

Joseph M Procida

March 31, 2021

Joseph M. Procida, devoted husband of 60 years to his late wife, Dorothy, peacefully passed away from natural causes on March 31, 2021 at his daughter's home in Closter, New Jersey. Joe was 88. The son of Mario and Mary Procida, who immigrated from Italy, Mr. Procida was a graduate of Cardinal Hayes High School and served in the U.S Army. After serving in the Army, Joe continued his father's legacy, leading Procida Construction Corp. for over 30 years. His proudest accomplishments were his family and the buildings he built, notably the River Café and The Water Club in NY, as well as the many friendships he made along the way. Joe's interests were many. He relished travel with family and friends, nights at the opera, and teaching and coaching. In his youth, he was an accomplished amateur boxer. Joe lived life to the fullest. "He left nothing on the table" or "great guy" have been phrases used to describe him, (often followed by a friend's favorite "unforgettable" Joe Procida story). He was an avid pilot for over 20 years, cherishing weekend flights to places along the east coast. A self-taught, award winning winemaker, Joe loved spending weekends picking and crushing grapes with his band of fellow vintners. To his children, Joe was larger than life. To his many friends, he became "Papa Joe". To his grandchildren, he was "Grandpa". Joe is survived by his 4 children, Mario, William, Christine (Albericci) and Joseph, and leaves a legacy of 13 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. Services were held privately. To share an unforgettable Joe story, or express condolences please visit his tribute page at

<https://www.barrettleberfuneralhome.com/obituaries/Joseph-Procida/>

Tribute Wall



“ I never had the pleasure of meeting Joseph but I have had the pleasure of a wonderful business relationship and more importantly friendship with his son Billy. I can only imagine what a wonderful father he must have been as Billy is one of the most authentic, genuine people you can know. Billy has touched many lives in a impactful way myself included and that can only start with the special traits Joseph passed along.

Jonathan M Levirne - April 23, 2021 at 01:07 PM



“ Joe Procida built quite an empire in his lifetime. He has children and grandchildren who are each more intelligent, beautiful and kind than the next. Yes, he had buildings and planes and cars, but more important than those things, he created a family who would stick together in all situations. As you can see from all these messages, he also extended himself to friends and coworkers and treated everyone like family. Dorothy, who is clearly situated prominently in heaven, has been looking out for everyone for the past few years. Joe will join her with great pride as he watches over the Procidas. My best wishes to you all as you grieve and celebrate his life together.

Fondly,
Holly

Holly Foley - April 12, 2021 at 09:08 PM

AO

“ Joe my friend you gave me hell on earth for 3yrs I always did my best for you, I will miss ur kisses n madness. You told me you love me and I never doubted you for minute as I love you too so my friend sleep on love Andrea Osbourne.

andrea osbourne - April 12, 2021 at 05:05 PM

JO

“ Joe Procida it was a pleasure taking care off you an also getting the chance to meet your wonderful families, who will always share a special place in my heart...RIP my friend Joe boxer 🥺💕💕 (JOAN). Once more my condolences to the Family 🙏❤️

Joan - April 12, 2021 at 10:28 AM

SB

“ Billy, So sorry to read about you fathers passing. Although I didn't know him, as I read the tributes written about him its clear to see what an amazing person and role model he was. My thoughts are with you and your family

Steven Braunstein - April 11, 2021 at 05:15 PM

AG

“ Papa Joe,

We all knew this day will eventually arrive but we were never ready for it. Papa Joe we will always remember all the beautiful moments, the legacy, the footprints and all the lives you touched on this Earth. Joe, will always remember how you were often quarreled with the Subcontractors as you negotiated with them but somehow you always remained friends. You knew how exactly how to separate business with pleasure & that's a skill that doesn't come easy to everyone. And let's not forget your Wine making! Loved that Limoncello! Loved all the Corrados Wine Tastings extravaganzas we attended with you & Dotty! How you loved to sway on that dance floor! And will also remember how I always secretly reminded you of Dotty's Birthdays! You always forgot!! Remember how you went above & beyond to gift her such beautiful Jewelry. We all knew she would eventually return them but the gesture has always been memorable! Lastly, can't forget when we were having our house built how you took out of your time to meet with our builder & coerced the builder to take care of a water issue. I think you used your charm & good looks to intimidate the builder into going into his own pocket & resolving the issue. Joe you always did things your way! You treated my family like your own family & that's something that we will always cherish.

