

John L. Gambino III

September 8, 1982 - August 28, 2016

John L. Gambino III, 33, of Boyertown, formerly Phoenixville, passed away on Sunday, August 28, 2016.

John was a 2001 graduate of Phoenixville Area High School, where he played basketball and was a member of the state champion baseball team. He enjoyed playing softball throughout his adult life.

A hard worker, John lived for his children, always having 2-3 jobs like his father before him. Along with his humor, John will be remembered as a loving and loyal friend and teammate who put others first and was always willing to help whenever he was needed.

John is survived by his two children: Jackson L. Gambino and Khloe M. Gambino, both of Boyertown; mother: Jo Marie Crist, of New Tripoli; brother: Justin S. Gambino, of Phoenixville; sister: Jocelyn A., wife of Greg Maurer of Tucson, AZ; maternal grandmother: Anne Solliday, of New Tripoli; wife: Kelly M. Gambino, of Pottstown; many aunts and uncles; and one niece and nephew. He was preceded in death by his father, John L. Gambino Jr.; paternal grandparents: Patsy G. and John L. Gambino Sr.; and maternal grandfather: Thomas R. Solliday.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend his funeral service on Thursday,

September 1, 2016 at 6:00 pm, at the Trinity Evangelical Congregational Church, 66 S. Limerick Road, Royersford. Officiating will be the Rev. James R. Roth. Friends will be received from 3:00 - 5:45 pm. Memorial contributions may be made in John's memory at www.youcaring.com/jocelyn-maurer-635007. Arrangements are being handled by the Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home, Inc., Phoenixville. Condolences may be offered online at www.PhoenixvilleFuneralHome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 1. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Trinity Lighthouse Church
66 South Limerick Road
Royersford, PA 19468

Funeral Ceremony

SEP 1. 6:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MI

“ I was at the end of my pregnancy and with every person commenting "you didn't give birth yet" I was growing more frustrated. When I saw John for the first time in awhile I braced myself to hear him ask what every single person had asked. Instead in John fashion he asked "what the heck have you been eating?" Made me laugh. Lightened the mood as always. He is truly a loss. Thoughts and prayers.

Michelle - September 09, 2016 at 12:57 PM



“ So there was this time at Genuardi's where John and I were stacking spaghetti sauce and it was a large handtruck. We were complaining about customers and how they would sometimes barrel down the aisles with carts. This lady comes barreling down the aisle with her cart and bumps into the handtruck and it starts to teeter, John and I both try to grab it but it falls over and all the spaghetti sauce falls and most of it shatters. I look and John and he says "S*\$t happens" and we both just laughed. I always had fun working with him and he was a great guy. We caught up on facebook a few years ago and all i can say is that he was the best sort of people.

Scott Mazei - September 01, 2016 at 06:08 PM

SH

“ John you are in God hands right now rest in peace you will be missed but we will keep you in our hearts.



Stella M Haegele - September 01, 2016 at 10:31 AM



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Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home - August 31, 2016 at 09:08 PM

LR

May he forever be in your heart. My sincere heartfelt condolences to the family. Lisa Roberts Tucson AZ

Lisa Roberts - September 01, 2016 at 04:59 AM

TK

Our sincere condolences to John's family. Chris Carter, Tracey King and the DePaul Softball family.

Tracey King - September 01, 2016 at 06:29 AM

TC

Gone to soon... I will always remember the cute little red headed boy that ran over to my house everyday! I will truly miss you Johnny! 💜

tina carfagno - September 01, 2016 at 06:30 AM

ML

Such a handsome young man gone too soon devoted n lovable father anyone could ever have ever asked for gonna miss talking to you everytime i went to wawa may you rest in peace prayers to your beautiful children n family

Ms henrietta or Ms lear - September 01, 2016 at 08:38 AM

SJ

Gives me chills! You were a wonderful guy! Rest in peace friend!

Sarah Johnson - September 01, 2016 at 11:49 AM

BM

*What a beautiful tribute to a son, brother, father and friend so deeply loved! Sending the whole family our deepest condolences.
Brandon and Teresa Moe (Tucson, AZ)*

Brandon and Teresa Moe - September 01, 2016 at 12:53 PM

BD

That video was a beautiful tribute thoughts and prayers are with the family

Barbara DeCarlo - September 01, 2016 at 02:49 PM



Michele
Dunleavy

Too appropriate of a song,, good man, great kid, great Dad, great friend, what a team player. too soon. Sad all around. Bless Him, he is good where he is at now.

Michele Dunleavy - September 01, 2016 at 09:00 PM

AL

A kind young man, a proud, loving father! RIP John, we will take care of your family all of us!

Alicia - September 02, 2016 at 03:26 PM

MC

That was a beautiful tribute. So sorry for your loss. Sending positive healing thoughts to you and your family.

Melba Cope - August 30, 2019 at 01:33 PM

ME

I miss you John your laugh your smile but you are never forgotten💜

Mrs engle - August 31, 2019 at 05:06 PM

AS

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Aunt Sheryl - August 31, 2016 at 07:25 PM

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Aunt Sheryl - August 31, 2016 at 07:01 PM



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Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home - August 31, 2016 at 12:14 PM

