



Giovanni Rivezzi

May 5, 1937 - October 17, 2024

Giovanni Rivezzi, age 87, passed away peacefully surrounded by his loving family. Born on May 5, 1937, in Formicola, Caserta, Italy, Giovanni lived a life rich in hard work, creativity, and love for his family. In 1961, he immigrated to the United States in pursuit of new opportunities and settled into a career that spanned many trades.

On July 24, 1965, Giovanni married the love of his life, Teresa Marigliano. Together they built a beautiful life and raised four children. Giovanni's work ethic was evident in everything he did. In Italy, he worked as a plumber, electrician, and appliance repairman. Upon arriving in the U.S., he continued his passion for hands-on work as a Facilities Maintenance Supervisor and later as a Precision Tooling Specialist.

Giovanni was a man of simple joys. He loved watching wrestling and soccer, playing the guitar, singing, painting, and gardening. He was also a man of many talents and an inventor at heart. He always had a project going in his beloved garage, his personal "man cave," where he would tinker with inventions and enjoy smoking his pipe. His family lovingly called him "the genius" for his boundless creativity and problem-solving skills.

Giovanni retired at the age of 65 but continued to pursue his hobbies and inventions. He is survived by his wife, Teresa; their four children: Michael (and his wife, Gladys), Terry (and her husband, Carmelo), Gianna (and her husband, John), and Annalisa (and her husband, Helder); nine grandchildren: Lorraine, Antonella, Gabby, Paul, Jonmichael, Joey, Jaydon, and Kyleigh; and

three great-grandchildren: Julian, Connor, and Landon. He is also survived by his sister Carmelina in Italy and his sister Antonietta in New Jersey.

He was preceded in death by his brothers Peter and Gerardo.

Giovanni will be remembered as a devoted husband, father, and Nonno, a skilled tradesman, and a brilliant inventor. His legacy will live on in the love and knowledge he passed down to his family. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday October 22, 2024, from 9:30 am until the funeral mass at 11am, at the Church of St. Anselm, 1028 Wayside Road, Tinton Falls. Interment to follow at St. Anne's Cemetery, Wall. In lieu of flowers donations in his memory may be made to: St Jude Childrens Hospital at www.stjude.org

Cemetery Details

Saint Anne's Cemetery

1610 Allenwood Road
Wall, NJ

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **22**. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Church of Saint Anselm
1028 Wayside Rd
Tinton Falls, NJ 07712-3146
(732) 493-4411

Mass

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“ I remember vividly going to dock to await my Uncle Giovanni's arrival in the U.S. He is my mother's younger brother and he would stay with us for some time as he established himself in the United States. I remember seeing his entry form to go on the "Amateur Hour" TV show. He played guitar and sang and just seemed ready to take the world by storm. However, he had to go to work, too. My dad helped him get a job at Harris Structural Steel, where Dad was working at the time, and together they would come home and talk about working in "the box" (in their accented English). Apparently, these were parts of the structure of the Verrazano Narrows Bridge that would be shipped to the Brooklyn side of the project when that bridge was built, so remember my uncle each time you cross that bridge. I mentioned, too, that Uncle Giovanni played guitar. Soon after he came, he bought a Gibson hollow-bodied acoustic-electric guitar and played it for many years. I bought it from him in 1970 and I still have it to this day. I just played it before I wrote this and think fondly of my uncle all these years later. I danced, for the first time, at his wedding, and there are many more memories but these are the ones that are easiest and most simple to relate. I will always smile when I remember him.

Salvatore Caputo - October 28, 2024 at 06:35 PM

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“ Bongarxone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Giovanni Rivezzi



Bongarxone Funeral Home - October 19, 2024 at 11:07 AM