



## John Peter Varachi Jr.

September 13, 1947 - June 23, 2022

John P. Varachi Jr., beloved husband, father, and grandfather, passed away in the early morning hours of June 23, 2022. John was born on September 13, 1947, in Bronx, NY to Ella and John Sr. He was a proud Bronx boy who remembered fondly his days drag racing and hanging out at the White Castle. After receiving his Master's Degree in Mechanical Engineering from New York Polytechnical Institute, he began his long career at Bell Laboratories. John loved to talk about his days working with fiber optic cables and was even awarded a patent in 1991 for "high-precision adjustable injection molding of single-mode fiber optic connectors". John was a high-level thinker and problem solver who never stopped wanting to learn new things.

John married his love and best friend Geri in 1970. John and Geri spent 52 wonderful years together, moving from New York, to New Jersey and finally to Virginia. Their married life was spent working hard, enjoying evenings on the deck by the pool, weekendening on their sailboat, dining at restaurants with friends, and spending time with family. John was proudest of his family, never tiring of talking about his son, daughter, and later, his granddaughter. Some of his happiest moments were spent on the sands of Long Beach Island, NJ, soaking up the sun and listening to the waves with his wife and children.

John's zest for learning led to many hobbies. He was an avid woodworker who loved building specialized tools for each job almost as much as building the objects themselves. His workshop was his pride and joy and is a model of organization and precision. When the "cellar dweller" came up from the

basement, he enjoyed scenic drives in his beloved sports car, watching baseball, snacking on jellybeans, and napping to Bob Ross. The birds in the backyard will surely miss the love and care that John showed them, but will continue to enjoy his handcrafted bird feeders for years to come.

John is survived by his wife, Geri Varachi, son Joe Varachi, daughter Angela Varachi, daughter-in-law Christine Varachi and granddaughter Katie Varachi. Family and friends are invited to his Funeral Mass on Tuesday, June 28, 2022, at 10:30 AM at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 8213 Linton Hall Rd, Gainesville, VA 20155 with a service at Stonewall Memory Gardens, 12004 Lee Hwy., Manassas, VA. 20109. In lieu of flowers, the family asks for donations to be made to The American Cancer Society in John's name.

# Cemetery Details

## Stonewall Memory Gardens

12004 Lee Highway  
Manassas, VA 20109  
<http://www.stonewallmemorygardens.com>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUN 27.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home  
9609 Center St.  
Manassas, VA 20110  
(703) 257-6028  
[pfh@piercefh.com](mailto:pfh@piercefh.com)  
<https://www.piercefh.com>

## Mass of Christian Burial

**JUN 28.** 10:30 AM (ET)

Holy Trinity Catholic Church  
8213 Linton Hall Rd  
Gainesville, VA 20155-2997  
(703) 753-6700

# Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of John Peter Varachi Jr..



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June 25, 2022 at 05:31 PM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray* was purchased for the family of John Peter Varachi Jr..



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June 25, 2022 at 03:37 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray* was purchased for the family of John Peter Varachi Jr..



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June 25, 2022 at 03:32 PM