



## John M. Porto

August 15, 1937 - August 13, 2023

John M. Porto Sr., 85, of Hudson (Greenport), New York, passed away at home surrounded by his family, on Sunday, August 13, 2023 after a long courageous battle with cancer. Though his outcome was never entirely positive, John never gave up hope and never stopped fighting, even until the very end. His family is eternally grateful for how long he was able to hold on, and the memories that they were able to share because of his courage and strength.

John was born on August 15, 1937 to Anthony J. Porto and Maria G. (Jenny) Sacco in Hudson, New York, both descendants of Italy. After John attended St. Mary's Academy, he graduated from Hudson High School in 1955. He married the love of his life (with whom he affectionately called the girl next door), Nancy Duval, on August 27, 1957. John and Nancy went on to have two children, Mary Elizabeth (Mary Beth) Porto and John Michael Porto Jr. John served 6 years with the Army National Guard Co. B 152 Armored Engineers. After serving, he joined his father and worked as a foreman on the construction of several buildings and sites in the surrounding areas with the Union Local #1000. He and his father went on to start their long-time local businesses, Porto Sales & Service and Greenport Equipment Rental, both located on Healy Blvd. in the town of Greenport. His son, John Jr., would later join them to run the family businesses for more than 45 years. Many members of the community will fondly remember stopping in and shooting the breeze with them throughout the years. While running his local businesses and

raising his family with his wife Nancy, John dedicated himself to serving his community holding several positions including Greenport Police Commissioner for 6 years, Greenport Deputy Supervisor, Acting Supervisor for a short time, Greenport Councilman for 12 years, and served on the Greenport Planning Board for several years. He also served on many community committees and projects throughout the years. John was also a longtime member of the Polish Sportsman Club. He enjoyed spending his free time hunting from his favorite deer stand and spending time with his family which has grown to include grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

John was predeceased by his father, Anthony J. Porto and his mother, Maria G. (Jenny Sacco) Porto and several other family members. He is survived by his loving wife, Nancy (Duval) Porto, along with their children, Mary Beth (Joseph) Capuano, John (Linda) Porto, and former son-in-law David Garrison. His aunt, Dolly Sacco and her family. His sister, Veronica (Daniel) Kenneally. His brother-in-law, Michael (Grace) Duval and their children along with their families. His nieces, Kristine Kenneally-Davis and Lisa (Mark Marchionne) Kenneally. His grandchildren, Kelly Garrison and Rebecca (James Carver) Garrison, Amanda (Shawn) Briscoe, Ashley Fix (Nick Schram), and Anthony Porto (Sydney Strelec). His beloved great-granddaughter, Aubree Garrison-Carver, and great-grandsons, Cameron Fix, Mason and Cooper Briscoe. He is also survived by several other family members and friends.

Services will be private and at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Cavell House re New York Oncology Hematology - Community Cancer Foundation at [newyorkoncology.networkforgood.com](http://newyorkoncology.networkforgood.com). John, along with his family, deeply appreciated the dedicated and compassionate care provided by the team at NYOH during his lengthy battle with cancer.

# Tribute Wall

JM

“ *Our condolences to The Porto Family..  
Many memories on Ten Broeck Avenue and talks "over the fence".  
Hopefully, memories of his infectious laugh and smile will help you  
all through this touch time.*

*Janie*

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**Jane Mack** - August 17, 2023 at 04:40 PM

JA

“ *Our deepest sympathies to all of you. So many great memories and  
chats "over the fence" and on Ten Broeck Ave growing up. May his  
wonderful smile and laugh provide you with strength now. Janie*

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**Jane** - August 16, 2023 at 11:21 AM

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“ *Rebecca lit a candle in memory of John Porto*



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**Rebecca** - August 15, 2023 at 09:15 PM