

## Gloucester City News Obituaries

### September 2024

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#### *Daniel Monk Jr. (Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>)*

Surrounded by his loving family, Daniel E. Monk Jr. passed peacefully on August 25, 2024, at the age of 53.

A lifelong resident of Gloucester City, he was the loving father of Daniel E. Monk, III; his mother, Dana Beltz; and her daughter, Aalyah. Beloved son of Daniel E. Monk, Sr. (Fran) and the late Joanne Boyer (late Dave).

Loving brother of Tim Monk (Eileen), Denise Rusk, Jimmy Monk, David Monk (Christie), Jason Monk (Tammy), Paula Abate and Mike Nelson (Cynthia). Also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins and his beloved animals, Fifi, Lola and Mr. Handsome.

Danny was a graduate of Gloucester City High School Class of 1989. He went on to proudly serve our country in the U.S. Navy. Danny was a longtime member of the Townsend C. Young VFW Post #3620 and the American Legion Post #135 in Gloucester City. He was proud to always lend a hand and help those in need, especially the food drive with Epiphany Church of Gloucester City during the pandemic.

Relatives and friends attended his viewing in the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City, where his Funeral Service was celebrated. Interment was be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to a gofundme set up to assist the family at this time <https://gofund.me/a6b40685> and to remember Danny with a random act of kindness to help out those in need. Condolences and Memories may be shared at [www.mccannhealey.com](http://www.mccannhealey.com).

#### *John Stone (Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>)*

What could be better than a day filled with exploring the woods, an evening around a campfire, and a night in the tent beneath a pitch-black sky filled with bright stars? This place touches the soul with solitude. Nature is a place of solace, inspiration, adventure, and delight; a home, a teacher, and a companion. John A. Stone found this as his place to be. He was energetic and loved to be outdoors, kayaking, building fires, camping, hiking and fishing.

On Saturday, August 17, 2024, after just 55 trips, John went just a little further than the sun. He was kind, fun, and willing.

John's was born during the early winter of 1968. He spent his circle of days as a Gloucester City resident and spent his last few in Malaga. He loved animals, was the youngest in a very large family, and loved everyone dearly.

John leaves an afterglow of memories to be remembered by his daughters Jamie and Dayna Stone. He is the proud grandfather of his grandson and is also survived and will be sadly missed by his brothers and sisters.

Relatives, friends, and neighbors gathered with the Stone family for his viewing at the Etherington & Creran Funeral Homes, Gloucester City where his remembrance ceremony was celebrated. The time-honored tradition of reuniting those we love with nature will be held privately.

***Roberta Koziejka (Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>)***

Roberta D. Koziejka (nee Dlugosz) of Bellmawr passed away on August 24, 2024.

Daughter of the late Anna and Anthony Dlugosz. Sister of the late Loretta Poplaski. Beloved wife of the late Richard S. Koziejka of 57 years. Roberta was the cherished mother of Paula O'Boyle (Neil) of Hoschton, GA, Thomas Koziejka (Loretta) of Tabernacle and Marie Swanholm (Paul) of Haddon Heights. Also survived by her niece, Claudia (Frank) Kirby of Audubon. She is lovingly survived by eight grandchildren: Barbara O'Boyle Hammond (Michael), Leanne O'Boyle Miller (Brandon), Melissa O'Boyle, Tyler Swanholm, Ryan Swanholm, Courtney Koziejka, Casey Koziejka and Hannah Koziejka; and five great grandchildren, Everett, Anna and Eli Hammond and Olivia and Cora Miller.

Roberta was born in Camden and graduated from St. Joseph's High School in 1953 before attending Pierce Business School. She enjoyed luncheons with the St. Joseph's High School Class of 1949.

She was a member of the Collingswood SC and the J&R Young at Heart Club. Roberta was an avid reader and enjoyed getting together with her friends. Before retiring, she worked at RM Hollingshead and William Perilstein Glass Company. Finally, she loved vacationing with family in Ocean City, NJ and Nags Head, NC.

Relatives and friends attended her viewing at the Healey Funeral Home, 9 White Horse Pike, Haddon Heights. Her Funeral Mass was celebrated St. Joseph's Church, Camden. Interment was in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Chews Landing.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to either Samaritan Hospice at <https://www.samaritannj.org/> or to the Alzheimer's Association at <https://www.alz.org>.

