



## William Leon Forte

March 5, 1933 - August 27, 2024

William Forte of Ridgewood, NJ died on August 27, 2024 of natural causes. Bill, or 'Butchie' as he was known to his childhood friends, was born in Revere, MA to Achille Forte and Julia Forte (Frangipane). His mother would observe that his birthdate was notable as it was the day that FDR "closed the banks."

A bit of a prankster in his youth, Bill spent his time enjoying sports, and the benefits of growing up in a beach town.

After high school, he attended one year at Newman Preparatory School in Boston's Back Bay before pursuing a degree in business administration at Boston University, where he graduated in 1956.

During the summer of 1955 while waiting tables in Cohasset, MA, he met the love of his life, Margaret "Peg" Anderson of Brooklyn, NY. They were married barely a year later and relocated to New Jersey where Bill then served two years in the U.S. Army at Fort Dix.

After his discharge, he began a career working in information management for large insurance companies, first in Newark, NJ, then in New York City at United States Aviation Underwriters, Inc., before retiring in 1994.

His brothers, Robert Forte and Richard Forte predeceased him.

He is survived by his spouse, Margaret Forte; children William Forte, Jr. and his daughter Leandra Forte; Edward Forte and his wife Sandra Madden and their three children: Michael Forte, Amanda Forte and Jason Forte; Mary Maggio and her husband Joseph Maggio; and Julia Forte and her husband

Michael Stuart.

Condolences can be directed to Margaret Forte, *c/o* Mary Maggio, 7 Sandy Lane, Ocean, NJ 07712. A memorial service for friends and family will be scheduled in the fall at a date and location to be announced.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in  
memory of William Leon Forte* ”



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