



Raymond Anthony Cocozza

February 11, 1938 - July 25, 2014

Raymond Anthony Cocozza, of Schuylkill Twp. PA, passed away on July 25, 2014 at Seasons Hospice of Phoenixville. He was the husband of Joan A. (Pryor) Cocozza.

He was born in Philadelphia to the late Achille and Xaviera "Kitty" (Spiewak) Cocozza. Raymond was a teacher at Bala Cynwyd Middle School. He was also a member of St. Ann's R.C. Church. He was a devoted family man, adventurous traveler, avid photographer, and voracious reader.

In addition to his wife of forty-two years, he is survived by a daughter, Christine J. Cocozza, of Pottstown, PA; brother, Michael Cocozza and wife Nancy, of Langhorne, PA and several nieces and nephews. He was also preceded in death by a brother, Philip "Duke" Cocozza, husband of Mary, of Elkins Park, PA.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, July 30, 2014 at 6:00 PM at St. Ann Chapel, Main St. at Fourth Avenue, Phoenixville, PA. Officiating will be Rev. John J. News. Friends will be received from 5-6:00 PM. Burial will be private. Online condolences may be offered at www.phoenixvillefuneralhome.com. Arrangements are by Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home, Inc., Phoenixville, PA.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 30. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

St. Ann Chapel
604 South Main Street
Phoenixville, PA 19460

Mass

JUL 30. 6:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JM

“ *Wondering if Christine would like to hear my memories of her Father when he was a very young man? He was my neighbor On Catharine St. in Philly. I was about 4or 5 years younger. His Mother Kitty was a wonderful and Beautiful Spirit.*

John La Motta - July 23, 2025 at 11:20 AM

AL

“ *Dear Aunty Joan & Cousin Christine,*

Please accept my sincere sympathy for your loss. I enjoyed your family visits to Australia, Down Under will not be the same without a visit every now and then from Uncle Ray and you all.

Thoughts are with you at this time.

Celebrate the life of your loving husband, life partner, father and friend.

Andrew XOX

Andrew Lamb - August 03, 2014 at 06:16 PM

JC

Dear Andrew,

Thank you for your lovely message. So now it's your turn to visit us in the U.S.!

Love from Aunty Joan

Joan Coccozza - August 06, 2014 at 12:53 PM



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Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home - July 30, 2014 at 10:11 AM

MD

Dear Joan and Christine,

Please accept my deepest sympathy on the loss of your dear husband and father. His passing leaves all of us deprived.

I taught with Señor, always Señor, at Ardmore Junior High School and later at Bala Cynwyd Middle School. Through those many years, his energy, his enthusiasm for teaching and learning never diminished. He loved his students, and they loved him back.

As his colleague, I remember a man who lived his life with joy, honor and distinction. In remembering him today, I am the beneficiary still of his generous legacy.

Marlou DeHoratius

Marlou DeHoratius - July 30, 2014 at 02:45 PM

JC

Marlou,

Thank you for your heartwarming memories, and for your presence at the funeral Mass on Wednesday.

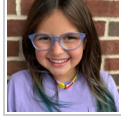
Joan and Christine

Joan Coccozza - August 01, 2014 at 03:12 PM

FR

We love you Ray. Beautiful song by Joan. Great photos by Christine. You will always remain in our hearts forever. XO

Franny - August 01, 2014 at 06:57 PM



Beautiful!

Patty Rew - August 02, 2014 at 09:23 PM

EC

*An old student at bcms
Coco with a zz A
Also lunes, martes, miercoles, jueves, viernes, sabado....and I
remember to this day thanks to señor Y Domingo!!!! He is missed but
never forgotten !*

eugene christmas - July 03, 2016 at 03:01 AM

JM

*While understanding this is very much belated I'm saddened to hear
about Raymond. I knew Ray - he was my neighbor - in South Philly,
600 Block of CathArine St. I was a few years younger Than Ray and he
was a great guy. Excellent baseball player. Shortstop. Used to take us
to St. Charles in the summer to swim.have a few more distinct
memories. His Mother Kitty was a beautiful and wonderful spirit!*

