



# **Antonio John D'Amico, Jr.**

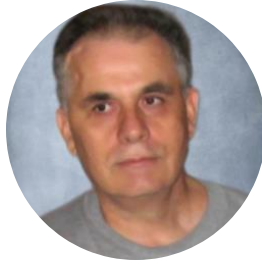
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### **A**ntonio” Tony” J. D’Amico, Jr.

Tony D’Amico, Jr., 71, of Lewes passed away at Harbor Healthcare in Lewes Wednesday, April 22, 2020.

Born in Camden, NJ to Antonio J. D’Amico and Regina Berger D’Amico, Tony was a graduate of Bishop Eustace Prep School in Pennsauken, NJ and Christian Brothers College in Memphis, TN. Tony went on to become a New Jersey State Trooper and a small business owner of A-1 Countertops in Millsboro, DE with his brother Joe.

When a ruptured brain aneurysm and stroke in 1992 made it impossible for Tony to continue working in the countertop business, he returned to school and became an IT professional, ultimately finding rewarding work with Lewes Public Library.

Tony was a US history buff and enjoyed the music of Andrea Bocelli but was known most for his avid love of sports, especially the Philadelphia Eagles. He and his brothers held season tickets for many years and received well wishes from then head coach Rich Kotite following Tony’s stroke.

Preceded in death by his youngest brother Christopher D’Amico, Tony is survived by his parents, his brother Michael D’Amico; his brother and sister-in-law Joe and Mary Beth D’Amico of Lewes, DE; sister-in-law Christine D’Amico of Ocean, NJ; nieces and nephews Gina D’Amico (Brian Chorney) of St. Petersburg, FL; Joseph D’Amico, Jr. of Oceanside, CA; Veronica D’Amico (Johnathon Brown) of Wilmington, DE; Matthew D’Amico of Brooklyn, NY; Suzanne D’Amico of Baltimore, MD; and grand-nephew Johnathon Antonio Brown.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please donate in Tony’s memory to Lewes Public Library, 111 Adams Avenue, Lewes, DE 19958 or



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to Easterseals Tunnell Center, 22317 DuPont Blvd, Georgetown, DE 19947.

Please sign the online condolence page at this site.



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RD

**Rich Deirocini** posted:

Sorry to hear about Tony, I know this is late but he was a good friend and person. He was my roommate at Cristian Brothers University. I knew Tony and his family from growing up in Camden.

February 13 at 7:49 AM

WT

**William Tyler Trump** lit a candle in honor of Antonio John.

So sorry about Tony. When Tony came into the Outfit, New Jersey State Police, I was assigned as his Trooper Coach at the Woodstown Barracks. Tony was a fast learner and very bright. I really enjoyed training Tony. We lost touch with each other after the Trooper Coach period but I always had great memories of Tony. Rest Easy Tony, William Trump.



May 14 at 9:03 AM

MB

**Mary Bernheisel** posted:

It was always a pleasure to work with Tony at the Lewes Library. My condolences to all the family. He will be greatly missed. Mary Bernheisel

April 30 at 8:56 AM

TL

**Tom And Mary Jean (Weir) Leisner** posted:

Dear Uncle Tony and Aunt Jean, we are so sorry for your loss! You will be in our thoughts and prayers. Love, Mary Jean Weir Leisner and Thomas Leisner

April 27 at 8:41 AM

KB

**Kristen Baker** posted:

I was fortunate to work with Tony for several years at the Lewes Library. He was a great coworker and a better friend. Even when he was going through so much of his own stuff, he always asked about my family, especially my Dad and kids. He was so helpful, both to patrons and coworkers. Kristen Gramer Baker

April 26 at 9:29 AM



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CS

**Charlie Stanislav** posted:

So very sorry to hear of Tony's passing. He was a great guy and will most definitely be missed by many. Condolences to the family.

