



## Joseph J. Musumarra

September 5, 1943 - March 13, 2024

Hampton – Joseph John Musumarra, 80, of Hampton, formerly of Methuen, MA, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his family on Wednesday March 13, 2024. He was born in Lawrence, MA on September 5, 1943 the son of the late John P. and Anne (Contarino) Musumarra.

Joseph was raised in North Andover Ma, and graduated from Central Catholic High School in Lawrence with the Class of 1961. He went on to graduate from Villanova University in 1965 and then Penn State in 1966 with his MBA.

He met his wife of 52 years on a blind date, the late Joan M. (Barry) Musumarra. They maintained a long-distance relationship when he was drafted into the army. He travelled home on a brief leave for their wedding and shortly after, they returned together to Germany where he completed his military career.

A proud entrepreneur, he owned and operated Malco Electronics with his father in Lawrence for over 40 years. His bond with his father was profound and he took great joy in being able to work every day with his best friend. Joseph proudly raised his children on their family farm in Methuen, Ma. He

owned several racehorses and loved spending time at the former Rockingham Park. He was an avid golfer, master joke teller and connoisseur of Italian pastries. A true family man, he loved spending time with his wife and kids, both on the farm in Methuen and at the beach in Hampton. He was a communicant of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church in Hampton and former longtime communicant of St. Monica Parish in Methuen.

Joseph is predeceased by his parents, his wife, Joan and daughter, Tara Burkhart. He leaves five children, John Musumarra and wife Jessica of Methuen, Erin Shanaver and husband Shawn of Hampton, Shallana and Kendra Musumarra both of Gardner, MA, Trae Musumarra and wife Alexis of Laconia NH; son in law, Philip Burkhart of Danville; fourteen grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours will be held from 4-7 P.M. on Monday March 18, 2024 at the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home-Crematory, 811 Lafayette Road, Hampton, NH. A mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at 11 A.M. on Tuesday March 19, 2024 at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 289 Lafayette Road, Hampton. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited. After cremation, private interment will be in the Elmwood Cemetery, Methuen where he will be laid to rest with his wife.. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project by clicking here ([https://support.woundedwarriorproject.org/Default.aspx?tsid=26155&\\_gl=1\\*106pen\\*\\_ga\\*NDY5OTEzMTg3LjE3MTA0NDcxNzM.\\*\\_ga\\_R4MM40GQC5\\*MTcxMDQ0NzE3My4xLjEuMTcxMDQ0NzE4OC40NS4wLjA](https://support.woundedwarriorproject.org/Default.aspx?tsid=26155&_gl=1*106pen*_ga*NDY5OTEzMTg3LjE3MTA0NDcxNzM.*_ga_R4MM40GQC5*MTcxMDQ0NzE3My4xLjEuMTcxMDQ0NzE4OC40NS4wLjA)) or by mail to P.O. Box 758516, Topeka, Kansas 66675-8516.

# Cemetery Details

## Elmwood Cemetery

130 N Lowell Street  
Methuen, MA 01844

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 18. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - Crematory  
811 Lafayette Road ·  
Hampton, NH 03842  
(603) 926-6500  
[info@remickgendron.com](mailto:info@remickgendron.com)  
<https://www.RemickGendron.com/>

## Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church  
289 Lafayette Rd  
Hampton, NH 03842

# Tribute Wall

JT

“ *A great Man that taught me many things. He will be missed.*

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**John Tomaselli** - April 09, 2024 at 05:47 PM

MR

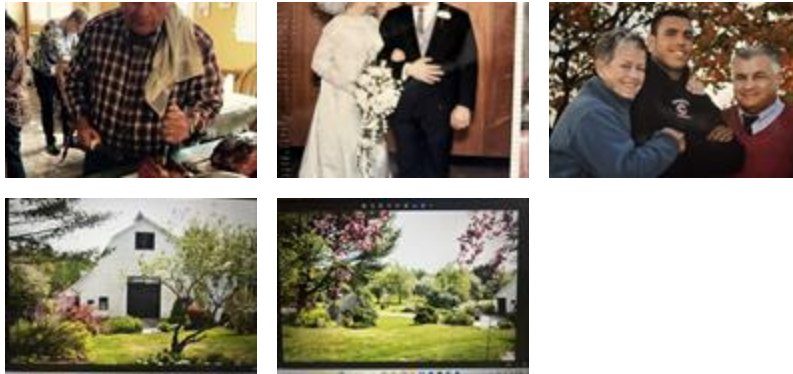
“ *Uncle Joe, there are so many memories and good times that were had at farm and the beach. However, some of my favorite times were at the kitchen table talking sports politics or any topic really or in front of the TV watching and discussing a sporting event. I will miss those times, but I'm sure you are in a good place with aunt Joan having coffee with toast "battered to the edges"....*

