



## Giovanni Merendino

February 18, 1942 - March 29, 2020

Devoted husband, loving father, and Nonno, Giovanni Merendino of Tinton Falls, NJ has died at age 78 after a long battle with cancer. He was born in Carini, Italy to Antonino Merendino and Rosalia Pecoraro. He served in the Italian military before coming to America to work in the Italian Restaurant business with his brother. He went back to Italy after 9 years where he met his wife at age 36 and they were married on April 25, 1978. With her he came back to America to build his family. He and his wife built several successful businesses in Virginia and New Jersey while raising a family. He retired with his wife after many years of hard work and teaching good work ethic to his children. He spent the last years of his life as a doting Nonno to his 3 grandsons. He was a big soccer enthusiast and planned events and outings around all of the important games. "Forza Milano!" He enjoyed family gatherings, and playing card games such as poker, scopa, and solitaire. He also loved music and dancing. `

He was well loved by his family and a respected businessman in the community. He is survived by his loving wife of 41 years, Laura "Natalina" Merendino, his daughter, Sabrina Reid, her husband, Tom Reid; 3 grandsons, Dominic, Dante, and Dino, of Tinton Falls, sons, Gregory Merendino and his wife, Molly, of Bayonne, Riccardo Merendino and his wife, Tara, of Mantoloking, one sister, Ina Mondrone, of Lydenhurst, NY and one brother, Gaspare Merendino, and his wife, Joan, of Newport News, VA. In

addition to his parents, he was predeceased in death by his brother Tommy Merendino of Bayshore, NY.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Giovanni's name can be made to: Cancer Research Institute: [www.cancerresearch.org](http://www.cancerresearch.org) or Autism Research Institute: [Autism.org](http://Autism.org).

Effective 9 p.m. Saturday, March 21, 2020 all funeral homes are operating under newly issued Executive Order No. 107. All public funeral gatherings, viewings or ceremonies therefore should not be conducted in any funeral home, place of worship, cemetery or crematory until further notice. Only immediate family should be permitted to privately identify, participate in a non-public viewing and/or abbreviated service and witness the final disposition.

# Previous Events

**All services are private**

MAR **29** (ET)

Bongarzone Funeral Home  
2400 Shafto Road  
Tinton Falls, NJ

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bongarzone Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Giovanni Merendino*



**Bongarzone Funeral Home** - April 03, 2020 at 10:21 AM

DZ

*A life lived to the fullest, surrounded by the most loving family I've ever known. This was a blessed man. May he sit with the angels in peace.*



**Donna Zervoulis** - April 03, 2020 at 11:37 AM

IM

*MY BROTHER GIOVANNI MERENDINO HIS LAST DAYS LOVE WHIT ALL MY HART R.I.P.*

**ina mondron**e - April 03, 2020 at 01:48 PM

RO

“ *Rosalie lit a candle in memory of Giovanni Merendino*



**Rosalie** - April 03, 2020 at 01:43 PM

RO

*We are so sorry that we weren't able to be there for you guys...xoxo*

**Rosalie** - April 03, 2020 at 01:45 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album Funeral Ceremony



Bongarzone Funeral Home - April 03, 2020 at 12:35 PM

RO

*Thank you so much for providing us with the video during this difficult time....*

