



## John George Deck Sr.

April 8, 1938 - October 10, 2013

Heading: John G. Deck, Sr.

Dateline: Greer

John George Deck, Sr., 75, a devoted, loving husband, father and Papa, passed away peacefully October 10, 2013, surrounded by his family for whom he had a great love.

A native of Port Chester, NY, known by his PC friends as "Yosh," he was the son of the late George and Bertha Fus Deck, a PC Senior High 1956 Graduate, a retired employee after 32 years at the Port Chester Post Office and a member of the Prince of Peace Catholic Church. John was offered a full basketball scholarship to Rutgers University, which he turned down to enlist in the US Marine Corps, where he served at Parris Island and Camp LeJeune. He later served on a six month Mediterranean Cruise. John also excelled in baseball and bowling and he loved to golf. He was a member of the Polish Club and Elks Club of Port Chester, NY.

Surviving are his wife of 51 years, Joanne Tomacelli Deck of the home; a daughter, Jodi LaValla and her husband, Richard of Greenville; a son, John G. Deck, Jr. and his wife, Whitney of Simpsonville, and four grandchildren, Amanda and Michael LaValla, Andrew and Todd Deck.

The Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, October 19th, at 10 a.m. at Prince of Peace Catholic Church, conducted by Father Christopher Smith.

The family will welcome guests immediately following the Funeral Mass at

Prince of Peace Croghan Hall and later at his home.

The family would like to thank Drs. John Huggins, Michael Towler, Wayne Hollinger, Tony Messer, Steven Sahn, and Open Arms Hospice nurses and staff, and Bon Secours St. Francis Hospital "Downtown" nurses and staff.

In Lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to The Coalition for Pulmonary Fibrosis, 10866 W. Washington Blvd #343, Culver City, CA 90232 or online at [www.coalitionforpf.org/contribute-today](http://www.coalitionforpf.org/contribute-today).

Online condolences may be made to [www.thewoodmortuary.com](http://www.thewoodmortuary.com).

# Previous Events

## Service

OCT 19. 10:00 AM (ET)

Prince of Peace  
1209 Brushy Creek Road  
Taylors, SC 29687

## Visitation

OCT 19. 10:30 AM (ET)

Prince of Peace - Croghan Hall  
1209 Brushy Creek Road  
Taylors, SC 29687

# Tribute Wall

PL

“ A beautiful loving family just lost their husband, father, papa, & best friend. John, i will always remember our friendship, & baseball days in Port Chester. You were truly blessed when Joanne came your way. The good lord gave you 51 happy years to share each other. You rewarded him with such a beautiful family. Be Blessed Jo. Love to all. R.I.P John.  
Pete & Sara LaBella

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**Pete LaBella** - October 30, 2013 at 01:02 PM

FJ

*Dear Joanne and Family,  
We wish to extended our deepest sympathy for your loss. John was a very good person, and will missed.  
Sincerely, Frank, Richard, Jackie and Carol Raffa*

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**Frank P. Raffa, Jr.** - January 07, 2014 at 02:41 PM

JD

*Dear Pete and Sara, a beautiful, loving, and sincere message. Thank you so much. Love U! Joanne and family...*

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**Joanne Deck** - May 01, 2014 at 06:50 PM

AC

“ *Dear Joanne & Family:  
Our deepest sympathy to you all... So sorry to hear of the loss of John, may he rest in peace... Our thoughts and prayers are with you... Sincerely, Anne & Frank Calipa*

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**Anne & Frank Calipa** - October 19, 2013 at 09:30 PM

SO

“ *My thoughts & prayers are with you and your family.*  
*Sonya Sullivan*  
*Greenville Marriott Hotel*

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**Sonya** - October 18, 2013 at 08:17 PM

KG

“ *Dear Joanne, Jodi and John,*  
*Where do we begin to express our deepest sympathy to all of you....Yosh was our best man at our wedding, he and Joanne are our son's godparents, our children grew up together. We share so many happy memories, dances at the Elks Club, cookouts at Pete's house, and your backyard in PC, weddings, Jodi and our John at Angela's wedding, but most of all the friendship we have had all these years, that is something I will treasure forever. Sam was so thrilled to see the both of you at his 80th party, and the time we got to spend together. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you, he was a wonderful person who will be missed by all who knew him, we loved him, God bless him.*

*Kathy and Sam*

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**Kathryn Gargonne** - October 13, 2013 at 10:32 PM

 Jodi  
LaValla

“ *1 file added to the album Family Memories*



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**Jodi LaValla** - October 13, 2013 at 04:51 PM

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**Jodi LaValla** - October 13, 2013 at 04:50 PM

AN

*Beautiful Family Photo. Anne Calipa*

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**Anne** - October 19, 2013 at 09:31 PM

JL

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Jodi LaValla** - October 13, 2013 at 04:31 PM