



Antonio Manna

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Born in Naples, Italy to Maria and Mario Manna, Tony grew up with five brothers (Luigi, Carmine, Armando, Giuseppe and Pasquale) and one sister (Lydia). As a child, he loved to play soccer. He grew up to become a skilled machinist, a tool and die maker by trade. In his mid 20s, he migrated to the United States, learned to speak English, and met his wife Susan on a New York City subway.

Susan and Tony built a wonderful life together, recently celebrating 56 years of marriage. Together, they raised their three daughters (Michelle, Danielle & Jennifer) in Brooklyn, NY. Tony worked two full time jobs while his children were young, in addition to being the neighborhood handyman. He was blessed with three sons in law (Chris, Lance and Sal) who he loved like his own. His favorite role was being grandfather to Chris, Matthew, James, Jessie and Brooke. Most recently, he was so happy to add Amanda, Matthew's wife, to his family.

Tony retired from the MTA after 20 Years of service working at the Brooklyn Battery Tunnel, Marine Parkway Bridge and Verrazano Bridge. He was awarded a Heroic Service Award for his efforts in responding to the World Trade Center attack on 9/11. In 1978, he assisted in saving the life of a suicidal pedestrian on the Verrazano Bridge and received an award for his heroism. He maintained life long friendships with his coworkers. After he relocated to North Carolina in 2004, he built lasting friendships with many. He spent his retirement years watching his grandchildren grow, attending all their sporting events, playing bocce with his neighbors and poker with his friends.

Tony was best known for his generous nature. If you saw him at Starbucks, he bought you coffee. If you came to his house, you left with cookies. If you were sick, he brought you a homemade Italian meal. He never hesitated to lend a hand or help someone in need. The most important thing in his life was his family. There wasn't anything he wouldn't do for his family and friends. He often had visits from his out of state nieces and nephews, his brother and sisters in law, and even his relatives flew in from Italy to spend time with him. "Uncle Tony" was admired, the rock of the family, a second father to many, the one everyone could depend on.



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After surviving cancer two times, he lost his battle with Parkinson's disease on 7/11/25.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations in his memory to Tunnels to Towers, an organization that supports the families of 9/11, which was near to his heart. Online at <https://t2t.org/>

Tony lived a full life to the age of 84 and left lasting impressions on all of us. He taught us all, through his actions, to be selfless and giving, to support others, to be courageous and helpful, and to love all. We are forever grateful for his actions and we know that no one will ever forget Tony Manna.

A Celebration of Tony's Life Service will be held at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, July 26, 2025 at James Funeral Home. The family will receive friends from 12 p.m. until service time.

Services will be livestreamed at <https://www.jamesfuneralhomelkn.com/obituaries/antonio-manna>

Online condolences may be made at <https://www.jamesfuneralhomelkn.com>.






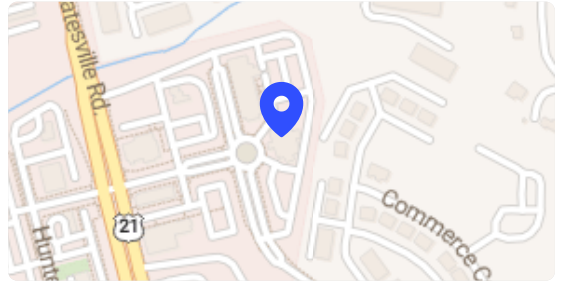
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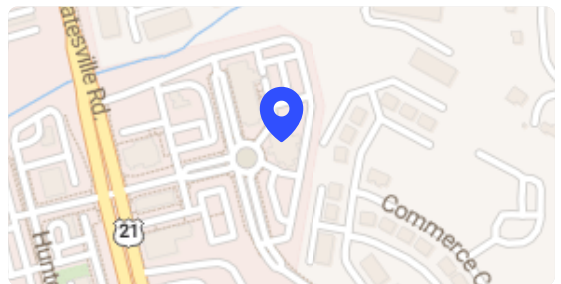
Visitation

