



John Daniel "Jack" O'Connell

March 7, 1936 - November 18, 2025

John Daniel "Jack" O'Connell, 89 years old, passed away at home on November 18, 2025.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 66 years, Lorraine O'Connell, née Riva and his children Cathy and Michael and Michael's wife Teresa, and his grandchildren, Michelle and Christopher.

Jack was raised in Jersey City and served in the U.S. Marines, being honorably discharged at the rank of Corporal.

He raised his family in Fairview, NJ and retired after many years working as an appraiser for the NJ Department of Transportation. He moved with Lorraine to Sea Girt, NJ where they hosted many memorable gatherings of friends and family before moving to Paramus, NJ in 2019.

Jack took good care of his family and was generous to friends, family, and strangers. He enjoyed golfing, hunting, playing cards, and going to Atlantic City. He will be missed!

In lieu of flowers the O'Connell family kindly requests donations be made to St. Jude's Children Research Hospital <https://www.stjude.org/>

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

NOV **23**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Volk Leber Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of John Daniel "Jack" O'Connell



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“ A fond memory of Uncle Jack was that he never missed a moment to ask how my family was doing. Every time I saw him, he would go down the list individually, never missing a single one. Those check-ins at the Riva reunions always brought me extra joy. Love and light are being sent to the O'Connell and Riva families.



Derek Dalonges - November 22, 2025 at 10:20 AM



“ My memories of Jack put a smile on my face. He was always telling jokes and making all of us feel like family. So grateful for the days in Sea Girl and all the other special moments. Praying for him to be at peace, and for Lorraine and family too!
Love always, Cindy

Cindy Lopes - November 20, 2025 at 07:11 AM

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“ *My thoughts are with the O'Connell and Riva families. Uncle Jack always made us feel welcome and made me laugh. The love between Jack and Lorraine is something everyone should experience. I enjoyed seeing them together and watching. Blessings and love. Cindy and Jess*

Cindy L Collins - November 19, 2025 at 12:08 PM

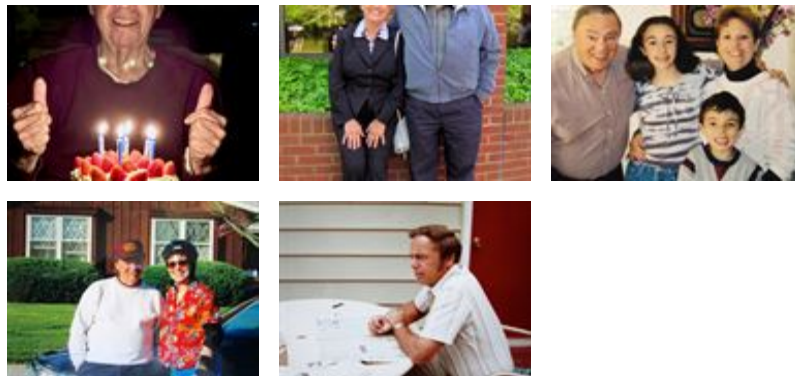
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“ *Uncle Jack was one of my very favorite people. We enjoyed our times together no matter where we went. We will miss how much he always shared how special he thought Aunt Lorraine was even after 66 years of marriage. He always got excited when he thought his children and grandchildren were coming to visit. He had accomplished life to be proud of and we will miss him terribly. Love, Darlene and Billy*

Darlene and Billy Riva - November 19, 2025 at 11:03 AM



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