



Mr. John A. Caratelli

August 20, 1938 - March 13, 2014

John Anthony Caratelli, born August 20, 1938 and died on March 13, 2014. John was the son of Anthony and Caroline Tucci Caratelli.

John is survived by his sisters, Josephine, Anne and Philomena, his children, AnneRose Caratelli, Joanne Caratelli (Nevil) Riker; his grandsons, Jordan and Caleb Riker and one great granddaughter, Crimson Nevaeh the "light of his life". and many cousins. John was a printer by trade and had learned the trade as he worked with his Dad who had owned a print shop. He also worked on the thruway in the food service department. As John grew older and wiser he decided to go to college and graduated from Finger Lakes Community College with an Associates Degree in Sociology. John was interested in community service and served as a volunteer in the Fire and Emergency Department of his local fire department. He enjoyed being with people, talking, sharing laughter and listening to others stories.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, parents, his sister, Carol and his grandson, Jacob.

John's family would like to thank State Trooper, Jeff Watowski, the Finger Lakes visiting nurses, Tina and Donna and Kim of Dr. Piotroslei's office and all of his caring friends for all of their kindness.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Monday at 10 a.m. at St.

Anthony of Padua Roman Catholic Church with Rev. Joseph Zareski serving as celebrant. Burial in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery will be private. The Caratelli family will be present to receive friends on Sunday from 4-7 p.m. In St. Anthony's Church, Pomeroy St, Cortland. Contributions in John's memory may be sent to a charity of ones choice. Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family by visiting www.riccardifuneralhome.com
Arrangements are under the direction of Riccardi Funeral Home 69 N. Main St., Cortland, N.Y.

Tribute Wall

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“ John was a dear friend and a special help in my recovery program. We talked several times a week for the last couple of years and his wisdom, strength and hope guided me in my program. I'll treasure a recording of his speech at the recent Nashville convention and the memory of his friendship. He was a wonderful inspiration.

Dick Rooney - May 18, 2018 at 11:14 AM

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“ When I first met John about 15 years ago, I found him interesting to talk to, but probably really befriended him because I thought he needed me. Soon enough, I came to realize that I needed him as much as he needed me. As exasperated as we could get with each other at times, we never lost respect or friendship for each other. I don't think I have ever known a man with less ego; John was always completely open and honest. He didn't complain about his lot in life, but accepted full responsibility. I shall always admire him for that. Rest in peace, John, and God bless you and your family. You all remain in our thoughts and prayers.

Dick and Helen Moore - May 18, 2018 at 11:14 AM

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“ I much enjoyed the company of John when he would come to our family functions/celebrations. He was truly a wonderful friend to my father and our family. He will be missed dearly. I pray that our Lord brings you and your family the much needed comfort and peace during this sad time. My condolences to you and your family.

Tammy Eaton - May 18, 2018 at 11:14 AM