-  **Saturday, July 26, 2025**
-  12:00 PM - 1:00 PM ET
-  **James Funeral Home**
10520 Arahova Dr, Huntersville NC 28078







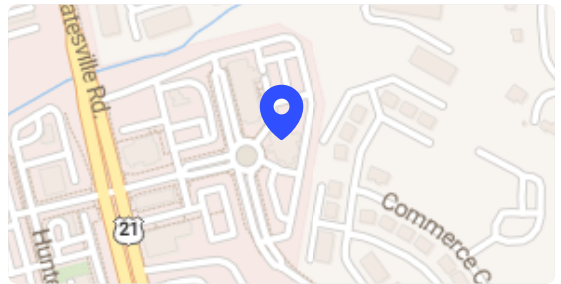
Celebration of Life

-  **Saturday, July 26, 2025**
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Livestream

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Tribute Wall

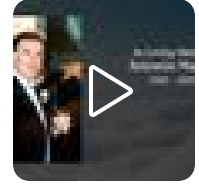
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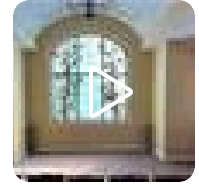
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July 26 at 12:54 PM



James Funeral Home shared a **Webcast Video**.

July 15 at 11:33 AM



Giuseppina Infante lit a candle in honor of Antonio.

Tony ,was a special person to me, from the day the I met him, hi will be missed , my prayers go out 🙏

July 27 at 10:39 AM



Giuseppina Infante lit a candle in honor of Antonio.

July 27 at 10:35 AM



Tony Violante posted:

I had the pleasure of meeting Tony about a year ago after moving into our NC retirement community. We shared the same name, roots in Brooklyn NY and ancestry in Naples...but it was much more than that. Tony's warmth, humor and love of family & friends stood out right away. I only wish we could have gotten to know each other better and maybe shared a few games of Bocce.Sincere condolences to the family. His legacy will live on. RIP Tony

July 26 at 4:50 PM



Jennifer Macaluso July 26 at 8:38 PM

Thank you for your kind words



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AM

Alfredo Manna lit a candle in honor of Antonio.

July 26 at 12:56 PM



AM

Alfredo Manna lit a candle in honor of Antonio.

Il tuo ricordo rimarrà sempre nel mio cuore

July 26 at 12:44 PM



AM

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Il tuo ricordo rimarrà sempre nel mio cuore , peccato solo per il poco tempo passato insieme

July 26 at 12:43 PM



FS

Fabio Scapolatello lit a candle in honor of Antonio.

I will miss spending time with you. I will cherish the beautiful moments we shared. Thank you for knowing you. You were and will always be a person with a huge heart, respected and loved by all. I love you infinitely. I'm as sad as when we ended our phone calls, but like every time you told me the two little words that made me feel good and I felt you close... I just want to say goodbye, and I will always remember yours: love you. Ti voglio bene zio Antonio. Fabio Scapolatello

July 26 at 12:07 PM



AG

Antonio Garcia posted:

Having just moved to North Carolina without knowing anyone here, one of the first people I met was Tony. He instantly made me feel welcomed into the bocce group and the "Tony" club (there are quite a few of us). His warm, welcoming smile whenever we met was a great comfort to me, as the newcomer. My only regret is that I didn't get a chance to know him for longer. I, for one, will miss him greatly. My condolences to Susan and the rest of his family and friends. Tony Garcia

July 26 at 12:05 PM



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RM

Ralph Mastronicola lit a candle in honor of Antonio.

