



## Anthony C Luraschi

April 13, 1941 - October 21, 2021

Anthony C. Luraschi, 80, of North Tonawanda, peacefully passed away Oct. 21 following a brief illness.

Family and faith were important to Tony. He greeted life with a broad smile and a generous heart.

Of all the treasures in this world, there were none so valuable to him as the love and companionship of his wife, Aida, with whom he celebrated 50 years of marriage earlier this year, as well as his daughters, Monica and Amy, and his five grandchildren. He placed the care and comfort of others ahead of himself.

Tony, who had retired from General Motors after 30 years of service, believed in integrity, disciplined work and giving people his very best. One of his great joys was gathering with relatives and friends to break bread for any occasion, especially celebrations — “Just be generous.”

Tony was especially amused by the range of animal visitors freely roaming between his back doorstep and the woods nearby.

He was an avid reader and also loved crossword puzzles, Sunday drives and traveling. He enjoyed watching his Buffalo teams.

In all things, Tony was grounded in prayer and devoted to his Catholic faith.

He was the beloved son of Constance (Grasso) and Carlo Luraschi, husband of Aida (Meza), father of Monica (Joe) Thomas and Amy Luraschi (Timothy Trump) and grandfather of Andy, Ella, Susie and Henry Thomas and Isabelle Trump. He was the brother of Elizabeth Heine and John Luraschi and brother-

in-law of Maria (Richard) Martinez, David Meza, Diana (Russell) Scott, Marta (John) Juslin, Lupita Tabita, Ralph (Salli) Meza and Mark Heine. Tony also had many nieces, nephews and cousins.

A private celebration of life will be held. In lieu of flowers, the family encourages donations to the SPCA.

# Cemetery Details

## **Mount Olivet Cemetery**

4000 Elmwood Avenue  
Town Tonawanda, NY 14120

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Life is like a journey on a train: The mystery to everyone is: we do not know at which station we ourselves will step down. We must live in the best way, love, give the best of ourselves, and forgive. It is important to do this because when the time comes for us to step down and leave our seat empty, we should leave behind beautiful memories for those who must travel on the train of life without us. In our sorrow of seeing the empty seat, we are thankful for the journey with Tony on the train and memories of yesteryear; we will honor your life and soul forever. Saturday, October 30; All Souls Mass will be celebrated at 5:00 pm; a candle will be carried to the altar bearing Tony's name. The light of his life will shine our path always.*  
*Aunt Frances and Uncle Russell Scott*

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**Diana F. Scott** - October 29, 2021 at 11:47 AM

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“ *With heavy heart and sadness, my deepest condolences to my sister Aida, nieces Monica and Amy, grandchildren and Luraschi Family. May God Bless them with strength and comfort.*  
*Love, Lupita*



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**Lupita Tabita** - October 28, 2021 at 04:57 PM

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“ Our deepest and sincere condolences to my sister Aida, nieces Monica, Amy, their families and the Luraschi Family. Tony was a quiet spiritual person who will always be remembered as a caring husband, father and grandfather.

*I reflect back and still see him sitting at my mothers patio working away at the crossword puzzles. God bless you Tony, with all our love.*

*Rafael, Celia, Celeste Meza  
Brawley, Ca.*



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**Rafael Meza** - October 27, 2021 at 01:41 PM

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“ God bless him and his beautiful family. I'm thankful to have known him in life and benefit from his gift of his daughter's friendship in my youth.



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**Dom Cottone** - October 27, 2021 at 07:53 AM

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**Susie** - October 25, 2021 at 05:14 PM

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“ When Amy and I were 12. I married Cookie Monster in the Luraschi living room. It was the the event of the year. The veil, the cupcakes. A recording of Amy pretending to be the priest. I remember Mr. Luraschi sitting among the stuffed toy guests reading his newspaper. Letting us invade his space with our silly antics. As an adult I now see he was one of the few men in my childhood who let me be me. I will cherish my childhood memories made in the Luraschi home. I am thankful for the bond with the family. Tony will be missed but forever cherished.

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**Cory Rozewicz** - October 24, 2021 at 11:16 AM