



Robert V. Santare, III

August 17, 1955 - December 25, 2012

Robert V. Santare, III of Southampton Twp, NJ passed away suddenly Tuesday, December 25, 2012. He was 57. Mr. Santare was born in Barnegat Light August 17, 1955. His family moved to Cherry Hill, NJ and he graduated from Cherry Hill West High School in 1973. His early work experience was varied and prepared him for the success that was to come later. Among his employers were Bell Telephone, Ultimate Machine Company and Garlock Valves, AVA Electronics and Erico Fastening Systems. During this time he was also attending classes at Glassboro State College, now Rowan University.

In 1990, Mr. Santare entered into a business arrangement with Mr. Aldo Magazzeni and they founded Champion Fasteners, Inc. and the company quickly grew; acquiring a distribution company in the United Kingdom in 1995 and Kern & Szalai Machine Company in 1999. In 2010 Champion Fasteners celebrated its 20th anniversary. He was recognized by the New Jersey Senate and Assembly for business achievement and in 1997 Champion Fasteners was selected to host a visit of Chinese industrialists to the United States.

As successful as Mr. Santare was in business, these pale when compared to his accomplishments and commitments to his community. He has served as Chairperson of the Burlington County Workforce Investment Board from 1997-2011, a member of the Burlington County College Foundation Board of

Technology Foundation from 1996 to present and a member of the H.B. Smith Village Conservancy Board of Trustees from 1998 until the present. His work and dedication to these groups has helped to raise over \$560,000 in fundraising. He received the Excellence Award from the New Jersey Council of County Colleges in 1995, the Voice of Business Award from the Burlington County Chamber of Commerce in 1996 and the Outstanding Volunteer Award by the Burlington County Board of Freeholders. Mr. Santare was extremely proud of being a founder, with his partner, Aldo Magazzeni, of Traveling Mercies Foundation , a Charitable Humanitarian Outreach Program.

Son of the late Barbara Santare (nee Hill), he is survived by his loving wife, Gloria; three sons, Robert Santare IV, Leo Santare, Sean Santare; two grandsons, Mason, Bobby V.; his father, Robert V. Santare Jr.; a brother, Hugh Santare; numerous aunts and uncles, especially George & Rosemary Schmiedel; his loyal companion, Kayla; several nieces, nephews, cousins, and many, many dear friends.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 11 am, Thursday at The Church of the Holy Eucharist, 520 Medford Lakes Rd., Tabernacle. Interment will follow in Colestown Cemetery, Cherry Hill. Friends and relatives may visit with the family Wednesday from 2 to 4 pm and again from 7 to 9 pm at the Perinchief Chapels, 438 High St., Mt. Holly.

Previous Events

Service

JAN 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

Church of the Holy Eucharist
520 Medford Lakes Road
Tabernacle, NJ

Tribute Wall



“ Robert V. Santare, III

October 29, 2022 at 11:57 AM



“ Robert V. Santare, III

October 29, 2022 at 09:53 AM



“ We have loss a giant of a man with a heart of gold. Bob Santare set the example that many of us should follow. Bob and his business partners gave of themselves with out expecting any thing in return. There are no words that can express how blessed we were to have Bob Santare work with us at Burlington County College, and the Burlington County College Foundation. We have loss a great humanitarian. To Gloria, and the Santare family, may God continue to bless you during this difficult time.

Ron Winthers##imported-begin##Ronald Winthers##imported-end##

January 03, 2013 at 10:25 PM



“ To the Santare family, I am so sadden by the loss of Bob. I can't tell you how much his kindness and friendship has meant to me. Furthermore, I've not met a person that was so giving and so willing to help others. We have all lost a treasure.##imported-begin##Barry Williams##imported-end##

January 02, 2013 at 06:15 PM



“ To the family of Bob Santare, thank you so very much for sharing him with others. As a Burlington County College Foundation board member, he was very active and his presence on campus was common. Over the years that I was the BCC Alumni Association president, he was warm and open, offering to help me with any event or initiative that the board members proposed. And, yes, he was one of the nicest, most generous people you'd ever want to meet. Truly one-of-a-kind as a person, and set the bar high for BCC's Foundation board members. Irreplaceable and unforgettable... such a sad, sad loss.##imported-begin##Michele Phillips##imported-end##

January 02, 2013 at 05:02 PM



“ Dear Santare Family,

Bob was a special man, always so thoughtful and nice. Doing business with him was a true pleasure. I am so truly sorry for your loss, and you are all in my prayers. May God hold you all in his arms of love and comfort.