We're sure going to miss you Tony...You'll be in our hearts forever...Love, Ralph and Linda

July 26 at 11:55 AM



RP

Rich Pasqua posted:

I met Tony in 2004 after we both moved down here to Denver. He was always kind and generous and would go out of his way to help on anything I needed help on. We bowled with our friends and went to wineries with our wives and friends. And who can forget the corn hole boards he expertly crafted which I had the privilege to assist in providing custom graphics. He was also a great entertainer and cook and loved to have friends over his house. I remember the Superbowl parties he had and the times we went out for dinner at Portofino's as well as the afternoon sessions at Starbucks. Tony loved coffee! Tony, my friend, you will be missed.

July 26 at 10:19 AM

RD

Robert Dibble posted:

My wife, mom and I had the pleasure of meeting Tony for the first time, seven years ago when we attended Elsie's birthday party. Tony and his wife Susan warmly greeted and welcomed us the moment we walked in their door. Tony was very hospitable and made us feel very comfortable. Tony was easy to strike up a conversation, sharing stories about his past and present. In the brief time we knew him we could tell that he was a man of character with deep love and support for his family. As we left, he invited us to come back to visit which we never did. We wish we did. Our deepest condolences to his loving family. May he rest in peace.

July 26 at 8:53 AM

MR

Maria Ruocco posted:

I meet Tony about 25 years ago and became friends. Tony was a kind and generous man with everyone he met but with me and my husband he went the extra mile. He became our guardian angel during our worst times of our lives. We loved Tony and we'll pray for his soul. RIP MY DEAR FRIEND. We love you 🥹🙏

July 25 at 8:32 PM



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Lynn Scarano lit a candle in honor of Antonio.

I write this with a heavy heart. I first met the Manna family when I lived in Brooklyn. Little did I know what an amazing family I was welcomed into. Mr Manna was always a pillar of strength and he had a quiet but strong presence when you were in his company He always had a seat at the table for you and always made you feel welcomed. Such a kind heart that will be missed dearly My deepest and most heart felt condolences to all of his family and friends.



July 23 at 8:50 AM



Michelle Jorgensen July 24 at 7:21 PM

Thank you for sharing and for lighting a candle for him



Jennifer Macaluso July 23 at 11:08 PM

Thank you for sharing Lynn



Pamela Winks posted:

I never met Tony, but I know his daughters. Reading his obituary I understand how much of a role model he must have been for them. He seemed like a brave, caring person and I know how much they'll miss him. He'll live on through his children and their children. Condolences and prayers to all.

July 17 at 3:53 PM



Jennifer Macaluso July 23 at 11:08 PM



Michelle Jorgensen July 18 at 2:06 PM

Thank you



Arianna Costanzo shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

You were like a grandfather who lived far away, welcoming us into your home as though we were your own children. I will never forget the beauty and purity of your spirit, and your boundless love for life. I will love you forever, my lovely uncle ❤️👉❤️
#foreverinmyheart



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July 17 at 2:42 PM



Michelle Jorgensen July 18 at 2:06 PM

Thank you Ari



Graceann Caminiti posted:

I have so many wonderful memories of your dad. One time, I had made a wooden tray to decorate for my aunt and uncle's anniversary and it came out terrible. Your dad took it, redid it, and turned it into something beautiful. With kind encouragement, he told me "it was a good try". Every time I called him Mr. Manna, he'd say, "Tony, Tony, call me Tony" But my favorite memory of all was the day Michelle and were driving into the city for class and had to meet him at work to switch cars. We had to re-enter the tunnel from the opposite direction... THEY STOPPED TRAFFIC coming out of the tunnel just so Tony Manna's daughter could get across to the tunnel entrance and get to school on time. Why, because everyone loved him and would move mountains for him. He was a kind and extraordinary man. I'm so happy to have known him. May he rest in eternal peace ♥

July 16 at 4:30 PM



Michelle Jorgensen July 16 at 6:25 PM

I remember like it was yesterday ♥



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Katie O'mara posted:

I remember first meeting Tony and Susan while playing bocce. They became loving friends and we'd go to breakfast at times after playing. Tony was the spark of the group, generous, light hearted, thoughtful and caring. Tony hosted games at his home and was always there to cheer you up. Often, he'd bring freshly cooked Italian food to my house with a smile and good cheer. He'd share his loving spirit with all that knew him. A kind and loving man who will be terribly missed in our community. Goodbye dear friend, please rest in peace knowing how truly and deeply you were loved. Katie

July 16 at 12:21 PM



Michelle Jorgensen July 17 at 1:17 AM
Thanks for sharing Katie



Michelle Jorgensen July 16 at 6:26 PM
Thanks for sharing that Graceann



Michelle Jorgensen July 16 at 6:25 PM
I remember like it was yesterday !



Micalene Centofante shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

What can we say....Tony, One of a Kind, the life of every party...especially our Christmas parties! As soon as he found out about the party he brings over a case of red wine 🍷 to start the festivities 🎄🎅! He doesn't stop there, anytime Mark needed help with something in his knife shop, it was Tony! We went to Italy back in 2017, he coached us on where to go, what to see and taught me Italian phrases. Every time he and Susan pulled out of the driveway and Mark or I were outside, they always stopped to chat or if he had cookies or candy or a cake he says, 'I'll bring it over when we get back'.... When we first moved to the hood in 2007, they brought over a welcome plant and introduced themselves to us. 😊 He and Susan were the sweetest, kindest neighbors and I will cherish their friendship ❤️❤️ We love you!Mark & Mikie Centofante



July 15 at 10:18 PM



Michelle Jorgensen July 16 at 6:27 PM
Thanks for sharing ❤️



Jennifer Macaluso July 15 at 11:23 PM
Thank you for sharing your memories with us ❤️



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ST

Sandra Terzulli posted:

The big BBQ at their house in Brooklyn He always made my bbq chicken the best ! I spent a ton of time in the Manna House and he would always ask How are you and your parents . Thank you Tony for making my teenage year always filled with laughter. I always felt like your fourth daughter. Rest in Peace

July 15 at 7:16 PM

MJ

Michelle Jorgensen July 16 at 6:28 PM

Awww...thanks Sandra

JM

Jennifer Macaluso July 15 at 11:22 PM

He loved you!!!

MS

Martie Seagle posted:

I remember going up to watch them play Bocce....I did not know his name....but he would always invite me to play ...I had never played , but he said they would help me.....I would say no... I'm just going to watch.....he kept asking me to playI finally said yes I will try.....that was the beginning of a warm, special, friendship....SUCH a kind, nice, generous man who loved everyone! He will certainly will be missed.....Love you, Tony ❤️🙏. Martie Seagle