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**Matt Ruggiero** - March 20, 2024 at 08:26 PM

ES

“Dad- so many memories it is hard to pick and choose. Just had to enclose some photos of the farm which you and mom cherished I just have to say thank you to all our friends and family who came out and supported us, who called or sent condolences and shared memories. He touched so many lives. Dad, I am so proud to be a member of this family and know we will all do our best to carry on your legacy. As John and Trae so eloquently stated yesterday, we are so lucky to call you Dad and will be forever grateful for the unconditional love, kindness and support you showed each and every one of us. You have lived a full and blessed life and now God has set you free.



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Erin Shanaver - March 20, 2024 at 08:39 AM

BS

“Growing up visiting the Musumarra's will forever be some of my most cherished childhood memories. Our trips out to the farm every year to pick a Christmas tree, watch football and eat delicious meals with Joe's booming voice echoing through the house - always telling stories and jokes - forever a fond memory for me. He was such a presence, yet so gentle at heart. What a big heart he had. I know he and my father were such special friends and I cherish hearing stories up to the end of their "cannoli bets" and discussions about sports and politics. He was cherished and will be missed. Sending all the love, - Ben Sullivan

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Ben Sullivan - March 19, 2024 at 08:18 AM



“ I am so blessed to have met Joe. He was kind, interesting, and always had great advice. I know now how to bet on a horse or where to buy my donuts. He was all about his family and quality time. He was special. Prayers of comfort to his family and friends.

Genai O'Brien - March 19, 2024 at 07:20 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joseph J. Musumarra.



March 18, 2024 at 12:39 PM



“ 200 files added to the album LifeTributes



Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - March 18, 2024 at 11:17 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joseph J. Musumarra.*



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March 17, 2024 at 01:33 PM



“ *The Hadley Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Joseph J. Musumarra.*



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**The Hadley Family** - March 16, 2024 at 04:14 PM



“ *Al, Kathryn, Claire and Sam Contarino purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Joseph J. Musumarra.*



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**Al, Kathryn, Claire and Sam Contarino** - March 16, 2024 at 04:00 PM



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March 16, 2024 at 03:24 PM

TN

“ The Crew and Members of the NACC planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph J. Musumarra.

The Crew and Members of the NACC - March 16, 2024 at 03:24 PM

RS

“ Joe was a great associate on the Presentation of Mary advisory Board  
He always offered a reasonable option to a situation  
He was a good thinker & a brilliant business mind  
He will be missed

ray sirois - March 15, 2024 at 08:21 PM

LN

“ I met Joe standing in line to register for our freshman year at Villanova and we were friends ever since. The things we did together would fill a book. I treasure the times I spent visiting him and his parents in Andover. I remember going to the race track with him and his love of horses. Well old friend you crossed the finish line. Rest easy you will always be first in my book.

Leigh Narducci - March 15, 2024 at 06:03 PM

SP

“ Very sorry for your loss. I graduated from Central Catholic HS in 1961 and remember Joe as a friend. He was a wonderful person and I know he will be sadly missed. Sam Polese, San Diego, CA

Samuel Polese - March 15, 2024 at 02:14 PM

AW

“ Ashley Welch purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Joseph J. Musumarra.



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**Ashley Welch** - March 15, 2024 at 11:49 AM

GA

“ So very sorry to hear of Joe’s passing. I am in Florida and will not be able to attend any services.He was a wonderful person and a great friend,he will be missed Thoughts and prayers for him and the family.George Abdinoor

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**George Abdinoor** - March 15, 2024 at 11:03 AM

TL

“ Spent many days at breakfast at The Three Dogz Diner across from Joes' company. Lots of laughs. Very nice guy. R.I.P. Joe...

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**Tom Laverriere** - March 15, 2024 at 10:19 AM

JM

“ 13 files added to the album Joe



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**Jess Musumarra** - March 15, 2024 at 08:26 AM



“ <https://obits.phaneuf.net/rosanne-musumarra> ”

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**tp** - March 14, 2024 at 07:52 PM