meet again in a better place (con la grazia di Dio) .... Love,  
your forever friends, Bob & Debbie

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**Deborah Canciello** - September 05, 2022 at 06:48 PM

TE

“ Thomas, Cynthia, Josephine & Ed purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Dr. Vito A Guido.



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**Thomas, Cynthia, Josephine & Ed** - September 05, 2022 at 03:27 PM

TG

“ So sad to hear this news of my cousin Vito's passing. Memories of such wonderful times together growing up in Brooklyn, and in later years dining at Vito and Gerry's home on Christmas Eve.

*Wonderful memories of time spent*

*See you on the other side Cuz*

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**Tom Guarnera** - September 05, 2022 at 02:48 PM

JT

“ Our cousin was a brilliant man; but always modest and kind. We have a lifetime of wonderful memories together. Thank you Gerri for all the years of love and happiness you brought Vito. Sadly, we won't be able to meet on Court Street, but we will see you in heaven dear cousin.

*Love, Cousins Josie and Ed.*

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**Josephine Tuffy** - September 05, 2022 at 02:15 PM

GC

“ Vito, we are devastated of your passing. Francesco is heartbroken, as all of us are. After I spoke with Geraldine yesterday, a big butterfly came towards me and flew over my head. I know that was you saying your last goodbye. I felt you passing through from within. The times and memories made will forever stay in our hearts. Rest in eternal peace. You will be dearly missed.

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**Grace Caroli** - September 05, 2022 at 02:10 PM

RG

“ So sorry for your loss  
*Rose and Vito Guido*

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**Rose and Vito Guido** - September 05, 2022 at 01:45 PM