RH

“ Seeing how many lives John touched and how much he is loved is a testament to the person he embodies. So many similarities with his own father. A hands on dad, a heart of gold, a generous soul, an optimistic spirit, a contagious sense of humor. He is all those things and so much more to all those who know and love him. To me John is one of my oldest, dearest friends. It didn't matter how much time went by, we always picked up where we left off. Just so easy to talk to and be around. John always made me laugh, and if I needed to be put in my place he definitely let me know. One of the biggest things I admire about him is the fact that he never judged anyone. It didn't matter how many times, or who let him down, he was always forgiving and persevering . I don't know many people that sincere. John is the most authentic, humbled, considerate person I know. Not hearing his voice or seeing his face again is unfathomable to me. I'm overwhelmed with sadness but I know he would not want me to be. Instead I'm going to make a promise to him to strive to live more the way he did. Always helping, always forgiving, never judging, always smiling, continuously optimistic. I am forever changed . In order for me personally to find peace in this insurmountable loss, I am going to watch over his "Littles" here on Earth. I know he will always be with them, watching them through life, smiling down with all his love. I'm so happy you get to be with your dad again. "It's been a long day from where we began and I'll tell you all about it when I see you again." (Ditto)💔
Love and miss you always JLG,
Rachel (DiRado) Higgins



Rachel Higgins - August 31, 2016 at 12:05 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of John L. Gambino III.*



August 31, 2016 at 08:07 AM



Barbara Mattiola

“ *Rough around the edges sometimes but a heart of gold. A hustler and would do anything for his friends. Most importantly, he embraced fatherhood like a champ. Was so proud and grateful for those 2 little angels. My heart breaks for them, so little...may those close to them always remind them how important they were to him.*
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Barbara Mattiola - August 30, 2016 at 08:52 PM



Michele Dunleavy

Very well stated Barb and I only recently discovered from what I have heard or read that he was a CHAMP DAD and that is AWESOME! He was John and truly smiling all too often!

Mrs. Dunleavy(Mrs. d.) former PAHS HPE teacher

Michele Dunleavy - September 01, 2016 at 08:56 PM

MG

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



MGav - August 30, 2016 at 06:18 PM

HA

“ Heather Arney lit a candle in memory of John L. Gambino III



Heather Arney - August 30, 2016 at 05:15 PM

KK

“ Rest in Peace, John.. You were one of the great ones. Always a pleasure to bump into you and chat for a few. You will be truly missed and we'll see you on the other side, kid.



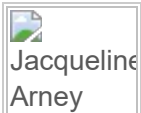
Kelly Knight - August 30, 2016 at 01:43 PM



“ You will forever be remembered I'll never forget the fun I had watching you and your sister grow up into wonderful adults! Fly high John!!



Debbie Himes Zerr - August 30, 2016 at 01:16 PM



“ Jacqueline Arney lit a candle in memory of John L. Gambino III



Jacqueline Arney - August 30, 2016 at 11:25 AM

NC

“ You were a great man John, and even a better father. I'm going to miss our talks. Always giving me good advice, even if I didn't wanna hear it. You were gonna tell me anyway. Any project I was doing at the time you were willing to help me with. That's the kinda guy you were. You were amazing. I'm going to forever miss you. Rest Easy bud, I'll catch you on the other side. Keep an eye on my sister up there. Love you.



Nicholas Ceneviva - August 30, 2016 at 11:22 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of John L. Gambino III.



August 30, 2016 at 11:00 AM

BS

“ Brian & Amy Smith purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of John L. Gambino III.



Brian & Amy Smith - August 30, 2016 at 09:12 AM

KB

“ I love and will miss ya, Kid!

Kim Burnett - August 30, 2016 at 08:04 AM

BS

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Brian Smith - August 30, 2016 at 07:33 AM

BS


John - You called me a few weeks ago to congratulate me on the upcoming baby and told me how great fatherhood was going to be. You gave me crap, as only you could, and called me "old-fashioned" when I said we were waiting to find out the sex of the baby. You went on about what it meant to be a father and how much fun life was going to be with kids. It's hard for me to believe that this would be the last time we would get a chance to talk and catch up. I've sat around these past few nights looking at pictures and going through all of the memories together in my head and it hurts so much. You were always there for your friends and had the biggest heart of anyone I knew. You're going to be missed by so many but will never be forgotten. You've touched so many people throughout your life and all the memories we have of you will guide us through these tough times. Keep a watchful eye over us from above. Love you!

Brian Smith - August 30, 2016 at 08:00 AM



“ *John i am so gonna miss watching you play with the kids . You were a big kid yourself we miss that beautiful smile already .John you were a Great daddy and friend so i want you to know it was an honor to know you.We will help keep your memory alive .hug my son for me . you will be missed*
F

F Redie - August 30, 2016 at 06:59 AM


Michael
Jr.

“ You were a Super Man to so many. i miss you and these times.
Your friends and I will look after your family here as you look down
on us all. I love you John, through it all, bad times and good. May
you rest in peace my little brother



Michael Jr. - August 30, 2016 at 06:26 AM

JA

“ I'm laying here in bed with Jackson looking at
your pictures. He wanted to give you a green
candle and sing the "Happy Birthday song".



Jackson - August 30, 2016 at 05:34 AM



“ Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the
family of John L. Gambino III.



August 30, 2016 at 05:27 AM

RY

“ Champs



ryan - August 30, 2016 at 04:31 AM

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MGav - August 30, 2016 at 03:43 AM

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MGav - August 30, 2016 at 03:41 AM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of John L. Gambino III.*



August 29, 2016 at 11:29 PM

KE

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Kelly - August 29, 2016 at 10:07 PM

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“ John with Khloe Mae ❤️



Kelly - August 29, 2016 at 09:58 PM

KE

“ John with Jackson Louis ❤️



Kelly - August 29, 2016 at 09:57 PM

CR

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craig - August 29, 2016 at 09:49 PM

CR

I fucking miss you

craig - August 29, 2016 at 09:57 PM

RZ

This picture is great

Ryan Z - August 30, 2016 at 07:00 AM