



## Joseph. M. Ferraro Jr.

August 19, 1941 - February 28, 2019

Saugerties – Joseph M. Ferraro, Jr. died Thursday, February 28, 2019 at Westchester Medical Center in Valhalla, NY. He was 77 years old.

Born August 19, 1941 in Glasco, he was the son of Joseph Ferraro, Sr. and Rose Petramale Ferraro. On October 28, 1961 he married his beloved wife of 57 years, Barbara Riccardi.

He was a proud veteran of the United States Air Force. Throughout a successful 30-year career at IBM, Joe was promoted through multiple levels of management, rising from manufacturing machine operator to Fourth Line Manager of a staff of more than a thousand. The accomplishments and friendships Joe made at IBM were a great source of pride and pleasure. He retired in 1993, and went on to enjoy a long and happy retirement, helping to raise his grandchildren, and serving as a member of Saint Joseph's Holy Name Society. He loved woodworking; he filled his home and the homes of his children with beautiful hand-crafted furniture, which will be a legacy to remember for generations to come. For the many who knew and loved him, he will surely be remembered for his captivating stories and jokes.

An avid Giants and Yankees fan, he also enjoyed hunting. He truly cherished his grandchildren and was open to any adventure they wanted to take him on.

In addition to his loving wife, survivors include two children, Joseph “Chip” Ferraro III (and his wife Galia), and Michele “Mitchy” Winters; four grandchildren Anastasia and Odin Ferraro, and Kerry Jr. and Kyle Winters; his brother Dennis and his wife Elaine; and his sister-in-law MaryAnn Riccardi with whom he shared a special bond. He was pre-deceased by his daughter Gina Ferraro; his infant grand-daughter Dea Francesca Ferraro; his son-in-law Kerry Winters; and four siblings, Sal and Dominic Ferraro, Jane Brandt and Thelma Wells.

A procession will form 9:15 Tuesday, March 4, 2019 at Buono Funeral Service, Inc. and then proceed to St. Joseph’s Church in Glasco where a 10:00 AM Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated. Interment with full military honors will follow immediately in St. Mary of the Snow Cemetery in Barclay Heights. Friends and family may call Monday from 2:00 PM until 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM until 9:00 PM at Buono Funeral Service, Inc.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 4. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Buono Funeral Service, Inc.  
100 Main Street  
Saugerties, NY 12477  
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## Visitation

MAR 4. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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## Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 5. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Joseph's Church  
Glasco Turnpike  
Glasco, NY 12432

# Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph. M. Ferraro Jr.*

October 20, 2022 at 08:34 PM



“ *We are so sorry to hear about Joe.  
He was a great guy and a great neighbor.  
We will keep him and the family in our prayers.  
Sincerely,  
Mark & Annie Hoffstatter*

**Mark Hoffstatter** - March 04, 2019 at 12:10 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Joseph. M. Ferraro Jr..*



March 04, 2019 at 11:17 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joseph. M. Ferraro Jr..*



March 04, 2019 at 10:50 AM

MC

“ All of our sympathies for the loss of a great family man and friend, and at the same time our joy for a life well-lived and much-loved.

*Mark, Lynda, Matthew and Victoria Cioni*

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**MARK CIONI** - March 04, 2019 at 10:19 AM

JL

“ Dear Joe, you are the beloved friend I never had the pleasure to meet. I just read your obituary and as I did, I thought about some of the things Barbara has shared with me; she told me you just made a piece of furniture for your grandson recently, and she always shares with me about how you and Mary Anne have such a special relationship too. That's just two of the many things I have heard about you the past few years. You were a great foundation for a wonderful family and your legacy will be everlasting. I will sorely miss you as I know your family will. Heaven is a much better place now that you are there. Love, Jo

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**Jo Longstreth** - March 04, 2019 at 09:02 AM

DN

“ Dan & Joyce Nittolo purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Joseph. M. Ferraro Jr..



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**Dan & Joyce Nittolo** - March 03, 2019 at 08:29 PM

KS

“ Being an USAF Vet with Joe, serving on remote Radar Sites in Iceland and Airborne Radar Missions out of Otis AFB, MA in 1961-62, one of the greatest compliments you could give a fellow GI was, "If I am ever in a foxhole, I would want you to be the one guy in there with me." That implied the total trust and confidence you had in that person. Those would be my parting words to Joe. Thank you Lord for the gift of life through Joe Ferraro, who will always be my Dear Bud and I will miss dearly ...

*Ken & Rita*

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**ken Stanley** - March 03, 2019 at 07:57 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Joseph. M. Ferraro Jr..



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March 03, 2019 at 09:58 AM

GM

“ What a shock!!! I cannot believe you have left us....I love you, Joe, you have been such a great friend to Lou and I.....No one on this earth made me laugh like you did....I loved sending you emails...and getting so many great ones back from you.....My memories will always be of that smile and great laugh.....Thanks for all of the great memories at work, thanks for always being there for us in tough times....thanks for just being your warm, smart, funny, loyal self. I will miss you terribly and send my deepest sympathies to Barb and Chip and Mitchie.... I know how much you loved them..We will never, ever forget you. Rest well, buddy....Love you, Gerry

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**Gerry Molella** - March 02, 2019 at 04:11 PM

LM

“ How do I begin to share my love for a man who through multiple trials of his own never failed to put his arms around me when I was at my lowest and faced with some of my hardest challenges! Joe, I know Our Lord has a special place for you in his kingdom. You were always at my side in difficult times and good times, always with a smile, a note of confidence, and the tenacity to make things happen. They nicknamed us Batman and Robin, and when we overcame the shenanigans of Manufacturing, it was you and your team that forced apologies from the highest levels. You came to my bedside when I was bedridden with pain, and ran our operations. Loyalty, Brains, Personality, are but a few of the tributes I want to share with those who love you. But our relationship went further than that, as our pride in our Italian Heritage, and the shared stories of our youth, brought us to tears of joy. Your relationship with my wife Gerry, that special group of friends that meet on Thursday mornings, and those great folks and special leaders that helped give us the opportunity to fail, will give us all pause, to look back and reflect on just how good a man we have lost. You have touched so many lives and made them better with your kindness, wisdom, and caring way! You will forever be in my prayers, and I want all to know, especially your immediate family, how easy it was to love you, and how hard it is to say goodbye. Until we meet again, your other brother ,Lou Molella

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**Louis Molella** - March 02, 2019 at 02:36 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Joseph. M. Ferraro Jr..



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March 02, 2019 at 09:16 AM

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“ *Lost a great friend, Joe was a great guy we had great times working together.* ”

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**Tom and Fran Resso** - March 02, 2019 at 07:27 AM