***Angelo Rapanaro (Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>)***

Angelo C. Rapanaro, 95, of Gloucester City passed away on August 29, 2024.

Loving husband of 65 years to the late Elizabeth J. Rapanaro (nee McCann). Beloved father of the late Gary E. Rapanaro. Beloved brother of Philomena DuBeck (Matthew), Stefano Rapanaro (Maryann), Dolores Rapanaro, the late Mario Rapanaro (surviving Kathleen), the late Francesca DiVincenzo (late Tommy) and the late Anna Rose Bond (late Ed). Angelo is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews and cousins.

Angelo was the son of the late Francesco and Nunziata Rapanaro. He was a graduate of Camden County Vocational School in Pennsauken. He and his late wife, Elizabeth, were married in St. Mary's Church in 1951 and were former parishioners of Sacred Heart Church in Mt. Ephraim.

Angelo served in the Army National Guard for seven years. He operated his own business, IronshopWork Corp. and was a past member of the Knights of Columbus and the Gloucester City Chamber of Commerce.

Relatives and friends attended his viewing in the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City. Interment was at New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in his memory to the Alzheimer's Association online at [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org). Please memo, Angelo Rapanaro.

Condolences and Memories may be shared at [www.mccannhealey.com](http://www.mccannhealey.com).

***Samuel J. Costanzo (Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>)***

Samuel J. Costanzo, 95, of Gloucester City passed peacefully on August 25, 2024.

Loving and devoted husband of 55 years to the late Rose Marie Costanzo (nee Overnack). Loving father of John Costanzo (Angela Cella) and Lisa Costanzo. Cherished Pop of Mike Pyffer, Jr. and Samantha Rose Pyffer. Sam is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews Ruthie, Rita, Frank and Diane and his dearest friends, Jamie Megee, Dayl and Linda Baile, Ed Anyzek and his family at Ferry Fence. He is predeceased by his siblings.

Sam proudly served our country in the U.S. Army in Japan following World War II. He worked many years as a truck driver and enjoyed the 20 plus years at Ferry Fence in Gloucester City. Sam was a longtime member of the Gloucester City Lions Club and a faithful, devoted parishioner of St. Mary's Church.

Relatives and friends attended his viewing in St. Mary's Church, 426 Monmouth St., Gloucester City, where his Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated. Interment with U.S. military honors was at New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

In lieu of flowers, please remember Sam with a donation to Deborah Hospital Foundation, PO Box 820, Browns Mills, NJ 08015 or online at <https://www.deborahfoundation.org/donate/>. Please memo, Samuel J. Costanzo.

Condolences and memories may be shared at [www.mccannhealey.com](http://www.mccannhealey.com). Funeral arrangements entrusted to the McCann-Healey Funeral Home, 851 Monmouth St., Gloucester City.

***James Costello III (Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>)***

James Costello III, 79, of Bellmawr, formerly of Southwest Philadelphia, passed peacefully in his home surrounded by his family on September 9, 2024.

Beloved husband of 56 years to Nancy Costello, and the loving father of Michael Costello and Mark Costello. Dear brother of Timothy Costello. James was an avid fisherman and hunter, and was a member of the Everready Sportsmen Club. He also enjoyed playing cards with this friends.

Services were private at the request of the family.

Donations may be made in his memory to Samaritan Healthcare & Hospice, PO Box 71425, Philadelphia, PA, 19176 or at [www.SamaritanNJ.org/DONATE](http://www.SamaritanNJ.org/DONATE).

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Gardner Funeral Home, 126 S. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede.

**Janet Prewitt (Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>)**

Janet Prewitt (nee Pinner), 77, of Glendora passed away on September 12, 2024.

Janet was predeceased by her beloved son, Richard M. Prewitt. She is lovingly survived by her husband, Richard D. Prewitt; her daughter, Debra (Clint) Whitney of Dorothy, NJ; her granddaughters, Cierra and Sabrina; and her brother, Warren (Rev. Shellie) Pinner of Runnemede.

Janet worked for PHH Mortgage for 29 years.

Relatives and friends attended her viewing in the Healey Funeral Home, Haddon Heights, where her Funeral Service was celebrated. Interment was at Berlin Cemetery, Berlin.