May You Rest In Peace.

Love You Always,

Annette & Eddie 📍🙏🙏



Annette Gonzalez - April 11, 2021 at 02:42 PM

SA

“ *Billy - So sorry for your loss. Heartfelt condolences to you and your family.*

Sami Abusaad - April 11, 2021 at 09:08 AM

EM

“ *Dear Billy, Chris and Family, I loved your dad and was sorry to hear of his passing. He was a truly amazing person. Our deepest condolences for your loss and heavens gain. Eric McGuire and Family*

Eric McGuire - April 10, 2021 at 01:49 PM

AR

“ *My heartfelt condolences to the Procida family.*

Joe Pro was one of my favorite people on this planet...was lucky enough to have had some funny adventures with him.

*Keep dancing up there Joe...
You are one of a kind.*

Alex Reist

ALEXANDER REIST - April 10, 2021 at 07:05 AM

JE

“ *Joe Procida was definitely Papa Joe to me. I worked with and loved him for 18 years. He had the best sense of humor! I am laughing even as I write this thinking of his jokes. He is now back in Dorothy's loving arms. Love you Papa Joe. Jewel*

JEWEL - April 09, 2021 at 03:40 PM

CA

“ Sending my condolences to the Procida Family. I was Joe's assistant for many years. We had a fantastic relationship, shared the same birthday. He was warm, funny, very smart. He made me laugh all the time he taught me a lot about construction. You are truly miss and never forgotten. You will always have a special place in my heart. Love you Joe. Camille and Family

Camille - April 09, 2021 at 12:48 PM

MR

“ My sincerest condolences to the Procida family. Joe was a man who was larger than life, who's word was his bond and certainly a character who will will be sorely missed. My only customer who felt the need to take better care of me even though I was supposed to entertain him. Wherever he went he made friends.
Rest peacefully Papa Joe.
Mark Reiff long time vendor & friend.

Mark Reiff - April 09, 2021 at 12:15 PM

RM

“ I worked with the Procida's for 10 very fun years. My favorite memories of Joe were when he would come back from several months at Duke(?) after losing 50-100 pounds and we would go to a large Italian lunch on Arthur Avenue to celebrate. My condolences to Mario, Billy, Christine, Joey and the entire Procida family.

Rodney Montag - April 09, 2021 at 11:03 AM

CK

“ *Billy,*

Our sincere condolences to you and your family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you in these difficult times.

*Sincerely,
Charlie Kauffman, Jr.*

charles kauffman - April 09, 2021 at 10:44 AM

SP

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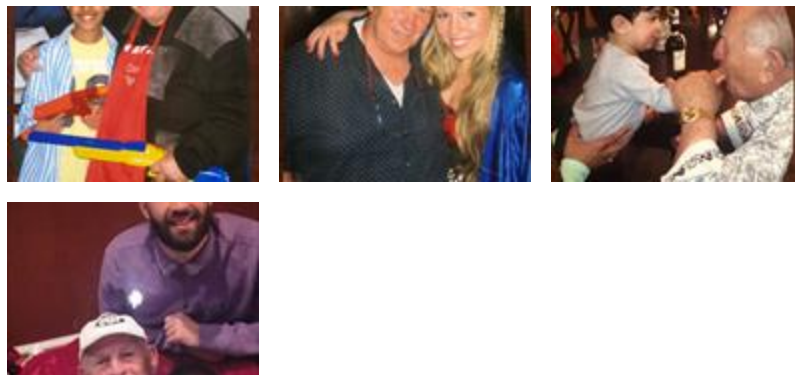
Shaji M Procida - April 09, 2021 at 10:44 AM

TR

“ *Grandpa,*

Thank you for always making us laugh. We love you!

Travis, Mia, Justin & Reis



Travis, Mia, Justin & Reis - April 09, 2021 at 10:36 AM

JB

“ *Billy - My condolences to you and your family.
Sincerely,
Jessica Best
Domus, Inc.*

Jessica Best - April 09, 2021 at 09:09 AM

LB

“ *Our sincerest condolences to the Procida Family. Joe was an excellent person and left a legacy that will live on in all of you.*

From Your Friends at Apex!

