



## Robert A. Sbarbaro

January 24, 1933 - June 14, 2018

Robert A. Sbarbaro “Bob” on June 14, 2018 of Woodbury, formerly of Brooklyn, NY, Montvale, NJ and Manasquan, NJ. Age 85. Husband of Kathleen Ann (nee Noonan). Father of Robert Sbarbaro (JoAnne) of Harrington Park, NJ, Paul Sbarbaro (Katherine) of Todd, NC and Nancy Mittleman (Marty) of Mullica Hill. Brother of Carol Gavel (Frank) of Wilton, CT. Grandfather of Michael, Rachel, Victoria, Olivia and Jake. Great-grandfather of Colton and Michael.

Bob had many loves in his life – first and foremost was his wife Katie who he met when she was only 16 years old while crashing a gathering at the ice cream parlor on the other side of town as his ice cream parlor was being remodeled. His love for her was evidenced by overlooking her menagerie of animals, and by allowing her to dress him up like Howdy Doody and take him square dancing every Thursday night. His other loves included reading the NY Post accompanied by a Thomas’ English muffin with half a stick of butter and a cup of coffee, yelling “ya jerk” at other motorists and power napping.

In 1950 Bob walked through the doors to Wagner College and became a lifelong Seahawk. He received his undergraduate degree in History in 1954, his postgraduate degree in 1977, returned to his alma matter to serve on the Board of Trustees from 1986 to 1998, and received the Wagner Alumni Achievement Award in 1987.

Bob was a Korean War Navy veteran, although he got queasy on ships and would get seasick in the bathtub. He was lucky to be able to spend much of his service playing his chosen sport - baseball, and continued to play well into his 70's.

His early career was spent at IBM, Univac and Computax working on the very first computer. The majority of his career was spent at Irving Trust Company/Bank of New York where he had a swanky office on the corner of Wall Street and Broadway which his family loved to frequent during ticker tape parades.

Bob was active in his community serving on the Montvale Recreation committee, the Pascack Hills High School Parents Association, the Knights of Columbus and the Board of the Allington Towers Condo Association which was lovingly referred to as "Del Boca Vista".

His fashion sense was unparalleled. While he wore suits to work, when he arrived home he donned "the uniform", which consisted of a white T-shirt and paint stained plaid shorts. Later in life the uniform morphed into Dockers khaki pants, varying colors of Under Armor collared shirts and Rockport slippers.

He had a refined taste in foods and would only eat whatever was put in front of him as long as he didn't have to make it. His favorite meal was a frankfurter (not a hotdog, a frankfurter) with sauerkraut and mustard – only spicy brown would do, and it should be washed down with a Boylan's birch beer.

In his later years, he spent his time watching Fox News at maximum volume while providing his own colorful commentary. He made yelling at the TV an art form, especially when watching his beloved NY Giants and NY Mets where he berated them about how lousy they were ("they're all bums") pretty much

every year except 1986. And while he was not usually happy with the players or the coaches, it was the referees who really bore the brunt of his wrath, whether watching professional sports or little league.

Relatives and friends are invited to a visitation on Monday, June 18, 2018 from 9am to 11am in The Chapel at BOUCHER FUNERAL HOME, 1757 Delsea Dr., Deptford, NJ 08096.

Funeral Service 11am Monday in the Chapel at the funeral home. Interment with military honors will be at the Gloucester County Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Williamstown.

In lieu of flowers, a tribute gift may be made in Bob's memory to The Seeing Eye, P.O. Box 375 Morristown, NJ 07963 or at [www.seeingeye.org](http://www.seeingeye.org).

For directions, to sign online guest book and to view Bob's Video Tribute visit [www.boucherfuneralhome.com](http://www.boucherfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Gloucester County Veterans Memorial Cemetery

240 S. Tuckahoe Road  
Williamstown, NJ 08094  
(856) 401-7660

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUN 18.** 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

The Chapel at Boucher Funeral Home, LLC  
1757 Delsea Drive  
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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & Gloucester County Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert A. Sbarbaro*



**Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & County Cremation Service** - June 15, 2018 at 04:59 PM



“ *Robert A. Sbarbaro*

November 27, 2022 at 03:45 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Robert A. Sbarbaro.*



June 19, 2018 at 05:18 PM



“ *I did not know you. BUT THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE! God bless you and your family!*

**Brenda Coats** - June 18, 2018 at 06:59 PM

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“ Nancy, I got to know your mom when we were on the Mediterranean Cruise but I got to know your dad when you visited Ann on Christmas Eve a couple of years. I enjoyed our talks. He was funny and had a sense of humor. I'm so sorry for your loss and you and your family are in my prayers. Love, Joan Sheehan

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**Joan Sheehan** - June 18, 2018 at 08:11 AM

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“ "Uncle Bob" I remember a lot of fun times at Lake Hopatkong so many great childhood memories at your lake house-you driving the boat in kings cove. Visiting Florida and seeing you and Aunt Kate. The Noonan reunions with the softball game as the headliner. Ans soo many more. You will surely be missed. You Aunt Kate and my parents enjoying the retired life at Allington Towers.  
Love Cathy & Dave DiOrio

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**Catherine DiOrio** - June 17, 2018 at 07:42 PM



“ 2 files added to the album LifeTributes



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**Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & County Cremation Service** - June 17, 2018 at 11:58 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Robert A. Sbarbaro.



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June 16, 2018 at 10:51 PM



“ *Love, Frank, Carol, Andrea and Jim* purchased the *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* for the family of Robert A. Sbarbaro.



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**Love, Frank, Carol, Andrea and Jim** - June 16, 2018 at 02:14 PM



“ *60 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & County Cremation Service** - June 15, 2018 at 03:54 PM

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“ We were so sorry to hear of Mr. Sbarbaro's passing. What a wonderful life and family he had. I have so many great memories of times at the Sbarbaro home, while on college breaks and afterward, with all the fun times and great Italian-Irish food and good cheer. He will certainly be missed and we thank him for serving our country.  
*Pam, Wally, and Ryan*

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**Pam Goodman** - June 15, 2018 at 02:04 PM