John La Motta - July 23, 2025 at 11:31 AM

LC

“ Dear Joan and Christine,
I send to you my great sympathy in the loss of your dear and wonderful husband and father.
Señor was a great light in my years at Bala Cynwyd. His classroom lit up the otherwise dreary halls in our early days of working together. His classroom was filled with light, music, the sound of children's excited voices, and was always plastered with the colors of the rainbow. I believe this was a reflection of how he lived his life. He was a man of honor, a joyful and inspiring teacher with great expectations, and a true and loyal friend.
What I remember most about him, was the overwhelming love he had, and expressed, for both of you.
May knowing how much he loved you, how much he meant to others, and may your own wonderful memories help you through this difficult time.
Lynne Curry

Lynne Curry - July 29, 2014 at 10:01 PM

JC

Lynne,
Thank you for sharing these wonderful memories, and thank you for your presence at his funeral Mass. He would love to have been there to see you because he loved and respected you too as a person and a teacher.

Joan Coccozza - July 31, 2014 at 11:54 AM

SB

“ A wonderful neighbor, he enjoyed laughter, he will always be remembered. My sincere condolences,. Steve Bayus

Steve Bayus - July 29, 2014 at 08:33 PM

JC

*Steve,
Thank you for your remembrances and for honoring him by your presence at the Church.
Joan*

Joan Coccozza - July 31, 2014 at 11:49 AM

JD

“*Thank to Señor Coccozza for being my very first Spanish teacher in 1984-1985 at Bala Cynwyd Middle School. I went on to study Spanish at university, to travel extensively in South America, and to become a bilingual/dual language public school teacher, first in Philadelphia, then in New York City, and now in Montana.*

My early start with Señor Coccozza provided a firm and excellent foundation for my life-long love of teaching and learning Spanish, and it has influenced and will continue to influence the students in my care for years to come.

My condolences to his family and my respects and gratitude to him.

Muchísimas gracias, Señor Coccozza. Que en Paz descanse.

From Jane Doherty, LMHS Class of 1990.

Jane Doherty - July 29, 2014 at 05:16 AM

CC

Jane:

Thank you for your wonderful memories. I am so glad to know that my father helped you to find your path in this world. Being a teacher myself I can only hope to do the same.

Christine Coccozza - July 29, 2014 at 08:47 AM

JC

*Jane,
Thank you for your heartwarming remembrances, and congratulations on your great success in the field of Spanish language and life in general. You must have been his student around 1984 and/or 1985. I would be interested to know what your name was then, as he often spoke about his students and I sometimes helped him enter grades into his book. He had a great memory for his students. I hope you will visit the website's Video Tribute, which Christine put together in his honor. Music was my choice. Thanks for the memories.*
Joan Coccozza

Joan Coccozza - July 29, 2014 at 10:00 PM



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Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home - July 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KV

“ Kate Verbeke purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Raymond Anthony Coccozza.



Kate Verbeke - July 28, 2014 at 01:44 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Raymond Anthony Coccozza.*



July 28, 2014 at 10:35 AM



“ *I am very sorry to hear of Senor Coccozza's passing. Ray and I working together at BCMS many years ago. As a new teacher, I admired Ray's passion and enthusiasm for teaching. He touched many lives over the years and I am sure that he will be remembered fondly by many.*

Bob Salladino - July 27, 2014 at 10:21 AM



Bob- Thank you so much for this memory. It means a lot to us to know that he is remembered.

Christine Coccozza - July 28, 2014 at 12:49 PM



Bob- Thank you for this memory. I am also a teacher and it means a lot to know that you thought of him as a great educator too.

Christine Coccozza - July 29, 2014 at 08:46 AM

FV

“ *Franny Spiewak Valentino lit a candle in memory of Raymond Anthony Cocozza*



Franny Spiewak Valentino - July 26, 2014 at 08:44 PM

CC

Franny-

Thank you for this gesture. It means a lot that you are thinking of my Dad.

Christine Cocozza - July 29, 2014 at 08:45 AM