



## Anthony J. Gualano

March 23, 1958 - February 9, 2020

Anthony J Gualano born March 23, 1958 in Oak Park, Illinois to Ermano and Mary Gualano. Born first of his two brothers and one sister, Tony took his big brother duties very seriously and always looked out for us. Growing up at 5510 North Oscela, Tony made life long friends at Oriole Park neighborhood. He played little league, had his paper route and love to build bicycles from scraps he found. Tony could always be found laughing and making others laugh with him on neighbors porches or stoops. Shortly after Tony's 8th grade graduation, we moved out of the city to Barrington Hills. With two acres of land, this would be where his love for motorcycles started. Though we always had fun, Tony could not wait to get his driver license to get back to the city to hang out with friends. Tony loved being outdoors, riding motocross, camping, fishing, and barbecues. He loved to cook and try new restaurants with friends. Tony was always full of life, laughter and love.

During his ten year battle with cancer, he never gave up with Patti by his side, they were a fierce team. Tony was always a very proud man, never wanting to be a burden. Eventually Tony and Trixie (his beloved and crazy cat) agreed to move in with his brother Joe and family. Joe along with the team at University of Chicago Medical Center were very committed to Tony's healthcare. After his treatments, many stays and doctors appointments at UOC he always liked to go home passing by Lake Michigan, one of his favorite places in the city. His mind never gave up, but Tony lost his battle on February 9, 2020.

Tony is survived by his mother Mary Gualano, his brothers James Gualano,

Joe (Sue) Gualano and sister Lisa (Daniel) Swanson, nephews Rocco, Nick Gualano, Chris Swanson and nieces Deana Swanson, Josie Gualano and many cousins. Tony had a way of making friends, that were always more like family and that he loved with all his heart. Gone too soon, but never forgotten. Your light will always shine. Rest In Peace Brother.

A celebration of Tony's life will be held on March 7 2020 beginning at 3 PM with a funeral service at 6 PM and ending at 7 PM at the funeral home.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

MAR 7. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Schielka Addison Street Funeral Home  
7710 West Addison Street  
Chicago, IL 60634  
(773) 625-3444

# Tribute Wall

SW

“ I recently heard about Tony's passing. I met Tony through mutual friends from Oriole Park in the mid-seventies. He was a nice guy towards his interaction with me. I moved my senior year from Chicago to Las Vegas and lost contact with him and with others with whom I knew at that time who attended Taft High School. Let us honor those we knew who have passed by living to the best of our ability!

*My condolences to his family.*

*Scott Widmar*

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**Scott Widmar** - March 22, 2020 at 05:03 AM

AC

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



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**Arthur Carlson** - March 07, 2020 at 02:26 AM

SG

“ Sandy, Tom, Tony and Gina purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Anthony J. Gualano.



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**Sandy, Tom, Tony and Gina** - March 06, 2020 at 06:37 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Anthony J. Gualano.*



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March 06, 2020 at 03:35 PM



“ *Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Anthony J. Gualano.*



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March 06, 2020 at 11:56 AM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Anthony J. Gualano.*



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March 04, 2020 at 12:00 PM

TK

“ Tony,

*I know how painful it has been for the last couple of years and am glad the hard part is over. I will sincerely miss you at the 19th hole. We played many golf courses and had 20 years of friendship together. It's way too soon to lose a friend like you.*

*Love,  
Tom (One of the Boneheads)  
Saint Joseph, Missouri*

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**Tom Keller** - March 03, 2020 at 04:50 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Anthony J. Gualano.



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February 25, 2020 at 08:27 PM

JT

“ I was so sorry to hear the news on Tony. Having been gone from Chicago for many years (1984), we didn't stay in touch as much as I would have liked. Great memories here (he always made me laugh). My sincere condolences and sympathy to Tony's family. He will certainly be missed.

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**Joe Carpenter (Nashville, TN)** - February 25, 2020 at 12:54 PM

JT

*Joe Carpenter*

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**Joe Carpenter (Nashville, TN)** - February 25, 2020 at 12:54 PM

MR

*My sincere condolences on the loss of Tony. I used to work with him and Joe at DHL. One of the funniest people I ever met. I always enjoyed hearing about his adventures when he'd take the courier flight to San Francisco or London for the weekend. The world is a lot less funny without Tony. He was a great man!*

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**Mary Rita Ryan** - March 05, 2020 at 09:23 AM

EL

“ *Eleanor lit a candle in memory of Anthony J. Gualano*



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**eleanor** - February 15, 2020 at 11:46 AM

LG

*Gone too soon. Thank you for all the laughs my friend. Until we meet again ❤️*

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**lynn garrett** - February 25, 2020 at 11:59 AM