



John Valerio

March 6, 2026

John Valerio passed away on March 6, 2026, at the age of 93, leaving behind a legacy of service, strength, and love for his family and community.

Born on July 7, 1932, in Italy, John immigrated to the United States as a young man — and almost immediately answered his new country's call to service, joining the United States Army and serving with the 2nd Infantry Division during the Korean War. It was a remarkable act of devotion to a nation he had barely had the chance to call home.

When he returned, John built his life in the New York area, dedicating his career to keeping others safe as a New York City police officer. He later settled in Township of Washington, New Jersey, where he served with great pride as Commander of VFW Post 6192 — remaining committed to his fellow veterans until the end.

But above all, John was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Jean; his sons Stephen (Jennifer) and Michael; and his grandchildren Celeste, Nick, Aiden, and Olivia, who will carry his spirit with them always.

A viewing will be at Volk Leber Funeral Home, 268 Kinderkamack Road in Oradell from 1-5 PM on Sunday, March 8. A Mass of Christian Burial will be

celebrated at St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Church at 10:30 AM, on Monday, March 9 with burial to follow at George Washington Memorial Park.

Cemetery Details

George Washington Memorial Park

234 Paramus Road
Paramus, NJ 07652

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 8. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Volk Leber Funeral Home
268 Kinderkamack Road
Oradell, NJ 07649
info@volkleber.com
<http://volkleberfuneralhome.com>

Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 9. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Andrew's RC Church
120 Washington Avenue
Westwood,, NJ 07675
(201) 666-1100
<http://www.standrewcc.com/HomePage.htm>

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“ It was such a pleasure working with John, but beyond that being friends with him. Such a wonderful, caring, patriotic man, always there to help Veterans; to serve Thanksgiving dinner at the Paramus Veterans Home & visiting Veterans there. Jean, what a great couple you made. To you, your sons, daughter-in-law & grandchildren, my heartfelt sympathy. May John rest in Peace & all of you, find peace of mind. God Bless all of you.



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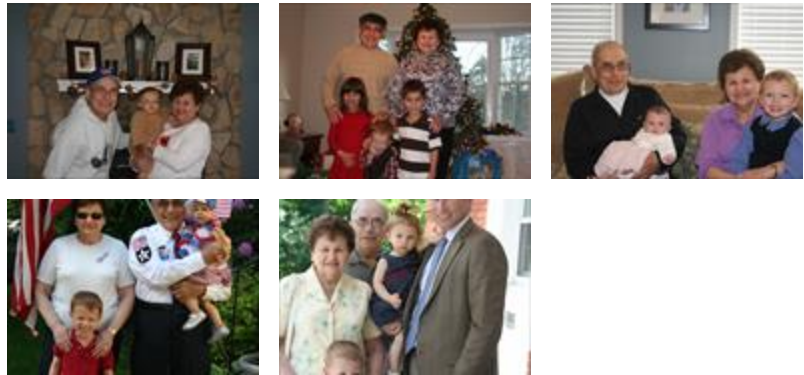
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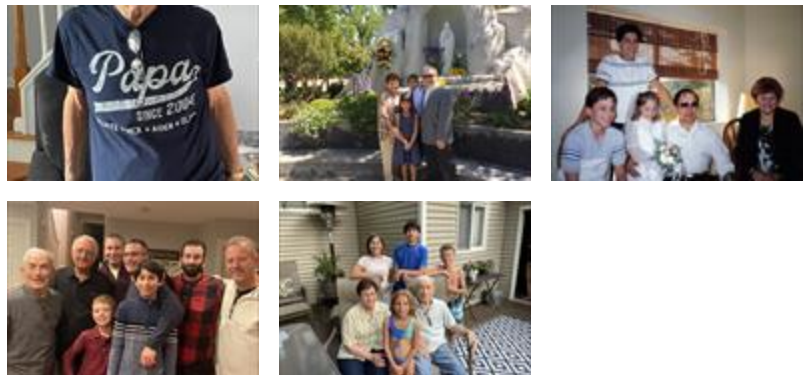
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