

# Obituary of James Codioli

James Aldo Codioli, 88, a resident of Pequannock, passed away on Wednesday, September 30.

Jim (known to some of his family as Aldo) was born in Omaha, Nebraska, but moved to Brooklyn, New York at the age of four. There he shined shoes, did grocery shopping for the ladies of the neighborhood, and caddied at a golf course to help support his family. He attended the prestigious Brooklyn Tech on a math scholarship. After his sophomore year, Jim's family relocated to Pompton Lakes, New Jersey, where he graduated from Pompton Lakes High School. He was working construction and was remodeling the home of James and Elsie Heslin in 1951 when he met their daughter Joan and fell in love. When Jim and Joan married in 1954, they bought Joan's parents' house on Madison Street and have lived there ever since. Together, Jim and Joan owned and operated the old Orange Trailer Gas Station in Wayne, then Codioli Construction Company. In 1972 they purchased Wayne Haven Nursing Home; they both studied and earned their Administrator's licenses and ran the nursing home for 19 years before retiring in 1991.

Jim is survived by his wife Joan (Heslin), his sons James and Joseph (and Sandy), his daughters Joanne (and Doug) Zecher and Janet (and Douglas) Toner, 12 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren (plus 3 on the way!), and his sister-in-law Patricia Codioli. He was predeceased by his parents Joseph and Irene (Pietrantonio), his siblings Virginia LePore, Joseph, Elvira Budesheim, ReneAnn Sylsbury, and Frank, and his grandson Jaymes.

Funeral services are private, but a memorial/celebration of life will be held on Sunday, November 15, from 1:00 to 4:00 at the Holy Spirit School Parish Center in Pequannock. Donations in Jim's memory may be made to the Heslin-Codioli Scholarship Fund, payable to Holy Spirit School, 330 Newark Pompton Turnpike, Pequannock NJ 07440.