

## **Obituary**

**Died:** Thursday, December 29, 2016

Leo Raia, 80, of Terryville, formerly of Cape Coral, FL, husband of Lori (Evangelista) Raia passed away December 29, 2016 at Bristol Hospital.

Leo was born January 3, 1936 in NY, NY, son of the late Joseph and Stella (Battaglia) Raia. He was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War. Prior to his retirement, he owned and operated Raia Custom Upholstery. Leo was a talented painter, an avid fisherman, loved the casino. He loved to eat and drink and have fun, He was a Tiger! He was a member of the Ten-2-One Artist Club The Fine Arts Connection of Thomaston.

Leo is loved by everyone who ever met him. His joy for life showed in everything he did. He was often heard saying: "I live life my way!" and boy did he!! Nothing slowed him down. He loved his family and his friends and he loved to eat, drink and laugh!

Besides his wife he is survived by his daughters, Lisa Ciufu of Terryville, Linda Raia of Waterbury, Laraine Raia and her companion Tadd of Beacon Falls, Lucy Raia and her wife, Anna Burke of Sparta, NJ; his brother, Sal Raia of PA; his sister, Frances Balducci of NY; his grandchildren, Lori, Steve, Jason, Patrick, Kate, Joseph, Korrine, Matthew, Megan, Nate, Emma, Adam, and Seth; his great grandchildren, Fiametta, Alexa, Leo, Ollie, and Nick and his dog Jersey.

A celebration of life will be held Saturday January 7, 2017 at The Brass Horse, 87 New Hartford Rd., Barkhamsted, CT, from 12:00 to 3:00PM

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Assoc., 5 Brookside Dr. Wallingford, CT 06492.  
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## **Service Summary**

### **Celebration of Life**

Sat Jan 07, 2017

### **The Brass Horse**

87 New Hartford Rd.  
Barkhamsted, CT

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### **Visitation**

12:00 PM to 3:00 PM, Sat Jan 07, 2017

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