July 15 at 4:16 PM

MJ

Michelle Jorgensen July 16 at 6:27 PM

You are so sweet! Thanks for sharing Martie

JM

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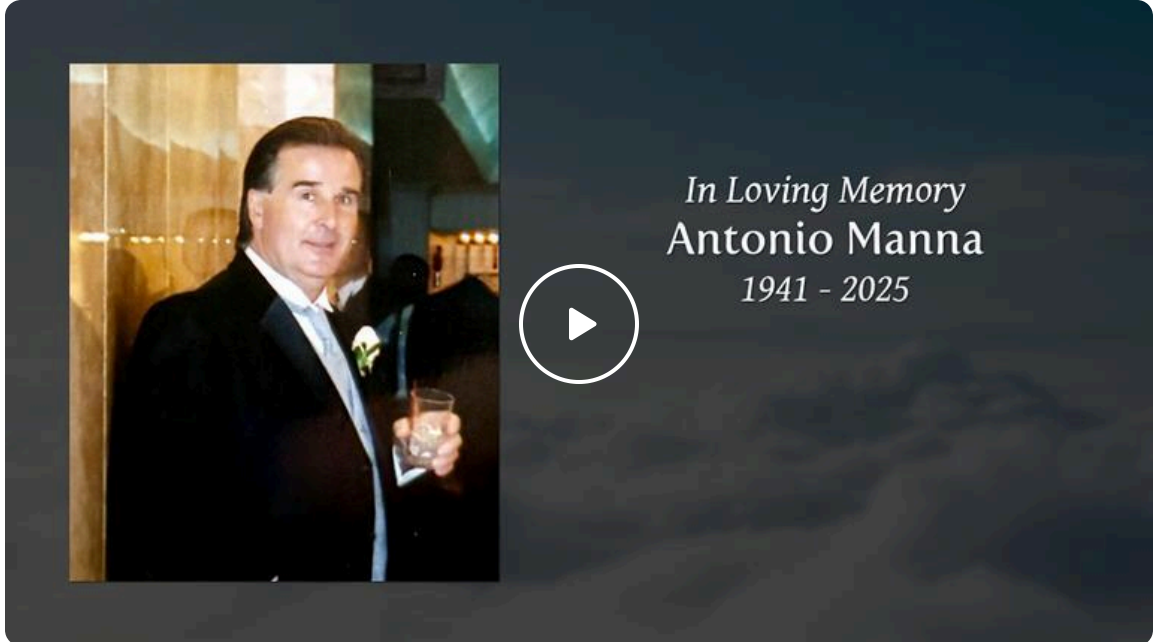
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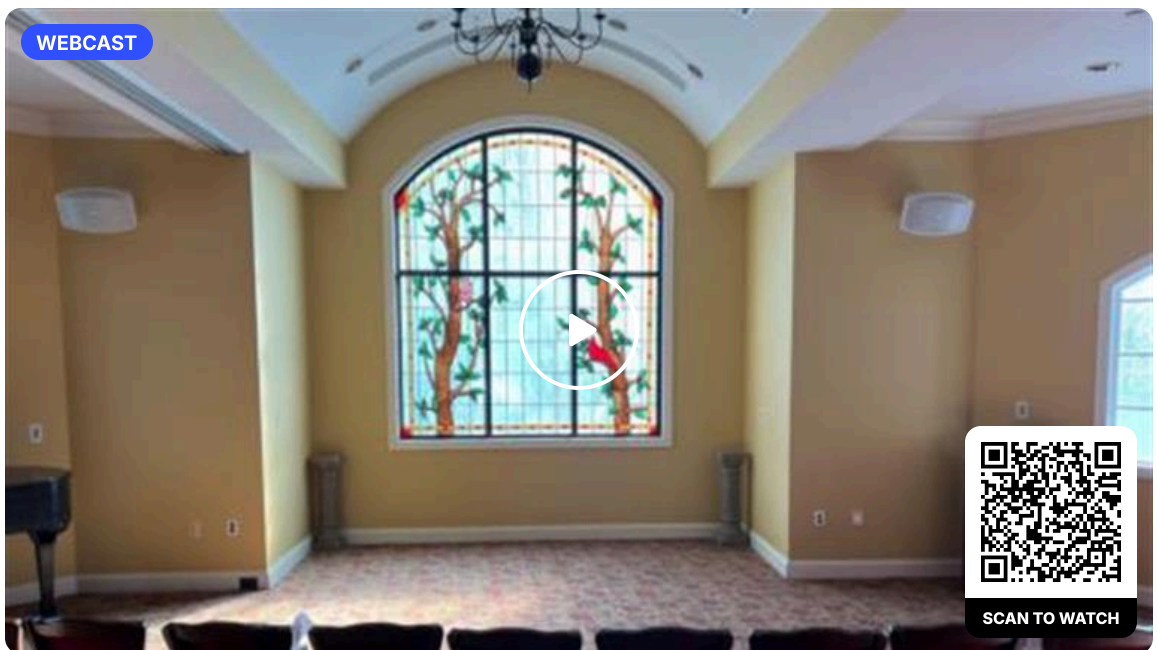
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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Antonio by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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