



## Mr. Raymond C. DiIorio

October 19, 1955 - November 22, 2018

Raymond was born on October 19th, 1955 in Cortland Memorial Hospital. Growing up Raymond enjoyed a variety of activities including sports, mostly football and wrestling, weight training, and motorcycle riding. He attended Cortland Junior-Senior High School until grade 11 when he chose to finish his high school education in Ithaca, New York attending the Cascadilla Private High School. Upon graduation he joined the U.S. Army and during Basic Training, Raymond pursued his interest in Electronics and he was trained in Electronic Missile Control and Repair. He was stationed in Huntsville, Alabama where he programmed and repaired electronic weaponry.

Upon his discharge from the Army, Raymond moved to Phoenix, Arizona and attended Arizona State University majoring in Electrical Engineering. While in Phoenix he became interested in the new and growing technology of electronic stereo equipment. He used his training and experience to become a master in the electronic stereo and hi-fi entertainment field.

Enjoying a successful career in Arizona, Ray moved to the Florida to be close to his parents who had purchased a summer home in the Tampa area. He opened an automobile stereo studio and shop where he specialized in the sale, installation and repair of high-end audio equipment. He installed audio equipment in automobiles for some of the areas most elite clients, including many professional athletes and film stars. While in Florida he had a shift in

careers from auto audio to residential and worked as Project Manager for DC Rossmand Electrical Engineering and Construction. He decided to branch off on his own and established the company, Longboat Electrical Inc. specializing in commercial electrical design and fabrication. Ray worked on some high-end electrical installations for shopping malls and commercial building projects. His residential and commercial electrical career was going very well and he decided to move back to New York State and relocated in the Ithaca area. He worked on a number of high-end projects including an addition to the Pyramid Shopping Mall and other projects for the Pyramid Company. It was during these projects while a member of the IBEW Local 241 they saw a great potential in Raymond and promoted him to their lead electrician. He had the opportunity to work on a major project in Bilbao, Spain where he supervised the installation of medium voltage and control systems. He had worked on several large-scale mall projects, but then decided to downsize and moved back to the Cortland area and established his own freelance electrical business, Upstate Electrical Contractors, located in Homer, N.Y. He worked on many residential projects before his retirement in 2013.

Retirement enabled him to relocate to his Uncle Dom's sign shop on South Main Street. Ray involved himself in an array of different projects utilizing his skills along with the tools and equipment in his uncle's shop. He did extensive work for Cortland Line Manufacturing involving automation upgrades, building and machine repairs. He and his loyal dog Chester enjoyed a simple life in his South Main Street residence until his recent passing.

Raymond is survived by his mother and father; Elvira and Americo Dilorio, his brother and sister-in-law; James and Tina Dilorio, many cousins, aunts, uncles and friends.

The family will be present to receive friends on Wednesday from 4-6 p.m. in the Chapel of Riccardi Funeral Home 69 N. Main St. Cortland, N.Y. Prayer services will be held at 6 p.m. in the funeral chapel at the conclusion of the

visitation.

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# Cemetery Details

## **St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery**

4101 West Rd  
Cortland, NY 13045

# Tribute Wall

JH

“ Jim,  
Please accept my sincere sympathy. I'm sorry for the loss of your  
brother, Ray.  
Coach

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**Jim Howard** - December 01, 2018 at 08:40 AM

LT

“ I'm sorry for your loss. Raymond was always kind to me. May he  
Rest In Peace.

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**Layla Trombley** - November 29, 2018 at 12:47 PM

SB

“ So very sorry! Condolences to the families of Ray. He will be  
missed.

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**Sandra Brown** - November 28, 2018 at 06:57 AM

RP

“ Very sorry to hear about the passing of Ray !!  
  
God bless Ray and his family !!

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**Rick Partigianoni** - November 27, 2018 at 12:26 PM



“ Sending courage, strength, and prayers to the Dilorio family!! So  
sorry for your loss. So many fond memories and fun times with this  
wonderful man. May he rest in peace.

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**Kimberly Neal** - November 27, 2018 at 10:40 AM

AP

“ *My prayers are with the Dilorio family - we have been friends for many years. Such wonderful memories. Sorry for your loss. Angie Partigianoni*

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**angie partigianoni** - November 26, 2018 at 08:17 PM