



## **JAMES "SPIKE" LaMANNA**

May 25, 1934 - March 18, 2020

The LaManna family announces with great sadness that James "Spike" LaManna passed away March 18, 2020, peacefully with his family at his side. Born in Solvay to the late Anthony and F. Virginia (Renetta) LaManna, he graduated from Solvay High School in 1952. He served in the US Army B-Battery 3rd Missile 71st Artillery, and retired from Village of Solvay Electric Department. He was a member of VFW Post 2893, Solvay Tigers and honorary member of Solvay Fire Department.

Everyone knew Spike. With a smile and a story to share, he spread cheer wide and far, always on the go with family and friends at celebrations, card games, diners, casino tours, and, perhaps his favorite, gathering with extended family at camp. Spike was an excellent roller skater, light on his feet, the ladies all lined up for a dance with him.

Predeceased by his brothers Floyd and Richard, he is survived by his wife of 58 years, Barbara, of E. Syracuse; daughter, Catherine and son, James (Bridget Cowley), of Baldwinsville; brother, Anthony, and sister, Jean Simiele, both of Solvay; several nieces, nephews, cousins; and devoted friend Larry Pickard.

Faced with the current challenges of social gathering, we ask that any and all who are able please join a moment of expression of your own choosing at 5:00 PM EDT Sunday March 22, 2020, to pay your respects to Spike. A celebration of life will be planned as soon the situation allows.

We would like to thank the staff at St. Joe's MSICU for their warmth and

compassion.

Services and burial must be private. In lieu of flowers, please support the Angelman Syndrome Foundation, [www.angelman.org](http://www.angelman.org).

BAGOZZI TWINS FUNERAL HOME, Solvay, has care of arrangements.

Please share online memories and tributes at [www.bagozzitwins.com](http://www.bagozzitwins.com).

# Cemetery Details

## **GREENLAWN MEMORIAL PARK - PRIVATE INTERMENT**

2932 Warners Rd.  
Warners, NY 13164 (AF)

# Events

**Details are pending.**

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bagozzi Twins Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of JAMES "SPIKE" LaMANNA*



**BAGOZZI TWINS FUNERAL HOME, INC.** - March 20, 2020 at 03:17 PM

ML

*Beautiful done. I remember as a young girl I would go roller skating with Uncle Spike and Uncle Floyd. 2 years ago Greg and I were out to camp and Uncle Spike would come and see us. Sometimes he'd sit in the car and Greg would out to talk to him sometimes he'd bring coffee to him. That's one of the things he loved his coffee. You're going to be miss greatly. Love you. Miss you already*

**Maryann D. Lawrence** - March 20, 2020 at 06:38 PM

DS

*Do many memories from the skating rink. My thoughts are with Cathy and her Mom, prayers for the family. The Smorol family*

**Dottie Smorol** - March 21, 2020 at 12:06 PM



“ **JAMES "SPIKE" LaMANNA**

January 21, 2023 at 02:11 PM

VC

“ I just learned that Spike has passed away. I am so sorry. Spike was one of my mother's, June Capels, dearest and long-time friends. I heard so many stories over the years of roller skating, dancing, and Sophie's parties. My sincere condolences to Spike's family and friends. He will be dearly missed.  
--Valerie Capels



Valerie Capels - April 25, 2020 at 10:25 AM

CM

“ Great Guy and a good friend of the Milazzo family. Condolences to the family. RIP.  
Chuck Milazzo

Chuck Milazzo - March 23, 2020 at 07:36 PM

JS

“ All morning long today I would think about what was taking place at the funeral home and cemetery for my brother Jim's funeral services and I felt so helpless and sad that none of the family or his friends could be there to support and comfort Barb, Cathy, Jim and Bridget. Every time I looked out the window today, I saw snow coming down and it does not let up and you can't ignore it.. In my heart I believe it is Spike saying " Since you can't come to say goodbye to me, I am coming to all of you to say Remember me. Love Jeanie

Jeanine Simiele - March 23, 2020 at 02:05 PM

JD

“ Barb, Cathy and Jim my heart is with you at this time. I'm am really going to miss Spike. He had a special place in my heart that no one knows. He was always there for my Dad when he was healthy and when he was sick. Saying thanks for all the help was never enough. He was the best friend my Dad could ever have. I know in my heart that Spike is with all the family and friends he has in heaven. I love you, Spike.

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**Joni Ducey** - March 22, 2020 at 01:38 PM

MC

“ I was fortunate enough to have honor and pleasure of growing up with Spike's daughter and son, Cathy and Jim. Spike and Barb were the “cool parents”. Spike would always take us kids to the local ice cream stand, Pete's Polar Parlor. The three of us would be in the backseat of the car with our ice cream cones playing “Statue of Liberty”...getting ice cream all over the place! Spike never got upset with us, as he would calmly tell us to behave...and we did (usually!). It never stopped him from taking us there and being totally awesome. He always had a smile on his face and made you feel welcomed.

*My thoughts and very fond memories are with Barb, Cathy, Jim and all the family.*

*Sincerely,  
Matt Cacossa*

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**Matt Cacossa** - March 22, 2020 at 12:58 PM

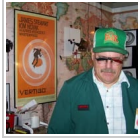
RT

“ Ralph and Cathie Tufts purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of JAMES "SPIKE" LaMANNA.



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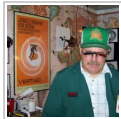
**Ralph and Cathie Tufts** - March 21, 2020 at 12:29 PM



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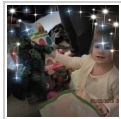


Chris Ducey - March 21, 2020 at 10:23 AM



2017 Family Picnic

Chris Ducey - March 21, 2020 at 10:24 AM



*I'm glad this picture was posted in honor of Spike. It is one of the most beautiful pictures we have of him and our wonderful family and right up front where Spike belongs. He will always be remembered at all the family picnic gatherings we had over many many years. Watching him play cards and winning most of the time. ( I think ). Rest in peace my wonderful Cuz.*

Theresa Lamanna Furletti - March 22, 2020 at 10:29 PM

ML

“ Maryann D. Lawrence sent a virtual gift in memory of JAMES "SPIKE" LaMANNA



Maryann D. Lawrence - March 20, 2020 at 11:03 PM

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**TOM LONGO** - March 20, 2020 at 08:59 PM

CE

“ *Catherine Capella And Doris Earl lit a candle in memory of JAMES "SPIKE" LaMANNA*



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**Catherine Capella and Doris Earl** - March 20, 2020 at 08:59 PM

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**Todd Pronesti** - March 20, 2020 at 07:46 PM

RL

“ *Meeting my friend at McDonald's everyday , on a occasion we would all meet at Dominic for lunch*

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**Randy Iobdell** - March 20, 2020 at 06:14 PM



“ 60 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**BAGOZZI TWINS FUNERAL HOME, INC.** - March 20, 2020 at 03:17 PM