Robert Horsford and Lee Brathwaite



Lee Brathwaite - April 09, 2021 at 09:02 AM

JT

“ *My Condolences to the Procida family.
Sincerely, Joe Triscoli*

Joe Triscoli - April 09, 2021 at 07:48 AM

LS

“ *Billy, from your friends down-under, Kat and I offer our heartfelt condolences. Please know that near or far, we are ever grateful for your kindness and offer our unreserved support. We are very sorry for your loss. Lew & Kat Stowe, Australia.*

Lew & Katharina Stowe - April 08, 2021 at 08:58 PM

LL

“ *Lequitia Lumpkin lit a candle in memory of Joseph M Procida*



Lequitia Lumpkin - April 08, 2021 at 08:53 PM

LL

Hi Billy,

I am very sorry for your loss may your father rest in peace. In the days to come may God rain grace and peace upon you and your family.....

Lequitia Lumpkin - April 08, 2021 at 08:55 PM

MM

“ *Billy,*

Please accept my sincere condolences for your loss, and express my condolences to Mario, Christine and Joseph.

I remember many years ago meeting you and your siblings as youngsters beginning to venture out on your own and the pride your father showed for having taught all of you the meaning of success and generosity.

Marvin Mitzner

Marvin Mitzner - April 08, 2021 at 08:33 PM

LR

“ *Billy:*

My thoughts are with you and your family. I am so sorry for your loss. May you find solace in the many great memories you will always have of your dad.

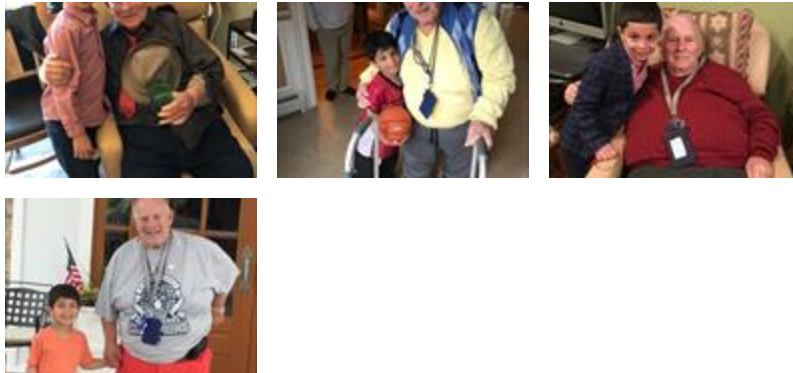
Be well.

Larry Rush

Larry Rush - April 08, 2021 at 05:39 PM

RE

“ *4 files added to the tribute wall*



Reis - April 08, 2021 at 04:52 PM

JD

“ *My heartfelt condolences to Billy and the entire Procida family for the loss beloved Joseph. Clearly an icon,,, and one who will be remembered for how he lived and all whose lives he so touched so deeply.*

John C. Duncan

John C Duncan - April 08, 2021 at 03:44 PM

DS

“ *Condolences to the Procida Family. I am proud to be working for Procida. I answer a lot of the office calls and unofficially have become the Procida Operator. What I can say is that many callers often ask about Joseph M Procida AKA "Papa Joe". Many say how they adore him and that they have fond memories. I wish I had the opportunity to have met "Papa Joe". He built a legacy with Procida Construction, one that his children are doing him proud. Papa Joe may your legacy live on. may you rest in peace.*



*Sincerely,
Deborah Santoni
Administrative Office Assistant*

Deborah Santoni - April 08, 2021 at 03:33 PM

FR

“ *Mario, Billy, Christine and Joseph: Saw Billy's email about your Dad, and wanted to extend my condolences to you and your families. It's been a long time since I hung out in your Bronx office with Joe and Dorothy. Two great people and a great family! Just wanted you to know that I'm thinking about you, Joe and Dorothy. Again my deepest condolences.*

Fred Ringler and Family

Fred Ringler - April 08, 2021 at 02:50 PM

PK

“ *Condolences to the Procida Family on your loss. Paul Kaufman*

Paul Kaufman - April 08, 2021 at 02:03 PM

GP

“ *My condolences to Billy and to the entire Procida family on the loss of your Dad. May his memory always live in your heart and may it bring you joy and live on through you and those who knew him. God rest his soul.*

Gabriel M Pasquale - April 08, 2021 at 01:49 PM

 Frank Belgiovine

“ *On behalf of the Belgiovine Family, we offer our deepest condolences for your loss. May he rest in peace.*

Frank Belgiovine

Frank Belgiovine - April 08, 2021 at 01:33 PM

EC

“ Mario,
My condolences to you and your family, losing any love one hurts,
we will miss them but their passing also reminds all of our own
Morality.