Rosalie - April 03, 2020 at 01:52 PM

DZ

*He truly was "a gift."*

Donna Zervoulis - April 03, 2020 at 02:49 PM

CL

*That was beautiful. May he rest in eternal peace!*

Catherine Longo - April 04, 2020 at 09:49 AM

IM

*THANK YOU FOR PROVIDING US WITH THE VIDEO DURING THIS DIFFICULT TIME.LOVE YOU DEAR BROTHER GIOVANNI.*

ina mondrono - April 04, 2020 at 10:44 AM

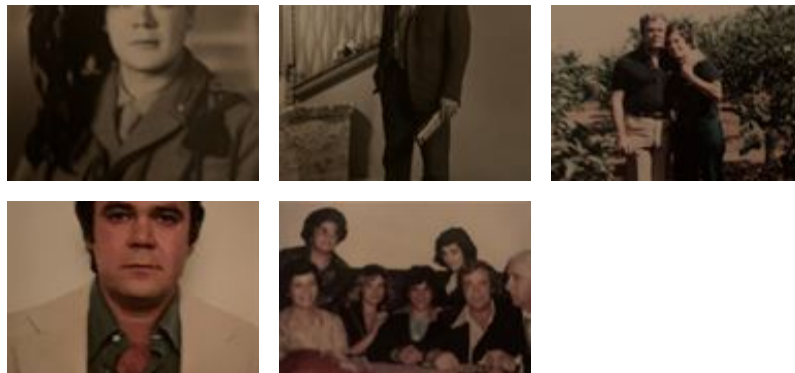
AA

“ We miss all of you so much and wish we could all be together❤️ My favorite memory was spending Easter with Zio. Actually Easter Sunday was the first time we met. I adored him. I loved hanging out in the kitchen, laughing, having coffee, playing cards, and watching movies. I will miss him terribly. Heaven has one amazing angel now, Rest In Peace ❤️🙏

Amy Armetta - April 03, 2020 at 10:59 AM

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“ 78 files added to the album Life Tributes



Bongarzone Funeral Home - April 03, 2020 at 10:32 AM

BH

“ Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Giovanni Merendino



Bongarzone Funeral Home - April 01, 2020 at 11:25 PM

PM

“ Sabrina, I am thinking of you and your family sending love. May you find comfort in your hearts during this time.



Patrizia Milano - April 01, 2020 at 05:26 PM

NM

“ My deepest sympathy to you and your family. Please accept my thoughts and prayers for all of you at this time.

Nancy Malinconico - April 01, 2020 at 02:13 PM

DG

“ Thinking of you and your family, so sorry for your loss Sabrina. May your dad rest in peace. My Condolences Denise Goldstein

Denise Goldstein - April 01, 2020 at 01:22 PM

VJ

“ My heart goes out to you, Sabrina, and to your family. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. I am so sorry for your loss. ❤️



Veronica Jeremias - April 01, 2020 at 12:58 PM

CL

“ To Sabrina and the entire family. My condolences go out to you and I PRAY God provides the comfort needed to get you all through this very sad and difficult time.



Catherine Longo - April 01, 2020 at 11:35 AM



“ My deepest condolences to you Greg and your family. May the Lord heal your pain, and may your Dad rest in peace  
Jessica Dawidowski



Jessica Dawidowski - March 31, 2020 at 01:44 PM

MM

“ *My Deepest Sympathies and Prayers of Comfort to you Sabrina & to your Family. May your Dad Rest in Eternal Peace.*

**Mary Meier** - March 31, 2020 at 01:33 PM

MS

“ *Dear GREG,  
I am deeply sorry to hear of the loss of your father... and for your inward pain. My family and I ask God to bless the soul of the wonderful man you called dad. Please accept our sympathy and pass it along to your wife and the family.  
God's blessings and strength be upon you and yours.  
Amen and Amen.  
Mark, Joanne and Mark Thomas Squitieri*

**Mark Squitieri** - March 31, 2020 at 01:11 PM

BH

“ *Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Giovanni Merendino*



**Bongarzone Funeral Home** - March 31, 2020 at 10:25 AM

DZ

*"Good Night Sweet Prince and flights of angels sing thee to thy rest."  
Giovanni Merendino was A man who exemplified The American Dream. I was honored to know him. I love his wife, children and grandchildren so much. You are ALL in my prayers. Donna Zervoulis*

**Donna Zervoulis** - March 31, 2020 at 01:47 PM

MW

*To Greg & Molly and Sabrina and the entire Merendino Family, Our deepest sympathies on the loss of your Dear Father. May he rest in Peace. Keeping you all in our Thoughts and Prayers.*

*Mary & Ken Webb*

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**Mary Webb** - April 01, 2020 at 11:25 AM

LT

*to my dearest Sabrina and Family,*

*My deepest sympathy on the loss of your Father, Husband and Nonno... May he rest in peace, I will keep all of you in my thoughts and prayers...*

*much love,*

*Linda*

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**Linda Talbot** - April 01, 2020 at 05:15 PM

DZ

*After watching the tribute video, I understand why Greg is such a wonderful human being in so many ways. The love his father shows in these pictures is testament to a life of happiness and joy with which Greg was raised. What a gift to have this video to play for Giovanni's grandchildren. He will always be alive in everyone's heart. May God watch over all of you and may your precious Dad, husband, brother, father in law, Grandpa and uncle rest in eternal peace. With so much love, Donna Zervoulis.*

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**Donna Zervoulis** - April 03, 2020 at 03:01 PM