



Anthony Robert "Bob" Cerilli

May 24, 1935 - December 11, 2017

Anthony Robert "Bob" Cerilli, 82, of Estero, FL, passed away on Monday, December 11, 2017. Formerly of North Providence, RI, he had been an Estero resident since 2007. He was born May 24, 1935 in Providence, RI, the son of Mario and Anna (née Buono) Cerilli.

Bob was a 1953 graduate of Cranston East High School, Cranston, RI and attended Bryant College. He owned and operated Pawtuxet Liquor Store in Cranston and The Lord's Inn in Warwick. He had been the manager of Goddard's Restaurant at the Biltmore Hotel in Providence and was employed at the Providence Civic Center until 1999 when he retired. He was a founding member of the Gaspee Day Parade Committee, Treasurer and board member at the Salvatore Mancini Union Free Library in North Providence, former and active parishioner at Mary Mother of Mankind Church in North Providence and current Parishioner of Our Lady of Light Catholic Community in Ft. Myers, FL. Bob was an avid Yankees fan.

Mr. Cerilli is survived by his loving wife of 44 years, Jo-Ann (née DeCesare) Cerilli; his beloved children, Marc Cerilli of Las Vegas, NV and Tara-Ann Cerilli of Estero, FL; and his cherished granddaughter, Lily-Ana Baker.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, A Joseph Cerilli; and his sister, Marion Cerilli.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Light Catholic Church, 19680 Cypress View Drive, Ft. Myers. Burial will follow in the church memorial garden.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that memorial contributions be made to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, www.nationalmssociety.org or to Hope Hospice, www.hopehospice.org.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Our Lady of Light Memorial Garden

19680 Cypress View Dr.
Ft. Myers, FL 33967

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

DEC **19**. 3:00 PM (ET)

Our Lady of Light Catholic Community
19680 Cypress View Dr.
Ft. Myers, FL 33967

Tribute Wall



“ Anthony Robert "Bob" Cerilli

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ Joanne Ron Burger, Nanette & Jennifer & Families purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Anthony Robert "Bob" Cerilli.



Joanne Ron Burger, Nanette & Jennifer & Families -
December 18, 2017 at 08:50 AM



“ Jo-Ann, Tara, Marc, Lily Ana and Cerilli family:
I am deeply saddened to hear of Bob's passing. Truly a great man and many fond memories of him will always remain. My thoughts go out to all of you during this difficult time. I pray that you find strength and solace and for Bob's beautiful soul to forever rest in peace...xo

Heather - December 17, 2017 at 12:11 PM



“ John and staff at Campbell's Auto Center purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Anthony Robert "Bob" Cerilli.



John and staff at Campbell's Auto Center - December 15,
2017 at 07:36 PM

DS

“ Dear JoAnne, Marc & Tara, we are so sorry for the loss of your husband and dad. He was funny, caring and genuine. I liked him from the moment I met him. I remember the times seeing him together with my dad and thinking, they could be brothers...You will always miss him but as time passes, the smiles from all the beautiful memories will get you through. For now, be comforted in knowing that he is with his Father, the Lord God. He is watching over you from above. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. Love, Debi-Gino-Frani-Justin Simone

Debra Simone - December 15, 2017 at 12:38 PM

GR

“ Share a memory? There are a thousand memories that come flooding back; Bobby standing on the sidewalk in front of Pawtuxet Liquors waving to all who passed by. The many Sunday afternoons playing poker with the guys in his basement. Those summer evenings riding to Newport Creamery in any one of his convertibles. His genuine generosity in lending me 400 bucks so I could buy my prized 1951 Chevy Bel Air hard top convertible. With Mike R. waiting for me to finish up at Rice News late on a summer Sunday morning so we could all go to Scarborough together. Only a few of my memories.

I loved the guy. He was a great and steadfast friend.

George R.

George T Rocchio - December 13, 2017 at 09:32 PM

BC

“ Bobby was the greatest joke teller,he had a new one for me almost everyday for quite a few years,and I looked forward to those jokes!! And we would meet at our mailboxes very frequently and it was always "See u later alligator" and I would answer "after while crocodile" Just funny things like that come to mind about my dear and loving friend Bobby,I love you and will miss my funny, loving,and caring friend!God will bless you Bobby,.....your friend always Bev

Bev Cordisco - December 13, 2017 at 08:46 PM

AC

“ How can I truly express my sentiments about Bobby? We have been friends since we were 15 years old. We managed through the late teens, survived our 20's and 30's only to finally grow up from our 40's until now. As specified on the back of one of the last pictures taken of me, Mike and Bobby, we will always be "Friends Forever:.
Love, peace and deeply sincere condolences, Anthony

Anthony Capraro - December 13, 2017 at 08:43 PM

MD

“ My Deepest Condolences to Marc and his whole Family at the difficult time. Our Thoughts and Prayers are with you . One Love, the Days



michael day - December 13, 2017 at 08:42 PM

CM

“ My deepest condolences to Tara, Mrs. Cerilli, and everyone who knew Mr. Cerilli. For those that had the privilege of knowing Mr. Cerilli, Know that we all learned something from him and know what a special person he is. 💙💙💙



charlene morales - December 13, 2017 at 07:25 PM

RL

“ A great man to our family, will truly be missed. My condolences Tara, LA and Jo-Anne.

Ray Lyons

Ray Lyons - December 13, 2017 at 05:05 PM

ES

My Friend Bob

*I sat and read the obituary
On the computer just today.
It said my friend Bob Cerilli
Had just passed away.
I am so glad that I knew this man
And was blessed to call him friend.
And I silently prayed to God above
That this was not the end.
For suddenly I realized
As I bowed my head and cried,
That when my friend had passed away
A part of me had died.*

Bishop Stockwell and Joan

Ephraim J. Stockwell - December 15, 2017 at 02:43 PM