



Mr. John I. Mascari

February 17, 1921 - December 26, 2017

John I. Mascari, 96, of Asheville passed away on Tuesday, December 26, 2017. A native of Asheville, John was the son of the late Charles and Mary Mercurio Mascari. He was also preceded in death by his beloved wife of 40 years, Wilhelmina Davis Mascari.

John was the owner of Stop and Shop on Haywood Street where he sold imported fancy foods. An avid sports fan, he played tennis until the age of 86. A veteran of the US Navy having served in WWII, John was a lifelong member of the Basilica of St. Lawrence and St. Eugene's Catholic Church. He was also a long time member of the Knights of Columbus.

John is survived by his three children, Kitty Mascari Kelekci and Jim and Jack Mascari all of Asheville. He is also survived by his five grandchildren, John, Deniz and Michael and Kelekci, Kinsley Mascari and Isabel Mascari; and two great grandchildren, Leyla and Arianna Kelekci.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, December 30, 2017 at 10:30 AM at the Basilica of St. Lawrence with the Very Rev. Wilbur N. Thomas officiating. Burial will follow at Lewis Memorial Park. The family will receive friends at Morris Funeral Home, 304 Merrimon Ave., on Friday, December 29th from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM with a Rosary Service at 7:00 PM.

In lieu of flowers the family asks memorial donations in John's name may be made to a charity of one's choice.

Cemetery Details

Lewis Memorial Park

415 Beaverdam Road
Asheville, NC 28804

Previous Events

Family will Receive Friends

DEC **29**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Morris Funeral & Cremation Care
304 Merrimon Ave.
Asheville, NC 28801
(828) 252-1821
info@morrisfamilycare.com
<http://www.morrisfamilycare.com>

Rosary

DEC **29**. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Mass

DEC **30**. 10:30 AM (ET)

Basilica of St. Lawrence
97 Haywood St.
Asheville, NC 28801
<http://saintlawrencebasilica.org/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Morris Funeral & Cremation Care created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. John I. Mascari*



Morris Funeral Home - December 29, 2017 at 01:34 PM



“ *Mr. John I. Mascari*

October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



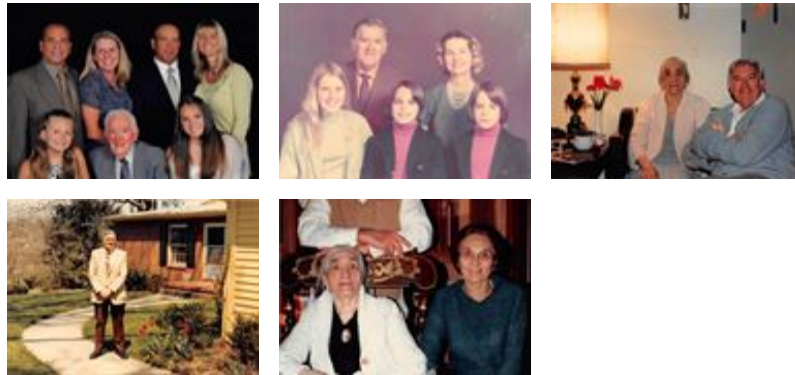
“ *Mack C. purchased the Fruit Abounds for the family of Mr. John I. Mascari.*



Mack C. - December 29, 2017 at 01:51 PM



“ 24 files added to the album Life Tributes



Morris Funeral Home - December 29, 2017 at 12:33 PM



“ Sally Roberts lit a candle in memory of Mr. John I. Mascari



Sally Roberts - December 28, 2017 at 07:40 PM



Mr. Mascari was always kind and thoughtful. His love of tennis was inspiring and the live between the Mascari's is amazing. A truly loved man.

Sally Roberts - December 28, 2017 at 07:42 PM



My wife and I have known the Mascaris for over 50 years and I never in my life knew a better person and Gentleman. We used to play bridge when Willie was with us, so many great memories. I could go on and on about this great family and i will miss seeing him and I will pray for John's family during this period.

Love Mack and Pat Cox

Mack Cox - December 29, 2017 at 01:37 PM

JL

“ I have no memories of Mr. Mascari. I wish I had known him. Knowing Jack and Jim tells me everything I need to know about this man. He must've been one of the truly special ones.

Jack Lovingood - December 28, 2017 at 04:47 PM

SL

“ Shannon Lackey purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Mr. John I. Mascari.



Shannon Lackey - December 28, 2017 at 12:28 PM

CL

“ All my love John Jim and Jack ❤️

Cristan Leigh - December 28, 2017 at 10:49 AM

GC

“ Sending love to all the Mascari family at this time. Growing up in north Asheville, I remember Kitty and the twins from St. Genevieve. From the Moore family, we send our condolences. Sincerely,
Georgina Chesky aka Georgia Moore

gm chesky - December 28, 2017 at 08:57 AM

KH

“ Our thoughts and prayers to your family for your loss! We will be praying for God to give you comfort during this most difficult time.

Karen & AJ Haney

Karen Haney - December 28, 2017 at 06:56 AM

KH

“ Kenneth Hensley purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. John I. Mascari.




Kenneth Hensley - December 28, 2017 at 02:04 AM

CH

“ Uncle John was great. He truly enjoyed and embraced life. His compassion and enthusiasm was electric and contagious. Watching baseball with him was learning and fun at its best. Our thoughts and prayers are with yall cousins Kitty, Jack and Jim and your families.

Chip - December 27, 2017 at 10:16 PM

 Dustin Jones

“ Jack and Jim my family and I send our love and prayers to you. I'm sorry for your loss. I will say a prayer for you tonight as I always do every night. Love you Jack and Jim
Love,
Dustin



Dustin Jones - December 27, 2017 at 09:11 PM

 Jeff Collins

“ Jeff Collins lit a candle in memory of Mr. John I. Mascari



Jeff Collins - December 27, 2017 at 08:40 PM



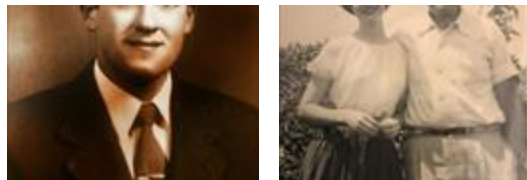
“ *Dana Chamberlain lit a candle in memory of Mr. John I. Mascari*



Dana Chamberlain - December 27, 2017 at 08:36 PM



“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Jack Mascari - December 27, 2017 at 08:02 PM



“ *I remember seeing Mr Mascari in his tennis shorts headed to the tennis court long after most folks his age were just watching it on TV! RIP*



Danny Phillips - December 27, 2017 at 02:49 PM