



## Rocco V. Tortorella

April 12, 1946 - September 23, 2023

Rocco “Rocky” Tortorella passed away on September 23, 2023 at Riverview Medical Center, Redbank. His battle with cancer for nearly 12 years showed his courage in facing life challenges with a smile. Despite the pain, Rocky was like a superhero who stayed strong and positive until the very end.

Rocky was born and raised in Bayonne NJ and moved to Monmouth county, most recently residing in Holmdel. An Army Veteran of Vietnam, Rocky worked in a shipyard before beginning his career as a school custodian for the Middletown School District where he was well loved by students and staff.

Rocky loved his family and enjoyed spending time, sharing meals and stories with them.

He was a lifelong baseball fan, rooting for the New York (San Francisco) Giants and the Mets. He loved to share memories of sporting events from his youth with his sons.

Rocky was preceded in death by his parents Frank and Eva M Tortorella, his sister, Marie Elena Hill and his son Richard Berardino (R.J.)

He is survived by his wife, Gloria Tortorella, a brother Charlie Tortorella, children, Anthony Tortorella and wife Maria, Christopher Tortorella, Annette Lozito and husband Larry, Lisa Berardino and Billy Hrevnak. Grandchildren, Courtney Carter and husband Ricky, Nicholas Tortorella, Hailey Tortorella, Larry Lozito and wife Caitlin, Nicholas Lozito and wife Christina, and 3 great grandsons Lucas, Gauge and Jaxson Carter.

Rocky will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Visitation will be from 3-7 PM on Thursday September 28th 2023.

Cremation will be private

In lieu of flowers please make a donation in Rocky's name to:

St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital

501 St. Jude Place • Memphis, TN 38105

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **28.** 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Laurel Funeral Home  
201 Laurel Avenue  
West Keansburg  
Hazlet, NJ 07734  
laurelfh@verizon.net

# Tribute Wall

PM

“ *Lisa & Annette, My condolences to you and your families for the loss of you father. God Bless... Pam from group*

**Pam Marchetti** - October 14, 2023 at 05:01 PM

MC

“ *Rocky was pure Italian but he never forgot my Irish family background and sent me a St. Patrick's Day card every year as far back as I remember being a teacher at Nut Swamp.*

**Maureen Campbell** - October 08, 2023 at 07:26 PM

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“ *We just heard today of Rocco's passing. He was a wonderful man and we will miss him.  
Dr Dean Gallagher and Chris*



**christine Taylor** - October 05, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rocco V. Tortorella.*



September 26, 2023 at 07:37 PM



“ He will be dearly missed 🥹💙💜



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**Marie Claire** - September 26, 2023 at 05:06 PM



“ 13 files added to the tribute wall



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**Lisa Berardino** - September 26, 2023 at 09:59 AM