



# John Aragona Jr.

DEC 19, 1942 - JUN 28, 2011



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## **John Aragona Jr.**

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**J**ohn Aragona, Jr., 68, of Clay, passed away on Tuesday at St. Joseph's Hospital. He was born in Syracuse and served with the US Navy. John was employed with General Motors for 30 years, retiring in 1993 and was a member of the UAW 624. He was also a member of the American Legion Post 787 and was a Deputy Sheriff with Onondaga County for many years. He was predeceased by his wife, Helen (Close) Aragona in 1993, son, Louis Aragona and brother, Louis Aragona. John is survived by 3 sons, John (Tammy) Aragona of West Monroe, Rick (Melanie) Aragona of Elizaville, NY and Michael Aragona of Clay; his daughter, Tina M. Turtura of Mexico, NY; 6 granddaughters, 4 grandsons, 3 sisters, Wanda Oakleaf of Florida, Carmella Farsaci of North Carolina and Annie Putman of Syracuse; 2 brothers, Joe Aragona of Oklahoma and Herbie Aragona of Florida. Funeral services will be conducted on Saturday at 11:00 AM in the THOMAS J. PIRRO JR. FUNERAL HOME, 3401 Vickery Rd. (corner of Buckley Rd.) North Syracuse, NY. Burial will follow in Assumption Cemetery. Family and friends may call at the funeral home on Friday from 4 to 7 PM.



# Events

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## Visitation

- Friday, July 1, 2011**
- 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET
- Thomas J. Pirro Jr. Funeral Home**  
3401 Vickery Rd, Syracuse NY 13212



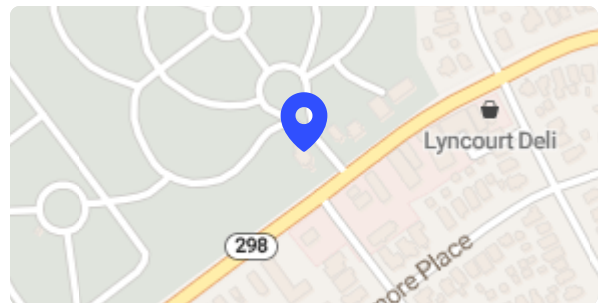
## Service

- Saturday, July 2, 2011**
- 11:00 AM ET
- Thomas J. Pirro Jr. Funeral Home**  
3401 Vickery Rd, Syracuse NY 13212



## Cemetery Details

- Assumption Cemetery**  
2401 Court Street, Syracuse NY 13208
- 454-3841**





## Tribute Wall

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JB

**Jessica Leean Brown** posted:

I'm going to [MISS] you tons uncle Johnny:Althrough you use to ALWAYS make me mad,for saying,"Do this,Do that,DONT just sit there,Wake its 9 am." I'm really going to miss you calling me "Cockroach." You gave me that name when I was a little girl.I really do miss you & love you a million plus a million more:Your in a better place & your not in pain:You left us with loved ones by your side:I just know that you are watching down on me & you are going to have alot of people missing you:-  
Jessica Brown,Tampa,FL,33617

July 7 at 2:53 PM

CC

**Cindy O'connor** posted:

I will miss Saturday card night and him only wanting one cold beer. His grilled eggplant. Calling me names when i don't give him good cards. And calling us girls names when we win at cards.

July 7 at 6:18 AM

MA

**Melanie Aragona** shared an album called **Family Portraits.**



July 7 at 5:23 AM

WT

**William Townsend** lit a candle in honor of John.



July 5 at 5:14 PM

SB

**Stephen Benjamin** lit a candle in honor of John.



July 5 at 9:07 AM



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**Stephen Benjamin** posted:

Mike, Ricky & Tina, So sorry to hear of your loss of your dad. I'll always cherish him as the best neighbor I've ever had. May your special memories help you during this difficult time. I'm sorry i couldn't attend the services, but know my deepest sympathy is for all of you. Stephen, Karen, Eric & Ryan

July 5 at 9:05 AM



**Cindy Sinisgalli/Shoultes** lit a candle in honor of John.



July 1 at 4:28 AM

**CS** **Cindy Sinisgalli/Shoultes** July 1 at 4:32 AM  
CINDY'S SHIP&SHORE RESTURANT INC.



**Sue McIntyre** posted:

So sorry to hear about the loss of your father in law Tammy. My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. Sue McIntyre/Mattydale

June 30 at 2:52 PM



**Mattydale Fire Department, Mattydale, Ny** lit a candle in honor of John.

The Officers and Membersof the Mattydale Fire Departmentjoin in extendingHeartfelt Sympathyto you and your family at thisTime of Sorrow..

