



# **Antonio P. Lonardo, Jr.**

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**A**ntonio Lonardo Jr. of Methuen, died peacefully in his home, with his wife Lucia of 53 years at his side, on Saturday, January 3, 2009. He was 76 years old. Born the second child of Italian immigrants Antonio Sr. and Felicia in Lawrence, Massachusetts 1932, he was educated in the public school system, served the Korean conflict in the U.S. Navy and resided in Lawrence and Methuen his entire life. He is also survived by his eldest son Mark, a son Bruce, and a daughter Lisa Marie, grandchildren Victoria, Michael and Larissa, one brother Ricardo and one sister Mary Ann. Shortly after military discharge in the mid 1950's, he abandoned traditional opportunities in his career search to pursue a fascination with the infantile field of computer programming in which he blossomed, becoming a pioneer and leader in the field. Constant innovation and pursuit of excellence were the hallmark of a nearly four decade career serving the United States Treasury's Internal Revenue Service. His list of achievements, innovations and awards, many directly from Washington DC, would be too numerous to mention. His last salute came in the late 1990's, nearly ten years into his retirement, as a request from the federal government to assist in any way with the impending Y2K problem. The progression of Parkinson's disease prevented a reply and more than likely a solution. How a brilliant, yet simple, first generation Italian-American could carve himself so deeply and technically into the Treasury of the United States reigns testament to the opportunity present in the America he loved and served and to those who seek knowledge. He and his achievements, along with his selfless service to family, friends and country will be remembered forever by those who had the privilege of knowing and loving him. Contributions can be made in his name to Merrimack Valley Hospice 360 Merrimack Street, Lawrence, MA. 01843 in support of the outstanding service they provided him. A memorial mass will be announced at a later date.



## Tribute Wall

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GI

**Gina** posted:

My deepest sympathy to Tony's loving daughter, Lisa Marie. I know that it was a terrible blow to you to not have been with your father at the time he left this world, but know that he is heaven watching over you and your beautiful children. You were a wonderful daughter, and gave him all you were able to in his life. I know that he will forever be smiling down upon you, and that he is resting in eternal peace with Jesus. Again, Lisa, I am so terribly sorry that you have lost your father. You, Mike, Mikey, and Larissa are in my prayers. Remember Lisa, that love is the strongest emotion there is, and it never ever dies.

March 7 at 8:00 PM

LP

**Lisa (Lonardo) Piessens** posted:

Well Dad, I love you and always will. You will be in my heart forever and your memory will be kept alive through your beautiful grandson and granddaughter. Now you are in our hearts forever and always. Love, Lisa Marie

March 7 at 8:00 PM

DA

**Diana Zangari (Assad)** posted:

My deepest sympathy to Luci and her family. Diana

March 7 at 8:00 PM

LP

**Lisa (Lonardo) Piessens** posted:

Dad, Rest in peace.

March 7 at 8:00 PM

MP

**Michele Poirier** posted:

Mark, I am so sorry about the passing of you dad. Please accept my and my families condolences. Please know I will be keeping you and your family in my prayers. Michele Poirier

March 7 at 8:00 PM



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**Nevins Adult Day Health Center** posted:

Lucy, All of us here, at Nevins, remember Tony with such great fondness. He was a favorite of all of us, but you knew that didn't you Lucy? Our prayers are with you now Lucy for anyone who knows you, knows how much you did to make his life a little easier. You have our deepest sympathy, The staff at Nevins Day Care

March 7 at 8:00 PM



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