



## Joseph A. Rizzo

October 2, 1953 - December 21, 2017

Albany-Joseph A. Rizzo, 64, entered into Eternal Life Thursday, December 21, 2017 at home surrounded by his family after a long illness. Born in Gimigliano, Italy October 2, 1953. He immigrated to America with his parents in 1966.

He graduated in 1972 from Cardinal McCloskey High School. He attended Hudson Valley Community College. The day after graduation Joe married his wife, Joanne Bolognino and they began their beautiful life together.

Joe was an avid hunter and sportsman. He loved traveling to different areas to hunt, including Africa. He enjoyed gardening, riding his motorcycle and camping with his grandchildren whom he loved with all his heart. Joe retired from the NYS Thruway Authority as a supervisor after 36 years.

Joe is survived by his loving wife of 43 years, Joanne R. Bolognino Rizzo; beloved father of Dominick (Jennifer) Rizzo and Anthony (Joel) Harrington; loving son of Dominick and Maria Cubello Rizzo; cherished Poppi of Joseph, Alexander, and Lucas; son-in-law of Mary Bolognino and the late Carl Bolognino; brother-in-law of John Bolognino, Joseph Bolognino (Eileen), and Nancy Spafford (Tom); survived by 1 nephew, and many aunts, uncles, nieces, cousins and friends.

The family extends a heartfelt thank you to Dr. Garbo and Dr. Savage for their

compassionate and caring support.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Joe's family Tuesday, December 26, 2017 4:00 to 7:00 pm in All Saints Catholic Church, Albany, NY

Funeral services Wednesday, December 27, 2017 at 9:00 am in All Saints Catholic Church, Albany, NY where his Funeral Mass will be celebrated.

The Rite of Committal will be held in St. Agnes Cemetery, Menands immediately following the Mass.

To leave a message for the family, please visit [www.LGFuneralHome.com](http://www.LGFuneralHome.com)

Those wishing to remember Joseph in a special way may send a contribution to either All Saints Catholic Church, 16 Homestead St., Albany, NY 12203, or American Cancer Society, 1 Penny Lane, Latham, NY 12110.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Agnes Cemetery

48 Cemetery Ave  
Menands, NY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **26**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Parish of All Saints Catholic Church  
1168 Western Ave  
Albany, NY

## Service

DEC **27**. 9:00 AM (ET)

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Albany, NY

# Tribute Wall

PD

“ On behalf of the members of the American Italian Heritage Association & Museum our sincere sympathy to Joanne and family, We were honored to have Joe as a member. We always were glad to see Joe and Joanne at our events. they came with interest and love of their Italian heritage. May Joe rest in peace. Joanne and family you are in our thoughts and prayers.  
*Prof./Cav. Philip J. DiNovo, President*

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**Prof./Cav. Philip J. DiNovo** - December 26, 2017 at 09:46 PM

JS

*Our heartfelt sympathy to Joanne and the entire Rizzo family for the loss of such a wonderful man. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.  
JoAnn and Ken Strube*

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**JoAnn and Ken Strube** - January 07, 2018 at 11:35 AM

SP

“ To the Rizzo family \_ we extend our deepest condolences, we will miss him, our dearest friend.  
*Santino & Irene Pavone*

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**Santino Pavone** - December 26, 2017 at 09:29 PM

DM

“ JoAnne & the beautiful Joe + JoAnne Rizzo family have lost a Good man with the room -lighting smile. So have we all lost a friend. We expect his energy and enthusiasm for family will be carried forward by his sons, Dominick and Anthony, and grandsons, Joe, Alexander, and Lucas. We'll be at Eucharist Wednesday here at our daughter's parish in Illinois and join with you in receiving Holy Communion. The time he spent the week before last talking with us about the five boys, hunting, and saying, " I have a great life, I have no regrets, absolutely none, " was a privilege for Deacon Gary and me. Joanne, we're very for your loss. Deacon Tim. [ + Mrs. Maureen] McAuliffe

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**Deacon Tim. McAuliff** - December 26, 2017 at 04:54 PM

SK

“ JOE,  
My " BROTHER " from the gun club.. Target shooting is what we did together..  
but I can still hear your LAUGHS .....

Steve Kwarta

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**steve kwarta** - December 26, 2017 at 09:33 AM

CY

“ cousins Josephine Sansalone, Pia and Nick York purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Joseph A. Rizzo.



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**cousins Josephine Sansalone, Pia and Nick York** - December 26, 2017 at 08:50 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Joseph A. Rizzo.*



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December 25, 2017 at 10:28 AM



“ *JoAnne, Dominick, Tony and Family, we were so saddened to hear of Joe's death. We know he has been ill for a while and have kept him and all of you in our prayers. Know that are hearts are with you at this time. With love, Nancy and George Leveille*

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**Nancy Leveille** - December 25, 2017 at 08:13 AM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss.. May God comfort the Rizzo family. Michelle you are in our prayers and will always be a part of our family. Love Linda Parker &Family.*

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**linda** - December 24, 2017 at 10:27 PM

MB

“ Dear Cousin Joanne and family:  
We are all so saddened to hear of Joes' passing. We all have fond memories of him and will always remember his beautiful smile and infectious laugh. Know that we are all thinking of you during this time of sorrow. Sending you much love and prayer to you all. Joe will be sorely missed by all those he met and his memories will continue to live through them. May he rest in peace.

With love,  
Mary & Tony Barranca  
Angela, Lina & Frank D'Agostino  
Families  
Niagara Falls Canada

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**Mary Barranca** - December 24, 2017 at 10:38 AM

DM

“ Donna, Johnny, Lisa, Michelle and Maya purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Joseph A. Rizzo.



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**Donna, Johnny, Lisa, Michelle and Maya** - December 24, 2017 at 10:35 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joseph A. Rizzo.



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December 24, 2017 at 10:01 AM

JG

“ *Our love and prayers to all the family!  
With sadness, Jane and Ron Gorda*

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**jane gorda** - December 24, 2017 at 09:59 AM

DC

“ *Joanne, Dom and tony,*

*I have many years of great memories of Joe!...always with an honest opinion...wise, loving family man who was dedicated to his family...My heart aches for all of you...Maria and Dominick, you had the joy of welcoming Joe into this world and the unique, however sad experience of giving him back to God.*

*Love you all!  
Donna*

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**Donna Colby** - December 24, 2017 at 09:58 AM

DC

“ *Donna Colby lit a candle in memory of Joseph A. Rizzo*



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**Donna Colby** - December 24, 2017 at 09:50 AM

TM

“ *We are so sorry for all of you. We thought a lot of Joe he was a special person in our lives. We are here is anyone of you or your family needs anything please don't hesitate to let us know. You have our deepest sympathy and prayers. Tom & Lois*

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**Tom & Lois Maychack** - December 24, 2017 at 07:03 AM



“ *Joanne, Tony and Family I am so sorry for your loss. I'm glad I had the opportunity to meet Joe and be in his presence on several occasions. Sending prayers for everyone.*

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**Marianne VanDerhyden** - December 24, 2017 at 02:34 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joseph A. Rizzo.*



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December 22, 2017 at 04:08 PM