

Anthony "Muzzy" DeGirolano

1927 - 2011 Obituary



Anthony DeGirolano "Muzzy"

Age 84 of Millsboro, DE, passed away at his home on Sunday, August 21, 2011, surrounded by his loving family.

Anthony was born on March 25, 1927 and was raised in Wilmington, DE. A veteran of the US Army, he proudly served his country with honor and valor in WWII. He was a gifted mason and homebuilder, having built the developments of Pleasant Hills and Varlano Village with his late partner, Frank Vari. Anthony enjoyed horse racing, football, and gardening, but his most cherished moments were those spent with his children, grandchildren, and friends.

He was a truly devoted husband, father, and grandfather. He is survived by his loving wife of 54 years, Nancy C. DeGirolano; his 6 children, Diana Morton (Harry) of Newark, Anthony Jr. (Patti) of Millsboro, Gene (Bonnie) of Millsboro, James (Leigh Ann) of Newark, Beatrice Clymer (Don) of Georgetown, and Joseph (Marilyn) of Townsend; 16 grandchildren; 4 great-grandchildren; and numerous nephews and nieces.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Dalgisa and James DeGirolano; brother, Samuel; and sisters, Nellie Bellini and Day Andress, with whom he is now reunited.

The family wishes to express their deepest appreciation to Compassionate Care Hospice for their excellent care, as well as Nancy McMinn, whom he viewed as a daughter, for her attentive and loving care of Anthony.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at St. Anthony of Padua Church, 9th and DuPont Sts. in Wilmington, on Friday morning, August 26 at 11 am. Entombment will follow in Cathedral Cemetery. Visitation will be held at the CHARLES P. ARCARO FUNERAL HOME, 2309 Lancaster Ave. in Wilmington, on Thursday evening, August 25 from 6-8 pm. No visitation will be held on Friday morning prior to mass.