June 30 at 11:05 AM



**Barbara Theisen** lit a candle in honor of John.



June 30 at 10:59 AM

**BT** **Barbara Theisen** June 30 at 11:01 AM  
Mike and family very sorry to hear about your dad. Thoughts and prayers to you all--God Bless



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**Michele Lipchak** lit a candle in honor of John.



June 30 at 10:39 AM



**Michele Lipchak** June 30 at 10:44 AM

Dear John Boy, We will always be best friends im going to miss u xoxoLipchak (Tina Lipchak)



**Dottie Majerus** lit a candle in honor of John.



to a great friend & all the great times at the american legion you will be missed miss very much, god bless your family dottie majerus

June 30 at 9:45 AM



**Dave Close** posted:

The Uncle that I used to be afraid when I was a child, and learned he wasn't scaring me but teaching me. Never forget the day when Grandma Close died..he saw me greiving and put his hand on my should and whispered in my ear..."Your grandmother may be gone but remember one thing...there is not one person alive that can take your grandmothers memories away from you." Thank you Uncle John..Until we meet again.....RIP

June 30 at 6:52 AM



**James Harvey Spire American Legion 787** lit a candle in honor of John.



June 30 at 6:08 AM



**James Harvey Spire American Legion 787** June 30 at 6:09 AM

God Bless your family, you will be missed by all.



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**Cynthia Sinisgalli/Shoultes** lit a candle in honor of John.



June 30 at 5:40 AM



**Cynthia Sinisgalli/Shoultes** June 30 at 5:44 AM

TO MY DEAREST FRIEND I WILL MISS YOU. LOVE ALL THE GREAT TIMES WE HAD YOU WERE TRULY ONE OF THE BEST.GOD BLESS TO YOUR FAMILY.



**Kristen Aragona** posted:

" Grandpa, Words cant explain how much I Love and Miss you so much. Just have to get day by day with I the good times we shared and be there for the family at this time Love Always, Kristen Florence Aragona(Chunk)

June 30 at 4:11 AM



**Rosemarie Close** lit a candle in honor of John.

I used to call John a "tower of strength". As the years went by,he would reply "the tower is resting".I also remember all the fun we had playing cards with Helenand her brothers ... a lot of laughter & frustration at losing(and, of course, the many snacks we had). I really miss thosedays.John, Mike, Rick & Tina ... God bless all of you.Love, Aunt Chick



June 30 at 2:45 AM



**Steve And Kelly Close** lit a candle in honor of John.

Uncle John was one of our childrens' favorite Uncles....They always remember him during the water balloon fights at the Close Family Reunions...Johnny, Tina, Rick and Mike--we are so sorry for his passing and we are here if you need anything...All our love, Kelly and Steve Close



June 30 at 2:34 AM



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KC

**Karen Castellani** posted:

I first met John when he was commander at the Cicero American Legion. He was also a good friend of my father. He will be deeply missed. God Bless You John. My prayers go out to the family. Karen Castellani

June 30 at 2:02 AM

SW

**Sharron M Wood** posted:

One of my fondest memories of John is when he made all the meatballs and sauce for Missy and Mikes wedding. I had no idea how many he was going to make, so when I picked them up I went into shock....There was kettles and kettles of sauce and meatballs. He sure didn't want anyone to go hungry. My thoughts and prayers are with the Aragona family.Sharron Wood

June 29 at 4:49 PM

MW

**Melissa Wood** lit a candle in honor of John.

I had the pleasure to know John for several years. He welcomed me into his home before Mike and I were married and was a great father in law and grandfather to our daughter Katelyn. My fondest memories are seeing him every morning sitting at " his chair" at the table drinking his coffee and scratching off his lotto tickets. He was also a great cook, even winning the best spaghetti sauce and winning a trip to Italy because of it. He babysat Katelyn since she was a baby and they had a close bond, she loved her grandpa. He loved his kids and grandkids deeply. He will always have a special place in my heart. I hope you are at peace and with Helen. My condolences to Mike, Katelyn, Kelly and Alivia. You were able to be there for him and I know he was grateful for the time he had with you all in your home. My condolences to John, Ricky and Tina and their families. He will be missed by all. Let me know if I can help with anything. Thoughts and Prayers, Melissa Wood

June 29 at 4:16 PM



MH

**Melissa Butler Haynes** June 30 at 12:48 PM

you truly will be miss , our prays are with the family so deeply sorry for your loss.Tracy and Melissa Haynes



## Media

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Melanie Aragona shared a photo to the **Family Portraits** album.

July 7 at 5:23 AM



Dad & Rick Easter 2011



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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