



Vito Tinelli, Jr.

March 17, 1934 - May 23, 2011

Vito Tinelli, Jr. of Chestertown, MD passed away on May 23, 2011 in Chestertown. He was 77.

Born in Dundalk, MD on March 17, 1934, he was the son of the late Vito Tinelli Sr. and Mary Caruso Tinelli. A 1952 graduate of Dundalk High, he attended Kansas State University and then graduated Magna Cum Laude from The University of Maryland School of Pharmacy in 1960. He was president of his college class and the National Honor Society.

He married Mary Ellen Shirley Long at St. Rita's Catholic Church in Dundalk in 1959. Following his graduation from the University of Maryland school of Pharmacy, they moved to Chestertown, Maryland where he joined his brother-in-law Alphonse Poklis full time at Chestertown Pharmacy. "Doc" Tinelli owned and operated Chestertown Pharmacy for almost five decades.

In addition to his wife of 51 years, he is survived by his daughters: Christine and Felicia; sons: Michael, Joseph, Geoffrey, Andrew, and Vito III. He is also survived by a sister Julia Rose and twelve grandchildren: Phillip, Nichole, Charles, Geoffrey, Alex, Lauren, Rachel, Sarah, Michael, Elana, Anya, and John Paul. He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather.

He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, the Frank M. Jarman American Legion Post #36 in Chestertown, and served four terms on the Chestertown Town Council.

A Mass will be held Friday, May 27, 2011 at 10:00 AM at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, High Street, Chestertown, MD. Relatives and friends may

gather on Thursday, May 26th between the hours of 2:00 and 4:00, and again from 6:00 and 8:00 PM at Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Funeral Home, 130 Speer Road Chestertown, MD. Interment will be in Chester Cemetery, Chestertown, MD. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Kent Center, 215 Scheeler Road, Chestertown, MD 21620.

Previous Events

Service

MAY 27. 10:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church
508 High Street
Chestertown, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Vito Tinelli, Jr.*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - June 16, 2020 at 09:44 AM



“ *Vito Tinelli, Jr.*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Vito Tinelli, Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Vito Tinelli, Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM

JC

“ My Uncle Vito was a remarkable man. My early childhood was shared by him. We live with his mother and father, my grandparents. He was always caring toward my sister Mary and myself and thought us about God and being the best person we could be. He made sure my sister and myself needed nothing after the death of our grandmother. He was the youngest of our uncles, but our hero. Uncle "Gee", as we called him will be missed greatly by us both. Enjoy you heavenly home and time with your parents and siblings in heaven.

John V. Creech - June 13, 2022 at 03:08 PM



“ My mother lived to be 101 and she always said it was because her friend knew the right medicine for her ,We are proud of our family druggist.Thanks for the years of a job well done.##imported-begin##Jean silcox Baldwin##imported-end##

May 28, 2011 at 04:15 PM



“ To the Tinelli Family: Our deepest sympathy and thoughts are with you in your loss. May God give you the strength and love to face each new day. Cherish the memories you have in your hearts forever. God Bless your family. Our prayers are with you. Gene and Lynda Palmatary, 221 Hope Road, Centreville, Md.##imported-begin##Lynda Palmatary##imported-end##

May 28, 2011 at 10:04 AM



“ We wish to express our condolences to Shirley and family. Diane and I had the pleasure of knowing Vito for many years both in business and for pleasure. Such a nice person. He will certainly be missed by us.##imported-begin##Allan & Diane Posner##imported-end##

May 27, 2011 at 05:07 PM



“ I am saddened by your loss.Please accept my condoleces.He was avery caring person.He will be missed.##imported-begin##Sandra Crawford##imported-end##

May 27, 2011 at 07:59 AM



“ Dear Tinelli family -
Tony and I are saddened by Doc's passing. He was a wonderful and caring person that will be missed by all in the community. We send our very deepest sympathy to all of you at this time.##imported-begin##Donna Gibbons-Neff##imported-end##

May 26, 2011 at 10:37 AM



“ Dear Shirley and family,
Sorry to hear the sad news about Vito. I was glad to see him at our 59th lunch, we all had a great time together and good fellowship. At this time of loss May you know...
His compassion, His grace, His love,
May the love of God surround you during this time of sorrow.
You're in our thoughts and prayers
Love and Friendship,
Bob and Phyllis##imported-begin##Phyllis Wagner Betz##imported-end##