April 26 at 7:35 AM

TR

**Tom Reilly** posted:

My condolences to the D'Amico family. I attended Bishop Eustace for two and a half years and have unfortunately not seen Tony since our 1966 graduation. During those Eustace years both our Dads had become good friends. Of course, what initially comes to my memory is Tony wearing jersey number 39 and he and I being teammates in the backfield on the football team my last year at Eustace. But upon reflection, what I truly recall was Tony's naughty laugh and then our ignominious moment of almost blowing up the school. I doubt this account is known to many if any in the D'Amico family. During our chemistry lab Tony and I sat next to each other and were separated by a shared sink. One day early in class I had discarded some chemical into our sink then later Tony dumped a potion into the sink and there was an immediate sound of "poof" followed by a small cloud rising from the sink with a disgusting odor. Tony had been looking into the sink and when the cloud rose it singed his eyebrows. Luckily, his eyes were not harmed. Our nearby teacher, Mr. Fox, yelled "open the windows and get out of the classroom". Post our safe evacuation, during our next class when Tony sat down next to me I looked over at him and Tony started laughing. I couldn't control myself with my hands covering my face while giggling. Yes, he had a great laugh and there were and are many wonderful memories of Tony in the class and on the football field. I hope at this time of mourning my memories of Tony can bring a smile to the D'Amico family members as it does for me. Tony may you Rest in Peace. Tom Reilly, Class of 1966.

April 25 at 11:23 AM

DH

**Donna Hegge** posted:

Growing up around the corner from my cousins is filled with many special memories. Tony was 7yrs. older, and his favorite greeting to me was always, "Hi ugly!" 😊 I never took offense because that was Tony, and he was the big mahoff to us kids. Tony was always strong willed, and what he fought through was proof of that. He also loved to teach, recommended the best books to read, and we always had great conversations when I would visit at Aunt Jean and Uncle Tony's. As sad as it is to lose him, I know he is free of the body that failed him. And as God promises when we get to Heaven, we will receive a new body, so that makes me happy for Tony. With our love, and thoughts for your peace to Aunt Jean, Uncle Tony, Michael, Joe and extended family. Donna (Kay) & Joe Hegge

April 25 at 6:20 AM



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JW

**Joan Williamsn** posted:

So sorry to hear of your loss. Such a difficult time. God Bless.Joan and Phil Williamson

April 25 at 3:53 AM

CB

**Cheryl Buxton** posted:

I am so sorry to hear this; you are in my prayersCheryl

April 25 at 2:33 AM

MW

**Mary Lou Warren** lit a candle in honor of Antonio John.

I met Tony & the D'Amico family many years ago when I worked at Dr Susan Rogers office. What a nice guy! I remember him always being positive - with a smile on his face & laughing. My deepest condolences to Joe & Mary Beth, Gina, Joseph & Veronica & the entire D'Amico family. Prayers for comfort & peace.



April 24 at 7:04 PM

CD

**Chrys Dudbridge** posted:

As the former Director of the Lewes Public Library, it is with great sadness. I learned of Tony's passing this morning and let several members of the staff know. Tony came to work with us in tech support, first as a volunteer and then as a part time staff member. He had survived and worked very hard to recover from his traumatic brain injury to live a productive life, bringing his wonderful sense of humor, care for others and inspiration to those of us who knew and cared about him. His work at the library supported both patrons and staff, as well as assisting the tech staff of the library system to be their help staff at our library. On the days he worked he would often be in by 6AM doing computer updates and troubleshooting problems. He often could be found assisting patrons with computer tasks. He was valued by the library staff, the patrons, volunteers and we were privileged to have known him. I send my sincere condolences to his family and friends. He will be sadly missed.

April 24 at 6:17 PM

NB

**Nancy Bush** posted:

Tony and JeanOur prayers and thoughts are with you.

April 24 at 5:49 PM



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NQ

**Nancy Bush And Jim Quigley** sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the D'Amico, Jr. family.



April 24 at 5:47 PM

DF

**Daniel G Fisher** posted:

Tony was a friend I have good memories. I recall an "attitude" a confident style.RIP. Dan Fisher, Class of 66

April 24 at 5:34 PM

MM

**Margaret Mccurdy** posted:

Tony, I was your worst best friend. I hope you passed easily. You certainly gave life a go. I will miss you always " Sister Mary Sunshine" from your "Cloud". See you on the other side my friend.

April 24 at 5:32 PM

JR

**Joseph Ridgway** posted:

Tony was a great friend and a tough and valued football teammate of mine at Bishop Eustace Prep School (Class of 1966). My condolences to his entire family, especially his beloved and dedicated parents. RIP Tony. I remember you well and fondly.Joseph Ridgway

April 24 at 3:03 PM

BB

**Bruce And Debbie Banasz** posted:

Tony was one of the greatest guys I ever knew since I met him in high school and someone I have always looked up to since then. He was really special and the world needs more people like him. Tony will be greatly missed by everyone that knew him. He is in our prayers always.Bruce and Debbie Banasz

April 24 at 7:52 AM



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