*But I'm sure he will always be in your heart and mind and you'll see
him every time you shave just as I see my own pop.*

*I remember the first time I heard you father scream out at a Bergen
Catholic basketball Game- as I sat on the bench and looked up to
hear the loudest voice in the Gym - he was easy to spot -Large
Cowboy Hat and Big Grin sitting with your little brother ,
Encouraging you and the team as you took a shot at a basket or
passed a touchdown pass- he was your number 1 fan and was a
staple at every game-*

*May God Bless him, rejoice in the knowledge that we will all meet
again.*

Ernie Caponegro BC class of 75

ernest caponegro - April 08, 2021 at 01:32 PM

PS

“ We are very sorry to hear of the loss of your father. But, Oh what a
glorious day it must have been in Heaven as he entered the Gates
of Heaven and saw his Heavenly Father and Savior!
Sending prayers 🙏 and love during this time.
Blessings,
Perry & Carol Sella

Perry J. Sella - April 08, 2021 at 01:26 PM

RL

“ On behalf of the Leonetti Family, we wish to express our condolences for your loss. Joe was certainly the patriarch of the Procida Family. How fortunate we all were to have Uncle Joe in our lives; and even in his latter years, how he lived with style and Grace.

I have many fond memories visiting our grandparents apartment on 7th Street and day trips Mario and I had with Uncle Joe. Imagine going to Coney Island in a T-Bird convertible and the riding the Cyclone at five years old in the same day! Pretty awesome.

He will be sorely missed, but although gone...certainly never to be forgotten. We were all blessed to have him with us for all these years.

*With sympathy,
Bob Leonetti*

Robert Leonetti - April 08, 2021 at 01:24 PM

NM

“ God's peace be with you and your family. I am sorry for your loss. So sorry I never met such a great man.

Noemi Morales - April 08, 2021 at 01:11 PM

MC

“ Condolences to the Procida family

manuela carvalho - April 08, 2021 at 01:09 PM



MyraLynn
Lashes

“ *My heartfelt condolences 🌸 to you Billy and your family. May your memories be enough to wrap your heart with warmth and comfort.
RIP
Myra*

MyraLynn Lashes - April 08, 2021 at 12:58 PM

BR

“ *So sorry Billy. Joe was a lot of fun and I enjoyed him. But that is not to say that he wasn't an astute businessman, I know he taught you a lot. son the pain will ease and the good memories will dominate and that is what he would want. You are in my thoughts.*

Barbara Res - April 08, 2021 at 12:58 PM

JO

“ *My condolences to the Procida family for your loss.*

Jeffrey Otteau - April 08, 2021 at 12:47 PM

JF

“ *Sorry for your loss. Hope you're ok.*

Joey & Crystal

Joe Fernandez - April 08, 2021 at 12:45 PM

MS

“ *My condolences to Billy and to the Procida family on your loss. May his memory always bring you joy, and may his wisdom continue to live on through you and those who knew him. Your family is in my prayers for strength and peace.*

Marcus Saitschenko - April 08, 2021 at 12:38 PM

TK

“ *Very sorry for your loss. My condolences to you and your entire family.*

Teresa M Kenny - April 08, 2021 at 12:28 PM

MR

“ *I am very sorry for your loss. My sincerest condolences to you and your family.*

Max Rosenblum - April 08, 2021 at 12:28 PM

ED

“ *I worked for Mr. Procida (I called him Mr. because he deserved that respect and he was intimidating) offered me a job in his construction company in 1979 when I wanted to learn the construction end of the business as I had just graduated as an architect and just received my license and realized I had no experience in construction and knowledge in what I was drawings. Mr. Procida offered me a job as a field super and personally took me under his wings and gave me the base of my construction knowledge that made me a better architect. Thank you for believing in me and giving me the foundation for my architectural career. I will always be grateful for your knowledge and wisdom you have imparted to me in the 2 short years. May you rest in peace and your memory will always be a blessing*

Eli Dresler - April 08, 2021 at 12:26 PM

BM

“ *Bill; I am sorry to hear of your loss. Parents are unique and precious. May Joseph rest in Peace.. Coincidentally, I was born Jan 11. 1933*

