



JAMES GERALD SCALA

September 30, 1942 - March 27, 2017

James Gerald Scala, 74, of Parsippany, NJ passed away peacefully at his home on Monday, March 27, 2017.

Born and raised in Newark, NJ, James proudly served in the United States Army and was stationed in Germany from 1962-1964.

He graduated from Newark State College and taught industrial arts at the Newark Public Schools. He later founded Scala and Scala Home Services, with his late brother Gary Scala, which he operated for 40 years.

James endured many "bumps in the road" with regard to his health, but always maintained a positive outlook on life and a smile.

Preceded in death by his parents, Gerald and Mary (nee Florentine) Scala; and his brother, Gary Scala; he is survived by his wife of 48 years, Virginia (nee Kaminskas), the love of his life; his children, Paul Scala and his wife Gina, and Jeffrey Scala and his wife Edna; and four very loved grandchildren, Mikayla, Miabella, Justin, and Valentino. James also leaves two sisters-in-law, Patricia Scala and Mary Jane Cito; and many nieces, nephews, and beloved friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family would be grateful for donations to the N.J. Sharing Network, 691 Central Avenue, New Providence, NJ 07974 (njsharingnetwork.org).

Cemetery

Northern New Jersey Veterans Memorial Cemetery

75 Church Road
Sparta, NJ, 07871

Events

MAR **Visitation** 02:00AM - 04:00PM

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S.J. Priola Parsippany Funeral Service
60 North Beverwyck Road, Lake
Hiawatha, NJ, US, 07034

MAR **Visitation** 07:00PM - 09:00PM

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MAR **Mass** 10:00AM

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St. Ann Roman Catholic Church
781 Smith Road, Parsippany, NJ, US

Comments



“ Jimmy was always there for me. We were both in business but not as competitors. He was always ready to offer advice for any situation that I thought he could help me with. I could always bounce ideas off of his experience. I will miss his easy smile and generosity.

John LaForte

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“ I met Jimmy on the first day of my job, as a teacher at Bergen St.School in Newark.He had been working there a number of years and I was fresh out of college. He took me under his wing to mentor me. Because of his kindness and advice, the transition from college student to teacher became much easier.

I moved onto other schools, but never lost touch with Jimmy.

I became good friends with his wife Ginny, and even did some babysitting for their two wonderful sons, so that they could go out to party!

I have known Jimmy for over 30 years. He has touched many lives as a teacher, businessman and friend. I will miss his humor, calm nature and friendship.

Rose LaForte

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