



James A. "Jim" Albanese

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James A. "Jim" Albanese, of Jamesville, NY passed away peacefully on Christmas Day, surrounded by his loving family. He left this world on his favorite day of the year, a day that he cherished for its joy and spirituality. Jim was 77 years old.

Jim began a 39-year career with Onondaga County in data processing, eventually earning appointment by Nick Pirro as County Administrator for Physical Services. Jim's dedication to public service led him to coordinate the "get out the vote" campaign and to serve on numerous committees. He was a board member of the Columbus Monument Corporation and President of the Lincoln Republican Club. His passion for the Arts also earned him seats on the boards of the Landmark Theater and Encore Youth Productions. Jim embraced a life of service, working with numerous charitable organizations, including Golisano Children's Hospital, The Carmen A. Campolo Memorial Fund, and the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Surrounded by love, Jim leaves behind a legacy of kindness, devotion, and unwavering strength. He was a devoted husband to his wife, Angela (Discenza) of 55 years and a proud father to Frank (Julie), AJ (Mary) and Jimmy (Alisa). He was a cherished Papa to his seven grandchildren: Angelo, Rocco, Anthony, Lia, Olivia, Michael, and Lucy. He was a beloved brother to MaryAnn (Bing), brother-in-law to Dan (John), and Kim Discenza and a dear friend to many, leaving a profound impact on all who knew him. His tight-knit crew of friends, who, from an early age, forged a lasting tradition of fishing and golfing, created memories of a lifetime.

Jim is predeceased by his parents, Frank and Virginia (Mignacca) Albanese, as well as his beloved brother-in-law, Frank Discenza. Jim's family extends heartfelt appreciation to St. Joseph's Hospital, Fresenius Medical Care, and Nascentia Health for their exceptional professionalism, kindness, and comfort provided. Above all, Jim's sons wish to recognize their mother, Angela, whose selfless dedication and tireless care were not only his most significant source of strength but his guiding light through every challenge.



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Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, December 30, 2025, at 10:30 A.M. at the funeral home followed by a Mass of Christian burial at 11:30 A.M. in Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter's Church, 301 Ash Street Syracuse, NY. Entombment will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery Mausoleum. Visitation will take place from 4:00 - 7:00 P.M. on Monday, December 29, 2025, at the THOMAS J. PIRRO JR. FUNERAL HOME, 3401 Vickery Rd. (corner of Buckley Rd.), North Syracuse.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in Jim's memory may be made to Our Lady of Pompei/ St. Peter's Church or Upstate Golisano Children's Hospital.

[Click here to watch the Funeral Mass](#)



Events

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Visitation

Monday, December 29, 2025

4:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET

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

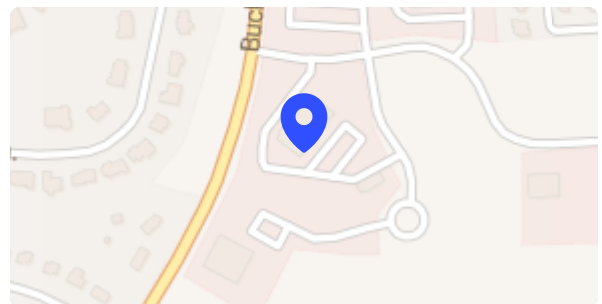


Funeral Service

Tuesday, December 30, 2025

10:30 AM ET

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3401 Vickery Rd, Syracuse NY 13212

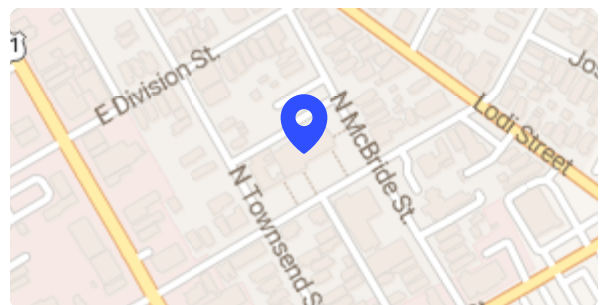


Funeral Mass

Tuesday, December 30, 2025

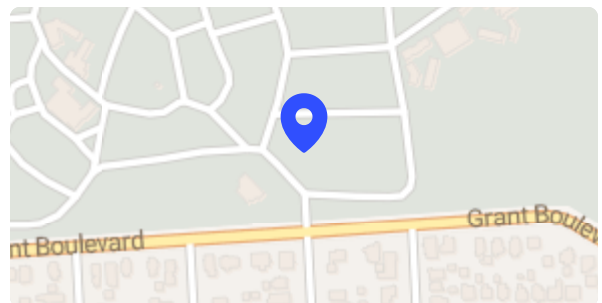
11:30 AM ET

Our Lady of Pompei - St. Peter Church
301 Ash St., Syracuse NY 13208



Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Cemetery & Mausoleum
800 Grant Boulevard, Woodlawn Cemetery &
Mausoleum NY 13203





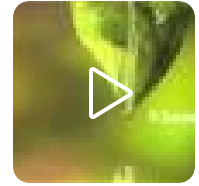
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Thomas J. Pirro Jr. Funeral Home shared a **Tribute Video**.



