



Carmelo Ballaro Jr.

April 26, 1948 - October 31, 2021

Carmelo Ballaro Jr., age 73 of Glendive, Montana passed away on Sunday, October 31, 2021 at the Glendive Medical Center in Glendive. Private graveside services with military honors will be held. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Carmelo was born on April 26, 1948 in Norwich, Connecticut to Carmelo and Mary (Hughes) Ballaro. At a young age he moved with his mother to California where he was raised and educated. Carmelo graduated from Abraham Lincoln High School in North Hollywood, California. Following high school, he enlisted in the United States Navy and served two years before receiving his honorable discharge. Carmelo then enlisted in the United States Marine Corp and served two years including one tour of duty in Vietnam before receiving another honorable discharge.

Upon returning to California, he hitch hiked all the way back to Connecticut and started working at the Thermos factory where he met Dorothy M. Brogno. They were united in marriage on January 10, 1972 and to this union one son was born. Carmelo worked various construction jobs throughout his life, usually as a welder until his retirement in 2008. In 2015, they moved to Glendive to be closer to family.

Carmelo loved spending time with his grandchildren and always stayed busy doing yard work and trimming trees.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Carmelo is survived by his wife, Dorothy M. Ballaro of Glendive; his son,

Carmelo III (Mary) Ballaro of Glendive and four grandchildren, Arien Rose Ballaro, Carmelo Ballaro IV, Jamie Marie Ballaro and Abigail Raye Ballaro. Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: www.silhafuneralhomes.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Carmelo Ballaro Jr.*

December 07, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was purchased for the family of Carmelo Ballaro Jr..

February 19, 2022 at 09:54 PM



“ *I remember my brother Carmelo and always looked up to him. I remember when he sent letters home and in one of them he talked about a fellow Marine with a Mohawk haircut but when we picked him up, watching him come down the bus with that Red hair standing up...it was him! On one of his visits he shaved my head and me March, willingly I obeyed...when he shot himself i was there. Blood everywhere..anyways...Rest in Peace - tell Mom, Mary and Linda I miss you all, your little brother Charles*

charles - February 19, 2022 at 09:37 PM



“ *My deepest sympathy to you and your family. My mother was Uncle Carmelo (Buddy) Ballaro's oldest sister Esther F Ballaro Wise , I'm Barbara Baca Wise, Camelo's first cousin. Carmelo will be in our prayers. Love Barbara & Ed Baca, Santa Fe, New Mexico*

Barbara Baca - November 04, 2021 at 06:22 PM

EH

“ I'd walk around the block with my brother and we'd often see Carmelo in his yard and we'd stop to talk about the prices of peaches and prunes. A very personable man, kind-hearted. Just a rarity among all the "I don't cares" in this world. Please accept my deepest condolences. -- Eliese Hrubes



Eliese Hrubes - November 04, 2021 at 12:17 PM

DA

“ Our neighborhood is forever changed with Carmelo's passing. We lost one of the "good guys" - always a smile, a cheerful word, an ever-present sense of humor and perhaps a bit of mischief. God speed our friend. In friendship - Craig & Deb Anderson

Deb Anderson - November 04, 2021 at 12:08 PM

TE

“ I am so sorry for your loss CB. Hugs to you and Mom.

Terry - November 02, 2021 at 01:28 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Carmelo Ballaro Jr..



November 01, 2021 at 09:52 PM

DW

“ Rest in peace my friend, I will miss our chat sessions. I will miss you.....Dan

Daniel L. Walz - November 01, 2021 at 04:52 PM

TC

Sending prayers to the family. So deeply sorry for your loss. He was a frequent visitor in our furniture store. He will be missed. Tina

Tina Carter - November 02, 2021 at 11:17 AM