



James Vincent Gatto

October 2, 1923 - January 16, 2016

James V Gatto(Jim) passed away peacefully at Hope Hospice with his beloved wife, of 69 years, at his bedside on January 16, 2016. His wife, Bess sang to him in his final moments. Besides Bess he is survived by three children, Linda Gibney and her spouse, Bill of Sanibel, FI and Rye, NH, James V Gatto and his spouse, Sharon of Lakeway, TX and Christine Toscano and her spouse Joseph of Huntington, NY. He had six grandchildren, James L Gatto, Stefanie Clegg and spouse Michael, Kimberly Gibney, Will Gibney, Lori and Joseph Toscano. He also loved dearly his eight great grandchildren. He also leaves his younger brother, Samuel Gatto of Marlboro, NY. Jim was born in Heilwood, PA, October 2, 1923, to Salvatore and Theresa Gatto. As a young boy, with seven brothers and four sisters, they moved to Huntington, NY. Jim joined the Navy right out of high school and was assigned to the Naval Air corps. He was an aviation radioman during WW11 overseas. Jim was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and four air medals. After

leaving the Navy, he started a band, with his wife Bess as singer and Jim on the guitar. Jim also taught guitar to many young students. Jim worked in the aircraft industry, with the majority of his career as a configuration analyst, for Grumman Aircraft in Bethpage, NY. In his retirement years, Jim and Bess brought their music to nursing homes and children's centers, in Fort Myers, FL and Wolfeboro, NH. Most recently Jim and his wife lived on Sanibel, FI.

Through Jim's life he was a member of American Legion, VFW and II Caregivers of Wolfeboro, NH.

We will miss his quick wit and his ready smile. There will be a celebration of Jim's life on February, 26, 2016, 11am at St. Isabel's Catholic Church, Sanibel, FI.

Tribute Wall



“ *James Vincent Gatto*

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