



## John Bontz Sr.

October 16, 1936 - October 24, 2022

John M. Bontz, 86 years old, formerly of Ocean Isle Beach NC, passed away peacefully in Shark River Hills, NJ on Monday, October 24, 2022. He was born to John and Irene (DePaul) Bontz on October 16, 1936 in Jersey City, NJ. He is predeceased by his parents, and is survived by his devoted wife, Marion, to whom he was married for 63 years; his three children; John (Nancy), Cherie and Ken; and his four grandchildren; Chris, Marissa, Tim and Matt.

He served in the US Army for three years as a line cook, where he was stationed in Virginia Beach, VA. He was honorably discharged in 1958.

Upon his departure from the Army, he followed in his father's footsteps and became an apprentice printer for TFH Publications in Jersey City. When TFH Publications relocated to Neptune NJ, he moved his family to Tinton Falls where they resided for 30 years. Before retiring in 2002, he was managing the printing and bindery divisions of the publishing aspect of the company.

John was a dedicated family man who valued hard work above all else. He took pride in the cars he drove, his lawn(s), and his children's achievements. He was an avid hunter, as well as his wife's biggest supporter in her charity and committee work.

Upon retirement, John and Marion moved to Ocean Isle Beach, NC, where they spent 18 years enjoying the mild climate. John enjoyed golfing and playing cards with his friends and was always up for a good meal. They traveled to places near and far and enjoyed each other's company immensely. Even though he lived in NC for so many years, his love of the NY Yankees

and the NY Giants never diminished.

He gave so much to those he loved and will be greatly missed by those who survive him.

A memorial gathering will be held Saturday, October 29, 2022 from 2-6 at the Bongarzone Funeral Home, 2400 Shafto Road, Tinton Falls, NJ 07712. For online condolences and directions. please visit his memorial page at [www.bongarzonefuneralhome.com](http://www.bongarzonefuneralhome.com)

## Cemetery Details

All other services are private

## Previous Events

### Memorial Gathering

OCT **29**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *To the Bontz family. We are so sorry for your loss!*

*Joe and Dee Poremski*

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**Dee Poremski** - October 29, 2022 at 08:58 PM



“ *The Garibaldi Family purchased the Pretty Please for the family of John Bontz Sr..*



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**The Garibaldi Family** - October 29, 2022 at 06:49 PM



“ *To the Bontz family. So sorry for your loss.*

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**Marc Paladino** - October 28, 2022 at 09:25 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of John Bontz Sr..*



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October 28, 2022 at 05:00 PM

JH

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this difficult time. I met John when I was 17 and we grew up together and shared many good times.

We hunted, worked on our cars, and raised our families. John was like a big brother and best friend to me. He was a great man.

Sending love,

Jim & Joanie Heyer

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joan heyer - October 27, 2022 at 08:13 PM



“ Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of John Bontz Sr..



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October 27, 2022 at 01:17 PM

JG

“ When I think of Mr. Bontz, I think of Panther Lake – rowing across the lake to the Bontz dock and meeting his joyful expression and that twinkle in his eye that told you he may be up to something (or knew that you were!).

I recall that he was always a willing listener of my dad's countless jokes, and a participant in mischief they cooked up from time to time. I envision them now, sitting on a dock, sipping a cocktail, and telling unending stories. He was one of the good guys – stalwart; loyal, and just plain fun to be around.

Wishing the Bontz family love and peace at this sad time.

-Janet (Gallaway) Geib

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Janet Geib - October 27, 2022 at 09:31 AM



“ *I know that Mr. Bontz was a honorable man worked very hard his whole life but still made time for his family. He was a steadfast rock; the kind of man that you could emulate and trust. Our sincere condolences and prayers go out to you. Len and Holly*

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**Leonard Briggs** - October 27, 2022 at 08:06 AM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of John Bontz Sr..*



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October 26, 2022 at 09:44 PM



“ *Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of John Bontz Sr.*



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**Bongarzone Funeral Home** - October 25, 2022 at 09:43 PM