December 29 at 11:19 AM



John N Paulette Fortino posted:

Angela and family John and want to just say how much Jim meant to us. Not only did they go to school together but we were neighbors and our kids became neighbors. Jim was rite there when John went overseas to the Persian Gulf war. he would call me to be sure I was ok with my five kids. He made labels for me to mail pkgs and mail to John. He came to the air base the day we waited for the plane on John's return. Lots of good memories. Some weddings baby showers. Just great friends. Jim will be missedn

December 30 at 6:52 PM



Artemis Gilbert posted:

Angela, Covid is keeping me from attending calling hours to extend my condolences on Jim's passing. I will never forget the newly married, handsome couple who moved in across the street from us on Greenhedge Dr. even if it was only for a short time. You were so sweet and Jim was so nice. May his memory be eternal. Artemis (Artie) Gilbert

December 30 at 1:30 PM



Kat Bear posted:

Very sorry to hear of your loss. Mr.A always brought me our favorite doughnut from lyncourt bachery. Prays to the Whole FamilyKathy Burns

December 29 at 6:26 PM



Marietta Blasi posted:

Angela & familyMy sincere and heartfelt sympathy to you at this most difficult time. My prayers are with you.Marietta BlasiJacksonville FL

December 29 at 2:24 PM



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Martha Blakeman posted:

Angela, We are sadden to hear of Jim's passing. Please know that you and the boys are in our thoughts and prayers. always cherish the memories. May God watch over you during this difficult time. Martha and Ron Blakeman.

December 29 at 1:35 PM



Tony P lit a candle in honor of James.

My conolences to the Albanese family. Jim was a stalwart, dependable and available. He will be missed.

December 29 at 12:15 PM



Antoinette Pallotta lit a candle in honor of James.

To Angela and family Jimmy was a wonderful Guy he was always so kind to me and so many he will be miss deeply. May God bless Jimmy and you all and keep having the strength to be able to go on love Antoinette.

December 29 at 7:38 AM



David Marnell shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

A fond memory of Jim at David Jr. & Erin Marnell's wedding at the Persian Terrace at the Hotel Syracuse in 2021.

December 28 at 7:58 PM



Ro Bartolo posted:

Dear Angela and family,I was so saddened to hear about the passing of Jimmy.He definitely left a mark on so many. Losing someone so dear,especially at this time,is unimaginable. May you find strength in the love and memories you shared.Ro (Sabatino) Bartolo

December 28 at 1:16 PM



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TF

Tony Fallico lit a candle in honor of James.

Angela and family, We are so sorry to learn of Jim's passing on Christmas. He was a great guy as many will certainly attest. Memories take me back to the Labor Day Storm - working along with Nick and Kathy to set up an "emergency" human needs task force along with Jim on the physical needs of the county. He was a dedicated community servant to his community and his church. Though at the top of his list was always his family - and we are fortunate to have known Jim - with always a great smile and jovial greeting when we would see him. He will definitely be greeted by a host of relatives and friends in Heaven. May the comfort of those around you bring peace to you during this difficult transition. Our deepest condolences, Michael and Annette



December 28 at 12:35 PM

MC

Mac Cap posted:

Share a memory. What fun lol. Jim got his big job at the county he had a huge ring of keys that never left his side. But as determined as Jim was we were more determined. With the help of Nick Pirro we had Jim torn out for an emergency meeting. Lol. We were able to get Jim's keys and ran downstairs and have all of Jim's keys duplicated after the wedding they left on their honeymoon comfortable in the belief that they had their house secured and safe. Oh how they were wrong. When they left on their honeymoon the family and friends went to their house. We kinda rearranged things. We took out all the furniture and clothes and removed all the lightbulbs and replaced them with flash bulbs. We laid the refrigerator on its back and filled it with jello and stood it back up. We filled the tub with water and put fish in. In the master bedroom we only left the bed and wired an air raid siren to the bed. Seran wrapped the toilet and camped across the street waiting for the newlyweds to arrive. When they did the party started. Jim scooped his bride up and opened the door and then turned on the lights. But all they got were huge flashes of white lights. And Jim dropped Ange on the ground Welcome Home Next you could hear Angela cursing us for what we had done to her house. Angela went to the bathroom with only a 15 watt bulb over the sink. Unfortunately that wasn't bright enough to show the plastic over the toilet bowl. Let the fun begin. So we were at our 55th year party with Jim and Angela. And fun had never stopped. We all are missing Jim but we will never forget the memories we made together. May God bless you Jim Angela we will be here for you always Always Your family All of us

December 28 at 10:02 AM

MN

Marty Nave lit a candle in honor of James.

My deepest sympathies to the Albanese family. Jimmy was a pillar to our community including our Holy Name Society. May perpetual light shine upon his soul.



December 27 at 4:09 PM



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December 29 at 11:19 AM



Tony Fallico December 29 at 12:48 PM

What a beautiful tribute of Jim and Angela with their family! That smile will never fade in our memories.



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Memories only last if you share them

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



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