



JOSEPH J. CILANI JR.

March 17, 1927 - November 21, 2025

Joseph “Joe” J. Cilani, Jr., of Solvay, NY, passed away peacefully Friday November 21, 2025 surrounded by his family. Joe proudly served his country after being drafted into the U.S. Army during World War II, an experience that shaped his lifelong sense of duty, gratitude, and perseverance. Following his service, he earned his Bachelor’s Degree in Business from Niagara University and went on to build a life rooted in hard work, faith, and devotion to those he loved.

Joe was predeceased by his beloved wife, Alma S. Pellizzari, in 2017. He leaves behind his children, Michael (Laura) Cilani, of Arizona and Cynthia (Dave) Procopio, of North Carolina, who will forever cherish his steady guidance and unconditional love. He was a proud and devoted grandfather to David J. Procopio and Cecilia A. Procopio, of North Carolina, and Michael L. Cilani, of Arizona.

There are no calling hours. Private services and burial with Military Honors were held at Onondaga County Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Syracuse. BAGOZZI TWINS FUNERAL HOME, Solvay, NY has care of arrangements. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his memory to: Honor Flight Syracuse, Inc., P.O. Box 591, Syracuse, NY 13209. Please share online tributes and memories at www.bagozzitwins.com.

Cemetery Details

ONONDAGA COUNTY VETERAN'S MEMORIAL CEMETERY - PRIVATE COMMITTAL

4069 Howlett Hill Rd.
Syracuse, NY 13215

Tribute Wall

DK

“ On behalf of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Comfort Tyler Chapter (Syracuse), we send our condolences to the family.

Forget Me Not

*Don't remember me not with sadness,
Don't remember me with tears,
Remember all the laughter,
We've shared throughout the years,
Now I am contented,
That my life it was worthwhile.
Knowing that I passed along the way,
I made somebody smile,
When you are walking down the street,
And you've got me on your mind,
I'm walking in your footsteps,
Only half a step behind,
So please don't be unhappy,
Just because I'm out of sight,
Remember that I'm with you,
Each morning, noon, and night.*

Diana Kleinwaks - December 29, 2025 at 07:09 PM

CP

“ On behalf of our family, we would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has taken the time to share a message, memory, or condolence in honor of our dad. Your words have brought us comfort during an incredibly difficult time.

Thank you for keeping his spirit alive through your stories, your kindness, and your prayers. Your support has been a beautiful reminder of the love that surrounds us, and we are deeply grateful.

*With love,
Mike & Cindy*

Cindy Procopio - December 07, 2025 at 10:28 AM

KP

“ Kathie Pellizzari lit a candle in memory of JOSEPH J. CILANI JR.



Kathie Pellizzari - November 29, 2025 at 09:59 PM

KP

Mike, and Cindy, I am very sorry for your loss.

Kathie Pellizzari - November 29, 2025 at 10:01 PM

CP



Cindy Procopio - December 07, 2025 at 10:31 AM

MF

“ So sorry for your loss Joe was a great guy, Jerry and Mickie Femano

mickie feano - November 27, 2025 at 11:36 AM

CP



Cindy Procopio - December 07, 2025 at 10:35 AM

LA

“ Please accept the most heartfelt sympathies of Le Moyne College. We hope the love and memories that you will forever hold in your heart bring you peace and comfort during this difficult time.

LeMoyne College Office of Alumni - November 26, 2025 at 10:54 AM

CP

Thank you so much.

Cindy Procopio - December 07, 2025 at 10:36 AM

JN

“ I remember Joe and my father Joe used to be together quite often . Sorry for your loss Michael and Cindy. Joseph Novembrini

Joseph Novembrini - November 25, 2025 at 05:46 PM

CP

Thank you, Joseph. I believe they golfed...a lot!

Cindy Procopio - December 07, 2025 at 10:37 AM