



James Millas

June 10, 2019

In lieu of flowers donations to St John the Theologian Greek Orthodox
Cathedral 353 E Clinton Ave Tenafly NJ 07670

Cemetery Details

Brookside Cemetery

425 Engle St
Englewood, NJ 07631

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 13. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Barrett Leber Funeral Home
148 Dean Dr
Tenafly, NJ 07670
(201) 568-8043
<https://www.barrettleberfuneralhome.com/>

Service

JUN 14. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. John The Theologian Greek Orthodox Church
353 E Clinton Ave
Tenafly, NJ 07670

Tribute Wall

 Mike
Giannone

“ I normally get a Christmas card and a phone call from Jimmy and Catherine each year. This past year, 2018, I don't think I got one and life was so busy for me, the holiday went by without my reaching out to them. Tonight I was in a bar that reminded me of a bar I used to work at with Jimmy so naturally I was thinking of and began to worry since I did not hear from him. I do not know why, but something told me to google him. So I did and I was deeply saddened to see his obituary. He passed 3 weeks ago and I had no idea.

I worked with Jimmy at the Marriott in Teaneck. I was his manager. He was our bartender and part time Uncle, Father-figure, Grandfather-Figure, and friend to so many of us younger people. I was very close to Jimmy, so much so that when it came time for me to move to another Marriott Hotel, the most difficult part of leaving Teaneck for me was saying goodbye to Jimmy, a man who treated me and cared for me like family, like a God Son. It was difficult to walk away because I closed the bar with him every night and we had such mutual admiration for each other. Jimmy was full of laughs and had nicknames for all the different bottles of alcohol such as "Marie's brassiere Anisette" instead of "Marie's Brizzard," haha. I ADORED JIMMY, affectionately know to me as Jimmy the Greek and I knew him well enough to be able to say that the most important thing in the world to him was his family. I remember when his name sake Grandson was born and how happy he was having a new grandson and how honored he was that he was given his name. .

As I said, I was very fond and close to Jimmy so despite moving to another location, I STAYED IN CONTACT WITH HIM and exchanged Christmas cards with him and Catherine for 25 years. Most years the card exchanged followed up with a Christmas phone call and if I did not answer, he would leave me hysterical messages like, :Where the hell are you ?" My Christmas Cards were always Labeled "Jimmy The Greek Millas" and I looked forward to our annual conversation each year.

Jimmy was an absolute gem and he will always be someone special to me. I Pray for him, Catherine, and his family. He was an expert at his trade of Bartending and a Master Human Being too. May you Rest Easy my old friend. Love you Jim ! Michael Giannone - (Marriott Glenpointe)

Mike Giannone - July 06, 2019 at 10:43 PM

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“*Love and deepest sympathy from Maja, Cam, Maja and Ted Anton. Uncle Jim was a pillar to the whole family, and a role model. We miss him deeply!*”

Ted Anton - June 12, 2019 at 08:18 PM

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“*I was his only nephew and loved him very much. He was funny and passionate and really cared about all of us kids. He came from Greece, and Casanova Street in the Bronx, and in his Dumont home, he would call us in a high lilting voice, “Boys, want to pleh ball?” At holiday dinners he was the designated meat carver with his butcher knife and drink in hand, and my kids loved him too.*”

He fought as a soldier for Greece and worked for many years as a bartender in NY. He knew all the major sports figures I looked up to. He was master of his bar, abut he wanted his children most of all to get an education .In church he was the first to stand up and last to sit. He had funny sayings, and occasional malapropisms, being a native Greek speaker, such as Earsdrop for Eavesdrop.

We are all writing a book of our lives that we live every day. In my book, Uncle Jim was a main character. I thought he would live forever, and he will, in our hearts.

Ted - June 12, 2019 at 04:34 PM