*Best Regards,
Sharon A. McElwee
Precision Metal Services##imported-begin##Sharon A.
McElwee##imported-end##*

January 02, 2013 at 02:57 PM



“ *"The very essence of leadership is that you have to have vision. You can't blow an uncertain trumpet."*

Theodore M. Hesburgh

Our community has experienced a great loss. Robert is truly a leader with vision. If he could visualize it, it will "come to be." I admired him because he invested in people. At Burlington County College, he invested in our students through his continuous efforts to raise money for scholarships. I give testimony to that fact, as I am a recipient of his efforts. The BCC Alumni Association Family will miss you.##imported-begin##Annise Hawkins/BCC Alumni Association President##imported-end##

January 02, 2013 at 02:21 PM



“ *Bob, I feel truly blessed to have known and worked with you at BCC. You were always so pleasant and made everyone around you so welcomed.*

God Bless,##imported-begin##Tissie Pannazzo##imported-end##

January 01, 2013 at 11:47 PM



“ I am so sad. Bob was the most generous, optimistic, forward-thinking individual I have even known. In the community service arena, he raised the bar for us all. He understood what motivated people, and he put that understanding to work. My last conversation with Bob was a friendly argument, regarding the Volunteer Center of Burlington County. Beyond his local endeavors, he and his business partners have been ambassadors at large, building safe drinking water facilities in many third world countries that most of us would never go near, yet alone recognize by name. My sincere consolations go to all of Bob's family and friends, and his employees, who I am sure, considered him a fair boss and a good friend.##imported-begin##Ralph Shrom##imported-end##

January 01, 2013 at 07:07 PM



“ Too young and too soon you left us dear cousin. I often thought to visit you but never did, always thinking there was time enough to see you later. Now time has swallowed you up, and we who love you are left with regret, but this one hope we cling to: That we will walk together again in the newness of the life to come. I speak for all of us whom you have left behind when I say that our sorrow is mingled with the joy of knowing there is a New Heaven and a New Earth, where there will be no time and no regrets. We yearn for that reunion. Set a table for us - we'll be but a little while.##imported-begin##Ted Feimer##imported-end##

December 31, 2012 at 04:40 PM



“ To Robert's Family - Gloria, his wife & three sons, Also to Robert's father & brother,

The loss of your husband, father, son, and brother, Robert, is a shock, for he was only a few years older than our son, Tom. Although I've not had the pleasure of meeting him, I've heard how he followed the family heritage, because he achieved success in business and was a philanthropic blessing to other people; just Uncle Robby and Aunt Mary blessed me many times after my father passed.

Cousin Robert, you have been respectful and kind to my aging mother by keeping in contact with her over the years. I've been grateful for your attention to her.

Your grief must be unimaginably hard on you. There are no words that could ever placate your sorrow, yet the Lord, Himself tells us to turn to Him during every situation of our Lives.

Even God, when facing His own Son's death seemed not to tolerate it well, for as he was dying Jesus said "My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?" Just days later that intense sorrow turned to Joy, when Jesus Himself conquered death and rose again, then ascended 40 days later to be at His Father's side.

Christ, Himself, understood the agony of the cross, yet He despising the shame before him, looked beyond the cross in joyful anticipation in that ascension to His Eternity where death and destruction could not reside. Therein those words lies our own hope. For the most Holy Time a person will ever have, is when he/she transitions from flesh into a new Spirit Body and stands in the presence of his/her Creator...when he has been returned to God.

*God gifted you with a fine husband, father, brother & son, who was a responsible businessman,
Not everyone can say that. We thank God that you all loved each*

other. We Praise God, that you make a difference in this world. We are blessed to be part of each other, although we hardly ever see one another.

We pray your grief will soon ease, and that you will sense the reality of the presence of the Lord wrapping His arms around you, comforting you during your time of deep, deep sorrow. Especially when we know He has already walked the road of deep sorrow, while encountering death.

May each of your lives be at rest in the mighty Love of the Lord, and may you realize the guidance He is providing you during these many transition days, when learning to live without Robert. Psalms 23:1 The Lord is 'Your' Shepherd. He shall be your help and comfort during these most difficult days.

We stand with you in prayer holding your name directly to the Father and His Holy child Jesus our redeemer and friend.

Love Tom & Joyce Mather and Aunt Anna Collins##imported-begin##Thomas & Joyce Mather##imported-end##

December 30, 2012 at 09:02 PM



“ My family and I are deeply saddened by the loss of Bob Santare. I learned so much from Bob over the years that we worked together at the BCC Foundation. He was a strong leader and a good friend who was inclusive and welcoming of everyone that came into his life.

A few years ago Bob shared a book with me about the rhino philosophy of living. The message was to live life fully and charge ahead to achieve your dreams. I have two rhinos on my desk (thanks to Bob) as reminders to keep moving forward despite disappointments and set backs that are inevitable in life.

Gloria, Leo, Sean and Bobby, we will keep in you in our prayers. Bob was so proud of all of you and loved you very much.

Love,
Becky, Mike, Christopher, Rachel and Parker Corbin###imported-begin###Rebecca Corbin###imported-end###

December 29, 2012 at 04:29 PM



“ Robert, we, and many others give thanks for your friendship, support and your presence in our lives, and sorrowfully rejoice that you have answered a summons to a distant area where the ravages of time and disease shall be no more . Once when I discussed the joys and sorrows of life with your grandmother she remarked that great joy is often accompanied by sadness as a kind a payment for the joy and accomplishments. Indeed we feel this way now with your early passing and so may you also have fair winds and following seas during your eternal voyage. God Bless, David and Christopher Agar, and Margaret Norden###imported-begin###David O. Agar###imported-end###

December 29, 2012 at 02:24 PM