



## Mr. Guido S. Petrella

November 1, 1938 - May 23, 2014

Guido S. Petrella, 75, left us on Friday, May 23, 2014 but his memories are kept with his wife Cynthia, sons, Anthony (Barbara), Michael (Jeanne), and Christofer (Patricia) Petrella, and daughter Barbara (John) Martinichio. Grandchildren: Carmele, Nicholas, Catherine, Andrew, Gabriel, Jessica, Nathan Petrella, Samuel and Molly Martinichio. A brother, Joseph (Linda) and a sister, Judy (Joseph) LaRue and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Guido and Cy started life together in Cortland NY with very strong families that had settled there. Together they raised their family in Groton, NY. His life's journey took him from work at Smith Corona to going into business for himself in 1969. He operated food services and opened a restaurant "Guys Café" in the early 70's. Through each of these businesses Guido connected with the local community and made many lifelong friends. As time went on they opened other popular businesses that allowed them to connect further with the community such as the "Village Video Shoppe" and the "Countryside Stove Shoppe". He was a former member of St. Anthony's Church, Groton and a Member of St. Mary's Church, Cortland, NY. That quick wit and salty character made him fun to talk to or visit with.

We will sorely miss Guido, our faithful husband, strong Dad, loving brother, and wonderful friend who loved to hunt, tinker with tractors in the barn, and share his knowledge any time you asked. He is the glue that will always keep our big family and friends together.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 1 PM Wednesday, May 28th at St. Mary's Church 46 N. Main St Cortland, NY with Rev. Joseph Zareski officiating. Burial will be in St. Anthony's Cemetery, Groton, NY.

Friends may call Tuesday from 4 to 7 PM at the Riccardi Funeral Home, Inc. 69 N. Main St. Cortland.

Those wishing may make memorial contributions to Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital Foundation, 169 Riverside Dr. Binghamton, NY 13905 in Guido Petrella's memory.

# Comments

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“ Friends like Guido don't come around very often in one's life time. He was always there to offer help if anyone needed it. I will always be forever grateful to him and Cy for helping Barb and me 4 years ago when I had a severe stroke at our lunch gathering in Cortland. He and Cy took our car up to the lake while Barb rode with me in the ambulance. to upstate medical in Syracuse. Because of their quick action and the doctors,. I made a complete recovery. That is just one instance of the kind of person Guido was. He will be sorely missed by everyone who's lives he touched. Our love and condolences to Guido's entire family. Sincerely, Sonny and Barb Hubbard

**Sonny Hubbard** - May 18, 2018 at 11:12 AM

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“ Dear Cynthia and Petrella Family,  
Guido and I worked together from our earliest days at Smith Corona Groton. We kept in loose touch over the years as life took us in different directions but I always regarded him as a friend.  
In recent years, I bought a Chris Craft from him that he had restored and we had many conversations, both here in New Hampshire and over the phone about the boat.  
Just today, at lunch with friends who had admired the boat, I recounted some stories about our days at Smith Corona.  
I offer my sincere condolences, as does my wife Sue, at this difficult time.  
I pray that he rests in peace.

**Ken Jones** - May 18, 2018 at 11:12 AM

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“ My mother, Linda Frady, just let me know of Guido's passing. As a classmate and friend of Chris' I spent time at the Petrella home throughout my high school years and have many great memories. Guido was a great guy with a great sense of humor. I am so sorry for your loss.

**Dean Frady** - May 18, 2018 at 11:12 AM

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“ I have very fond memories of Guido throughout the years. I was very sad to hear of his passing. My thoughts go out to the entire family! He will be missed.

**Lisa Tvaroha MacLeod** - May 18, 2018 at 11:12 AM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers to the Petrella family. May you draw strength from the memories you all shared and may you always keep them close to your hearts. Dan and Shari (Kirk) Halladay

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“ Prayers to the Petrella family. I won't forget all the memories at the Café we sure had some fun times. He will be missed by many. RIP Guido!

**Cindee Rotunda** - May 18, 2018 at 11:12 AM

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“ We are so very sorry that Guido has passed. We have such fond memories of him and everyone.. around the pond, hanging by the garage, etc. He will be missed.

**Steve and Betsy Shutts** - May 18, 2018 at 11:12 AM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Petrella family. Guido was a great mentor when I purchased the stove shop

**Mel & Lisa Dean** - May 18, 2018 at 11:12 AM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Petrella family. I have wonderful memories of y'all when my friend and I would go everyday after school to get videos. Guido was such a wonderful man. He will be missed

**Brenda Livesay(Weeks)** - May 18, 2018 at 11:12 AM

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“ Cynthia, Mike, Jeanne & all, Our thoughts and prayers are with you. We'll so miss Guido's giving us a "hard time" and questioning our cooking methods at our monthly dinners at the Community church. God Bless

**Theresa & Ron Moore** - May 18, 2018 at 11:12 AM