Bill Morgenstein

bill morgenstein - April 08, 2021 at 12:26 PM

AS

“ *Rest in Peace and God Bless, My Condolences to the Procida Family,*

Alfred Sorrentino - April 08, 2021 at 12:24 PM

BP

“ *Bill...so sorry for your loss...my condolences to you and the family. Barney Peters*

Barney Peters - April 08, 2021 at 12:19 PM

DJ

“ *My sincere condolences to the Procida family.*

Des Johnson - April 08, 2021 at 12:14 PM

LL

“ *Condolences to the Procida family from the entire St. Thomas Aquinas College community.*

Linda LoRe - April 08, 2021 at 12:11 PM

LW

“ *May his memory be a blessing.*

Lois Weiss - April 08, 2021 at 12:10 PM

LF

“ *" My Heartfelt Condolences to the entire Procida family"*



Larry Fishman - April 08, 2021 at 12:08 PM

SF

“ *My condolences to the Procida family and their friends.*

Steve Forster - April 08, 2021 at 12:05 PM



“ *Neil Strahl lit a candle in memory of Joseph M Procida*



Neil Strahl - April 08, 2021 at 12:04 PM

NT

“ *I'll always remember coming home after school with Mouse...and Mr.P greeting us with a big smile and hug. He always made everyone feel welcome -
Rest in Peace ❤️*

Nancy (Mulliken) Thompson - April 08, 2021 at 10:03 AM

LR

“ *Procida Family,*

We're so saddened to hear about Joseph's passing. We wish you and your family peace and comfort during this time of mourning. Continue to lean on loved ones and remember all of the wonderful memories you shared together.

Warmest regards,

All of Us at Magnusson Architecture

Lisa Rondon - April 07, 2021 at 09:27 AM

RF

Papa Joe will be sorely missed, but I'll cherish the memories we had together. My condolences to the entire family. May his soul Rest In Peace.

Reuben and Family - April 07, 2021 at 04:11 PM

TZ

*Billy,
My Sills Cummis colleagues and I send our condolences to you and the entire Procida family.
Ted Zangari*

Ted Zangari - April 08, 2021 at 02:52 PM

VN

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Victor Nyborg - April 06, 2021 at 09:06 PM

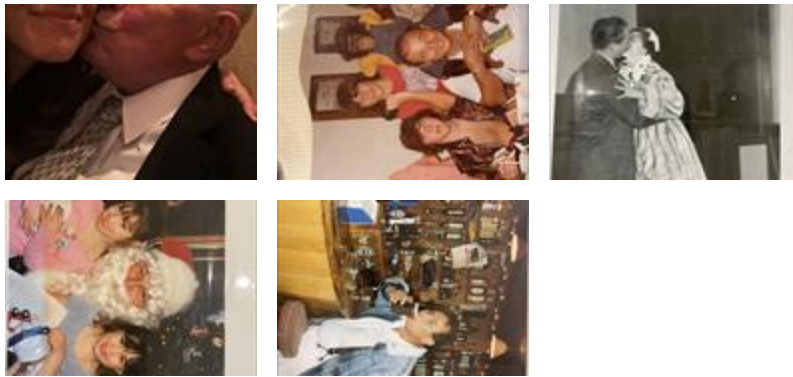
CA

oh Victor, this picture warms my heart. My dad loved all the fishing trips he took with you and the guys! thank you for taking care of him in Cabo! xox we love you <3 and thanks for posting, Christine

christine albericci - April 07, 2021 at 11:12 AM

AL

“ *Some of my favorite pictures of Grandpa. I'll miss you and your big, infectious laugh every day♥️. Give grandma hugs from all of and don't piss her off!!♥️*



Alex - April 05, 2021 at 10:11 PM

CA

grandpa was the best santa ever! <3

christine albericci - April 07, 2021 at 11:13 AM

TO

I am so sorry for the loss of your wonderful father, grandfather and great grandfather. He was a special man. I lost my husband this year and understand the meaning of losing someone you love. My prayers are with your family. Terrie O'Connor

Terrie O'CONNOR - April 08, 2021 at 12:25 PM



*Sorry for your loss and our condolences to you and your family.
Gallucci Family*

Glen Gallucci - April 08, 2021 at 02:39 PM

PF

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Procida Family - April 05, 2021 at 02:19 PM