May 26, 2011 at 08:55 AM



“ Will miss seeing his friendly face at the pharmacy. He was a real good man and know he will be missed by all.
Barbara Bozarth##imported-begin##Barbara Bozarth##imported-end##

May 25, 2011 at 08:27 PM



“ Please know that my heart aches for your loss. Doc was not only a wonderful man with the most giving heart of anyone I have ever met....he was also like a father to me!!! I was so fortunate to have him as a role model and mentor as well as blessed to have him be a special part of my life.##imported-begin##Patricia Williams Scott##imported-end##

May 25, 2011 at 03:07 PM



“ Dear Tinelli's
Your family is in our thoughts and prayers. I always enjoyed seeing Doc in the grocery store where we shared laughs about Vito and Christopher's antics and news of their families. Thank you for all of your kindnesses to Christopher. Please know that we hold your family in our hearts always and are so sorry for your loss with much love
Pat and Lawson Smith###imported-begin##Pat Smith###imported-end##

May 25, 2011 at 02:53 PM



“ I want to express my deepest and most heartfelt sympathy. Doc was a wonderful person and a great boss. May the peace which comes from the memories of love shared, comfort you now and in the days ahead.###imported-begin##Gail Durham###imported-end##

May 25, 2011 at 11:13 AM



“ Peggy and I want to express our condolences on the loss of Mr. Tinelli. We always enjoyed seeing him and Mrs. Tinelli during the holidays and such. He was a kind gentleman that loved his family dearly and always seemed interested in what was going on in the lives of others. We know he will be missed by many, and our heartfelt sympathy goes out to his loved ones.###imported-begin##Brent Lewis###imported-end##

May 25, 2011 at 09:44 AM



“ Vito, Mrs. Tinelli, Andy, and the whole family...sending prayers your way. So sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Debbie Spence##imported-end##

May 24, 2011 at 10:40 PM



“ To the family of Doc. As you all know what a great legend he was to Kent County. Doc will always be remembered for being generous, kind and always thinking of the others and how to help them. Always putting someone before him. I never saw Doc without a smile. Your family has so many memories that will live on in your lives forever. God Bless each of you and keep you in His care. Prayers and thoughts are with all of you at this time.##imported-begin##Peggy States Edwards##imported-end##

May 24, 2011 at 10:14 PM



“ Sorry Vito, almost forgot you in the list of kids. Thinking of you too. :)##imported-begin##Scott and Jill##imported-end##

May 24, 2011 at 09:17 PM



“ Doc Tinelli.... thanks for letting me grow up in your house! Mrs. Tinelli, Joey, Geoff, Chris, Felicia, Michael, Andy...so sorry to hear of Doc's passing. We are thinking of you all. Love, Scott and Jill##imported-begin##Scott and Jill Bramble##imported-end##

May 24, 2011 at 09:14 PM



“ *May Vito rest in peace and God watch over him. I am saddened to hear of his death thru classmate Phyllis Wagner-Betz. I was the Senior Class Sponsor for his Dundalk High School graduating class of 1952. I will pray for his soul at Sunday Mass.*

Jim Chrissis###imported-begin##James W. Chrissis###imported-end##

May 24, 2011 at 08:16 PM



“ *The Tinelli family,*

Doc was the best, a good employer and a good friend. His silliness could really make us laugh. He had a generous and very kind heart. My heart goes out to all of you. He will be missed by so many, a blessing to all who knew him. May God hold each of you in the palms of his hands. Suzanne###imported-begin##Suzanne Skinner###imported-end##

May 24, 2011 at 05:54 PM



“ *Vito and Family:*

We are really sorry to hear about your father. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Jack and Sylvia Christian###imported-begin##Sylvia Christian###imported-end##

May 24, 2011 at 05:14 PM

JC

I will miss my Uncle Vito. He was always there, at our family home , when my sister Mary and I were growing up. Aunt Shirley and my cousins my prayers are with each of you now and always. I am truly sorry I can't be in Maryland with you all at this time. God's Blessings and protection always.

*John Vito Cteech
Nephew*

John Vito Creech - February 19, 2018 at 01:15 AM