

John A. Tullio, 90, of Erie, passed away Sunday, January 3, 2016 at the Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh, PA.



He was born on September 6, 1925 in Erie, PA, son of the late Anthony and Cecilia (Nardoni) Tullio.

John served in the U.S. Navy during WWII. He graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from John Carroll University in Cleveland, Ohio, and continued with graduate school at the University of Michigan and Case Western Reserve University. He was employed at various manufacturing companies as manager, including Penn-Union Electric Corporation and President of the following companies: Teledyne Ansonia in Ansonia, CT, Melrath Gasket in Philadelphia, PA, Fitzgerald Gasket in Torrington, CT, Tanner Manufacturing, TJ Manufacturing, both in Erie, and treasurer of Lawrence Park Leasing in Erie, PA. He was a member of Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church, as well as the O.L.P Senior Group. An active member of the Kiwanis Club of Erie, he served as past president and never missed a weekly meeting in his 26 year tenure. He was also a member of the Erie Maennerchor Club. John was an avid reader, enjoyed playing golf, gardening and attending family events and gatherings.

He was preceded in death by his brother; Erie Mayor Louis J. Tullio; sisters, Elizabeth Cannavino, Amelia Letizio, Rose Olsen, Marie Miano, Jean Tullio and Lena Grassi.

He is survived by his wife of over 65 years, Norma (Pacinelli) Tullio; daughters, Mary Batyko and her husband, George, of Moon Twp, PA and Christine Tullio of Lake Bluff, II; grandchildren, Christopher and Nicholas (wife, Anne) Batyko, Caroline and Jack Persinger; great granddaughter Addison Marie Batyko, as well as many nieces and nephews.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Merle E. Wood Funeral Home, Inc. Friends may call at the Brugger Funeral Homes and Crematory, 1595 West 38th St. at Greengarden Boulevard on Thursday from 2:00 – 4:00 and 7:00 – 9:00 PM and are invited to attend a prayer service at the funeral home on Friday morning at 9:30 AM followed by a funeral Mass at Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church at 10:00 AM. Online condolences may be offered by visiting www.merlewoodfh.com.

Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the following non-profit organizations: St. Jude Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105; The Covenant House, 427 West 52nd Street, New York, NY 10019; or the Erie Kiwanis Foundation, P.O. Box 3715, Erie, PA 16508.