



John Thomas Melella

March 1, 1913 - November 26, 2014

John Thomas Melella passed away peacefully on Wednesday, November 26, 2014. He was 101 years old. He was born in Hastings-on-Hudson, NY, March 1, 1913 and by the age of seven his family moved to Yonkers, N.Y. where he attended elementary school and graduated from Saunders High School. He worked for Anaconda Wire and Cable Company in Hastings NY. Mr. Melella started his career in the mail room and after taking some college level accounting classes he moved into the accounting department where he rose to the rank of supervisor. He served in the Army during WWII in the European theater and returned to Anaconda upon discharge. Mr. Melella remained with Anaconda Wire and Cable until he retired in 1975 after 44 years of service. 1978 Mr. and Mrs. Melella moved to Ocean, NJ to be near their daughter and grandchildren. Mr. Melella spent his days on the golf course and his weekends rooting for the N.Y. Yankees during baseball season. Off season he was an avid sports fan and enjoyed walks, cross word puzzles, and visiting family in California.

Mr. Melella married Rose Quicci Melella in 1937 and was widowed in 1991 after 54 years of marriage. Mr. Melella is survived by his only child, Rosemary Melella Venta and her husband Mario M. Venta, two grandsons, Anthony and John Venta, a granddaughter-in-law Tara Venta, and two great-granddaughters, Brecken and Paige. Mr. Melella is also survived by one remaining sister, Mrs. Annette Kutka of Clovis, CA. He was predeceased by his parents and nine brothers and sisters.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Bongarzone Funeral Home, in Tinton Falls, NJ. and all Funeral services are private.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of John Thomas Melella*



Bongarzone Funeral Home - December 05, 2014 at 11:27 AM

KT

“ *Dearest Roe, I remember your father chuckling when I would come down to your home. Your Mom would be putting food on the table and John would ask me to come over and join your family. I politely told him that I had eaten at home, but within a few minutes I was 'chowing down' a most delicious meal, savoring every bite only to glance over at your father who had the biggest grin on his face.*



I didn't realize that your Dad was born in the same year as my Mother and that both of our fathers went to Saunders. We used to have a big Anaconda wire plant out here in Marion, IN. A small world, but a Big Heaven!

May John be rejoicing with your Mom, and all of his deceased siblings in the presence of the Angels and Saints. As he looks upon the Face of God, he will be praying for his "Princess Daughter Rosemary". May our Blessed Mother Mary bring you comfort at this time.

In Jesus' Healing Love to all,

K & Ron Trautvetter

Kay & Ron Trautvetter - November 30, 2014 at 02:55 PM

TV

“ *Tara Venta sent a virtual gift in memory of John Thomas Melella*



Tara Venta - November 28, 2014 at 03:39 PM

RV

Thank you Tara. Pop would love this.

Rosemary Venta - November 29, 2014 at 11:55 AM

TV

“ *Tara Venta lit a candle in memory of John Thomas Melella*



Tara Venta - November 28, 2014 at 03:38 PM