



Joseph A. "Jitterbug" Principato

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Joseph A. "Jitterbug" Principato, 92, of Liverpool, NY went home to our Lord on December 10th with his family by his side. He was born in Syracuse, NY on August 16th, 1928, was a graduate of North High School, and served in the U.S. Army. Jitterbug owned and operated Peter & Sons Dry Cleaners and Tailors for over 60 years with his family members. Joe lived a long life full of love, life, and happiness. He was a founding member of the Italian American Athletic Club, and a parishioner of Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. He enjoyed playing his unlucky daily numbers and was an avid Yankee fan. Jitterbug especially loved spending time with his family and friends. He looked forward to his lunch meetings at Santangelo's and Nick & Angelo's with the best friends a guy could ask for.

He was predeceased by his parents Peter and Sarah (D'Agata) Principato and his brother Dominick.

He is survived by his loving, patient wife Catherine (Malara) Principato of 59 wonderful years; children, Sara (Tom) Sangster of North Syracuse, JoAnn (John) Meyers of Liverpool, Peter Principato of Liverpool, Lisa (Rob) Burbank of Newtown, Connecticut; his adoring grandchildren, David (Amy) Earl, Jeffery and Gina Meyers, Kyle, Eric, and Alex Burbank; his brother, Frank (Terry) Principato; many loving nieces and nephews, cousins, and friends all of whom will miss him dearly.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Wednesday, December 16, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. in Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 425 Beechwood Ave. Liverpool, NY 13088. Entombment will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery Mausoleum. Family and friends may call on Tuesday, December 15, 2020 from 4 to 6 p.m. at the THOMAS J. PIRRO JR. FUNERAL HOME, 3401 Vickery Road (corner of Buckley Road) North Syracuse, NY.

The family would like to thank the staff at Liverpool dialysis, Denise White, and Cathy Cunningham for taking such wonderful care of Joe. In lieu of flowers,



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donations can be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital or Immaculate Heart of Mary Church.



Events


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Visitation

 **Tuesday**, December 15, 2020


 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM ET


 **Thomas J. Pirro Jr. Funeral Home**
3401 Vickery Rd, Syracuse NY 13212



Mass of Christian Burial

 **Wednesday**, December 16, 2020

 10:30 AM ET

 **Epiphany Parish - Immaculate Heart of Mary Church**
425 Beechwood Avenue, Liverpool NY 13088





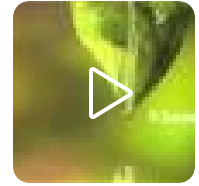
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Thomas J. Pirro Jr. Funeral Home shared a **Tribute Video**.



December 15 at 5:10 AM



Daniel Bartell posted:

A fond farewell to a beautiful man. I recall sharing many laughs with Jitters and Minny growing up on the north side. my heartfelt sympathy to his family. God bless you always Joe.

December 19 at 8:35 AM



Kevin & Robin Reynolds posted:

To the Principato family. Kevin and I were vey saddened to hear of Mr. Principato's passing. We want you all to know that you are in our thoughts and prayers during this time. Kevin & Robin Reynolds

December 17 at 5:44 AM



Ashley posted:

Joe was always one with such a bright personality. He always gave me a smile or a laugh whenever he talked about the Yankees or his favorite red wine. He was a gentle soul and will now be at peace.

December 15 at 11:03 AM



Ed Earl posted:

Jitter bug Joe you always made me smile and laugh you will be dearly missed love and prayers sent to the entire family. RIP jitter bug. Ed Earl and Family

December 15 at 4:51 AM



Anonymous sent a Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant to the Principato family.



December 14 at 4:02 PM



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Nick Pirro posted:

Catherine and family, sorry to hear of the passing of an iconic Northside man. Jitters was always fun to be with and he kept visitors to the dry cleaners amused with stories and for me a lot of questions. He will be missed by all of us. Nick Pirro

December 14 at 5:30 AM



Nickyd posted:

Thank you jitterbug Joe for your laugh and your fun and Peter's and sons cleaners the greatest comedy show of all your brothers and your family were wonderful

December 13 at 5:04 PM



Mick Kozikowski posted:

I met Mr. Principato around the time of Lisa and Rob's wedding years ago and met him in his element, holding court at the Principato Liverpool home. I could see he was a joy to be around and well loved by his family. As I've felt since losing my own Father, it is easy to see that Mr. Principato was a man of good influence and so will live on through his family. and others who loved him. God bless you, may He keep you safe.

December 13 at 2:09 PM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Principato family.



December 13 at 12:56 PM



Joseph Guinto lit a candle in honor of Joseph.

Joe was the greatest friend anyone can ask for my Dad loved him my deepest condolences to you all Love Joe Guinto



December 13 at 11:03 AM



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Patty Nappi sent a virtual gift in honor of Joseph.

So very Sorry for your great loss he was one of the great ones on the north side and a good friend of my mom Kate Nappi, Rest In Peace God Speed direct to Heaven from Patricia A Nappi and family 🙏🌹

December 13 at 8:18 AM



Anonymous sent a Care and Compassion Spray to the Principato family.

December 13 at 7:45 AM



Mechele Wright & Family posted:

Many condolences to the family. I truly loved his humor, what a great guy!!! Love to the family always.

December 13 at 6:25 AM



Anonymous sent a Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant to the Principato family.

December 13 at 5:17 AM





Media

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A Journey of Life

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Memories only last if you share them

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



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