



John D. Masserio

September 24, 1942 - October 3, 2023

John Masserio, 81, of Weeki Wachee, FL (formerly of Berlin, CT) passed away unexpectedly on October 3, 2023. John was the beloved husband of 50 years to Laraine (Whitmore) Masserio. John was born in New Britain, CT on September 24, 1942 to the late John C. Massirio and Dorothy (Zavarella) Massirio.

John is survived by his 7 children: Ed Woodward and his wife Candy of Berlin, CT, Laurie Fargione of Berlin, CT, Karleen Giarratana and her husband Salvatore of Farmington, CT, Dorene Masserio-Beach and her husband John of Berlin, CT, Larry Woodward of Waterbury, CT, John D. Masserio Jr. of New Britain, CT and Lisa Masserio of Brooksville, FL. He is also survived by 14 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. John is also survived by his sisters – Carol Sarnowski and her husband Richard of Boca Raton, FL and June Hartunian and her husband Ronald of Port St. Lucie, FL. He also leaves behind many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

John graduated from New Britain High School. While in high school, his love for 55 Chevys prompted him to join the car club. He also dedicated himself to service by achieving the honor of Eagle Scout – an honor he was very proud of and shared fondly with his grandsons. Shortly after graduating from high school, he worked for a period of time at Pratt and Whitney Aircraft before embarking on a successful career of 40 years with General Equities, Inc. in Berlin, CT. John served as Executive Vice President and handled details related to building and managing convenience stores and gas stations for the

company in CT, FL, MA, NY, NJ, and PA. John retired from his dedicated career in December 2008. Shortly after his retirement, he and Laraine moved to Weeki Wachee, FL. John was always there to lend a helping hand or ear and offer a suggestion or resolution to whomever called on him for counsel. He cared deeply for family and enjoyed family gatherings. He enjoyed home-cooked family meals. He was a spectator of all sports that his children and grandchildren enjoyed playing. John loved taking his wife on cruises and traveling in his RV. Visiting Fort Wilderness and Disney became an annual trip that he enjoyed for many years. John picked up his need – and skills – in fixing and improving upon household items and making household repairs from his father John. His generosity of spirit shined when meeting new acquaintances and keeping up with friends and extended family. John's kind and radiant smile could light up any room and make people feel at ease in an instant. He was truly the heart and strength of his family.

Calling hours are Tuesday (October 17, 2023) 9 to 10 AM at Carlson Funeral Home, 45 Franklin Square, New Britain. Followed by A Mass of Christian Burial 10:30 AM at St. Joseph Church, 195 South Main Street, New Britain. Entombment will follow at the St. Mary's Cemetery Mausoleum in New Britain. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to John D. Masserio Scholarship Fund, c/o Karleen Masserio Giarratana, 30 Wakefield Lane, Farmington, CT 06032. Carlson Funeral Home, New Britain is assisting with arrangements. Please share a memory or note of sympathy at www.carlsonfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

St. Mary Cemetery

1141 Stanley Street
New Britain, CT 06053

Previous Events

Calling Hours

OCT 17. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Carlson Funeral Home
45 Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051
(860) 225-6361
carlsonfh@aol.com
<https://www.carlsonfuneralhome.com/>

Mass of Christian Burial

OCT 17. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Joseph Church of the Divine Providence Parish
195 South Main Street
New Britain, CT 06051

Tribute Wall

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“ We are both so very sorry to hear of John's passing. unfortunately we just heard two days late to attend the funeral. Before he moved to Florida he would stop by to see us and we always enjoyed his company. We still have the flower basket he and Laraine gave us for the fireplace hearth in our office. I thought of him often and am so very sorry to know I will not get to see him again in this life. he is missed!

Gordon - October 21, 2023 at 08:01 PM

KG

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Karleen Giarratana - October 15, 2023 at 08:34 PM

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Karleen Giarratana - October 15, 2023 at 07:56 PM

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Karleen Giarratana - October 15, 2023 at 07:49 PM

JJ

“ 3 files added to the album Family



John Masserio Jr. - October 12, 2023 at 05:53 PM

JM

“ Taken from Us too soon...



John Masserio - October 12, 2023 at 05:41 PM

MB

“ Mariola Blaszczyk lit a candle in memory of John D. Masserio



Mariola Blaszczyk - October 12, 2023 at 12:52 PM

LH

“ *Laura Harrison lit a candle in memory of John D. Masserio*



Laura Harrison - October 12, 2023 at 09:57 AM

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“ *There is a destiny that makes us brothers, none goes his way alone! All that we send into the lives of others, comes back into our own! John was a powerful influence in my life and gave me the opportunity to be employed to Food Bag! Rest In Peace my friend, you have earned it!*

Thomas Mason - October 11, 2023 at 07:24 PM