



## Jack M. Branin

January 5, 1935 - December 18, 2014

Jack Branin, 79, of Tinton Falls, passed away on Thursday, December 18, 2014. Jack was born in Red Bank, NJ and grew up in both Rumson, NJ and Syracuse, NY before moving to Tinton Falls in 1962; he has resided in Tinton Falls for the past 52 years. Jack graduated from Pebble Hill Prep School in 1954, where he was awarded the “Best All Around Athlete” of the year. He was an avid athlete and admirer of sports his whole life. Jack then served in the US Navy during the 1950’s before moving to Tinton Falls in 1962. After moving, he attended Brookdale Community College, from which he graduated with a degree in Respiratory Therapy. Over the next fifteen years, Jack worked various positions including managing departments at Montgomery Wards, working as a respiratory therapist, owning his own floral business (“The Flower Cart”), and driving buses for NJ Transit, from where he eventually retired as an instructor.

Jack harbored a deep passion for helping others and serving the community. He was active in Emergency Services in Tinton Falls for over 50 years, acting as Chief and President in the Tinton Falls Fire Company in the 1960’s, President and Captain of the Tinton Falls First Aid EMS North Squad in the 1980’s and early 2000’s, and Fire Commissioner of District 2 from 1987-1994. During those years of service he received many awards and touched the hearts and lives of many people. Jack was also a longstanding member of the Monmouth County Republican Party, and recently served as a District

Representative.

Jack was a beloved father and grandfather and an amazing and loving friend to all of those lucky to keep his company. He will be missed dearly.

Jack is predeceased by his wife R. Ellen Branin in 2014, son Mark C. Branin in 2006, and a brother Lewis Branin in 1956. Surviving is his daughter Jill E. Carroll and her husband Daniel of Stowe, VT, a son Jack M. Branin Jr. and his wife Jody of Howell, NJ, and five grandchildren: Sean Hunt, Daniel and Kelly Carroll, and Andrew and Ian Branin. He is also survived by a brother Kem Branin and his wife Maggie.

Visitations will be from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m., including a Fireman's Service at 7 p.m., Monday December 22, 2014 at the Bongarzone Funeral Home, 2400 Shafto Road, Tinton Falls. Funeral Services will be offered at 10 a.m. Tuesday December 23, 2014 at the funeral home. Interment will follow at Fairview Cemetery, Middletown.

# Cemetery Details

## Fair View Cemetery

Route 35  
Middletown, NJ

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **22**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Bongarzone Funeral Home  
2400 Shafto Road  
Tinton Falls, NJ 07712  
(732) 918-6200

## Visitation

DEC **22**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

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DEC **23**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Jack M. Branin*



bongarzone funeral home - December 22, 2014 at 09:02 PM



“ *Let It Snow was purchased for the family of Jack M. Branin.*



December 22, 2014 at 10:40 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Jack M. Branin.*



December 22, 2014 at 09:06 AM

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“ I have many memories of Jack...the guy who I could joke around with and loved to see him laugh...the man sitting in the pews, with his wife, practicing his faith...the husband so present to his wife as she battled -with grace- numerous physical ailments toward the end of her life...the gentleman who, if you sat and listened, had a fascinating life story...the father and grandfather for whom creating a home- a place of connection and self-assurance- not only for himself but for all who would call Ellen and him relative or friend.

As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, I'm been entrusted -at times- to invoke certain sacred words not as my own, but as Christ's own blessing and declaration: 'Well done, my good and faithful servant.'

We miss you Jack, and shall forever remember you. And we give thanks that you are with all the saints in light, gathered around the throne of God, with Ellen and with Mark.

*Pastor Dean Brown  
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Red Bank*

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**Pastor Dean Brown** - December 21, 2014 at 05:57 AM

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Jack was such a caring and loving husband, father, grandfather and friend. He always put people first before himself, whether you were family or friend. His wonderful smile and laugh had a lasting affect on those who knew him. May God Bless his family, whom he was so proud of, with Peace in knowing he is with his beloved Wife Ellen and Son Mark in Heaven and there are no tears in Heaven. The Earth has lost a Saint but the Heavens have gained. With Sympathy and Comapssion the Eldershaws.

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**Renee Eldershaw** - December 21, 2014 at 10:08 AM

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*We are so sorry for your loss. We remember Jack well when he visited Medford/Medford Lakes. Sincerely, Betty Kay and Gene Foster*

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**Betty Kay & Gene Foster** - December 21, 2014 at 01:25 PM

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*We are so sorry to hear of the passing of Jack Branin. To Jill and Jack Jr. and their families, we offer our sincere sympathy. Tinton Falls has lost a dedicated community volunteer. Jack will be missed by those who knew him and those he served. May he rest in peace. LuAnn Catlin & Michael Martin*

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**LuAnn Catlin** - December 22, 2014 at 11:25 AM