



Nicholas Cerenzio

December 6, 1929 - September 6, 2023

Nicholas “Nick” Cerenzio, 93, of Old Bridge, New Jersey passed away peacefully on Wednesday, September 6, 2023.

Nick was born on Friday, December 6, 1929 in Brooklyn, New York, to the late Enrico and Giovannina Cerenzio. Nick was raised in Brooklyn's Boro Park neighborhood. After high school he enlisted in the United States Army where he would serve his country honorably during the Korean War. After earning an Honorable Discharge Nick would return to that same Brooklyn neighborhood where he grew up. It was there one night playing Bingo he would meet the love of his life, Geraldine “Gerry” Cecere. The couple would eventually marry and start a family in Boro Park before moving to Dyker Heights and eventually settling in Bensonhurst. It was in Bensonhurst they would raise their two daughters, Diane and Marilyn.

Nick worked in sales for many years ultimately retiring from Kirsch Drapery Hardware. Nick and Gerry moved to Old Bridge, New Jersey 21 years ago. In his spare time Nick enjoyed fishing, completing puzzles, playing cards and of course going to Bingo with the love of his life, Gerry.

Lovingly known as “Poppy” to his grandchildren, Nick passed on countless life lessons; mostly including knowledge about how to fix things or the correct steps on how to tackle a puzzle. He was known to all as “Mr. Fix It” around the house; always tinkering trying to fix things, whether it needed it or not. But that’s what everyone loved most about him.

Nick was predeceased by his parents, Enrico and Giovannina Cerenzio; his brothers Peter and Hank Cerenzio; his sisters Vera Tarantino and Catherine Giudice.

Nick was a loving and caring man who adored being with his family and will be deeply missed by all those that love him. He is survived by his beloved wife of 67 years, Gerry; his loving daughters, Diane Monti and husband Gaetano and Marilyn Cerenzio; his brother Augusto Cerenzio and wife Barbara; his grandchildren, Alyssa Nicole Cooper and husband James and Deanna Rose Monti; his great “fur” granddaughter Honey and by many loving nieces and nephews. A memorial mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, September 27th at 10:30am at Saint Ambrose Church, 83 Throckmorton Lane, Old Bridge, NJ. A final salute ceremony and interment of ashes at Brigadier General William C. Doyle Veterans Cemetery will take place at a later date.

The family requests those who wish to express sympathy to consider making a donation to The Wounded Warrior Project at <https://support.woundedwarriorproject.org/> in Nick’s honor.

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

SEP **27**. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Ambrose Church
81 Throckmorton Ln
Old Bridge, NJ 08857

Tribute Wall



“ *Nicholas Cerenzio*

October 05, 2023 at 11:16 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nicholas Cerenzio.*



September 24, 2023 at 11:03 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Brothers with Family*



Don - September 10, 2023 at 10:12 AM

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“ 5 files added to the album *Brothers with Family*



Ron Cerenzio - September 09, 2023 at 03:49 PM

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Dear Godfather, I cherish our memories together and always being there for me.

You will always be in my thoughts and prayers.

Don Cerenzio

Don - September 10, 2023 at 07:58 AM

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“ Words cannot express the profound sadness and sorrow over the loss of my beloved Uncle and Godfather. His enormous and generous heart were only exceeded by his beautiful and joyful spirit. He was loved and adored not only by his family but by all who came to know him. I pray his family will find solace in the lifetime legacy of Love and Joyful memories that he has gifted to all us throughout his life. We are all blessed to have known and loved him and he will be missed more than words can express. May he rest in peace now surrounded by the loving light and spirit of his parents and siblings who were called home before him. God Bless you my dear Uncle! You will always be in my heart!



Ron Cerenzio - September 09, 2023 at 02:18 PM