



Dr. Nicholas F. Massa

November 6, 1923 - October 15, 2022

Nicholas Massa passed away at his home in Bradenton Florida on October 15, 2022. He was born in Rochester NY to Salvatore Massa (deceased) and Concetta Lubrano Massa (deceased) and was raised in Brooklyn, with his five siblings. He served in the US Army as a medic in the European theater during WWII. He taught 6th grade in Garden City, NY while completing his education to become a school and clinical psychologist. He served as Chief School Psychologist in Plainedge NY and then Farmingdale NY. He also had a full-time private practice, taught as an adjunct Professor for 42 years at Hofstra University and many other professional and educational activities. He continued working as a psychologist and lecturer into his 90's.

Despite his extremely busy professional schedule, he also made time to marry Rose Abrams Massa (deceased) and raise three children Diane Massa, Alan Massa (deceased) and Paul Massa (deceased) as well as contribute to and adore grandchildren Emily Massa, Luke Massa and great granddaughter Eka Joy Anzures.

When you have made it through almost 99 years of a full and varied life there is too much to say in an obituary format. What his family, friends and loved ones want you to know was his keen intelligence, his fierce love of experiencing and learning new things, his generous heart and his empathetic ear. He and Rose travelled the world, loved to cook and entertain, eat out, go

to the theater, expose their children to museums, culture and food and had a large group of friends with whom they maintained relationships for many, many decades.

Later in life as a widower he married Gloria Insua Massa and continued to be active and travel and have a full and rich life doing the things they most enjoyed. He valued his relationship with Gloria's children, Rodriego, Ximena and Jason Prieto and also greatly enjoyed his step grandchildren Michelle, Camilla, Lucas and Valeria. He is survived by two brothers, Tony Massa and Eugene Massa, nieces, nephews, great nephews and nieces, daughters-in-law, a son-in-law and a large group of friends and admirers.

On a personal level, to know Nick was also to share his great passions for friends and family, good conversation, a great sense of humor, the ability to laugh at oneself. He loved to discuss world affairs, human behavior and comparative cultures and religions. He also loved tennis and boxing as well as running and working out, playing tennis and dining. And of course, food, especially wine, chocolate and ice cream.

A memorial service will be held at the Toale Brothers Funeral Home Chapel, 912 53rd Ave West, Bradenton, FL 34207 on Saturday November 5, 2022, at 1pm.

In lieu of flowers the family is requesting donations to The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) or Consumer Reports ([donate.consumer.org](https://www.consumer.org)).

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV 5. 1:00 PM (ET)

Toale Brothers Funeral Home & Crematory - Bradenton Chapel

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Tribute Wall



“ Nick gave me my first job as a School Psychologist in Farmingdale, NY. My father had just died and he pretty much stepped in. We enjoyed many meals together in New York and Florida. My mother rented Nick's Bradenton apartment for several winters. I think about him and his family quite often. He had a huge influence on my life.

Sandra Edelmann - March 28, 2024 at 08:02 PM

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“ Love, Marcy and Michael Kennelly purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Dr. Nicholas F. Massa.



Love, Marcy and Michael Kennelly - October 30, 2022 at 05:01 PM

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“ Nick was a wonderful person. We both enjoyed getting together with him at his son Paul's home. He will be missed, and our deepest sympathy goes to the entire family.
Our thoughts are with you all,
Marcy and Michael Kennelly

Marcy Kennelly - October 30, 2022 at 04:53 PM

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Thank you Marcy and Mike, Diane

Diane Massa - November 05, 2022 at 12:02 AM