



Charles Francis Costello, Jr.

July 13, 1940 - January 5, 2024

Charles Francis Costello, Jr., of Stamford, CT passed away peacefully on the afternoon of Friday, January 5, 2024. He was 83 years old.

Charles was born on July 13, 1940 in Chester, PA to the late Charles Francis Costello and the late Eleanor Frances Shields. He attended Drexel Neumann Academy, graduated from Villanova University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Chemistry, and received his law degree from the New England School of Law. Charles was a proud Veteran of the United States Navy, where he served on the USS Willard Keith (DD-775).

In 1963, he met the love of his life, Margaret Lena Ellerkamp, while he was on leave from the U.S. Navy. They married on June 15, 1968.

Charles had a wonderful career as a Patent Attorney, working for corporations like American Cyanamid in Stamford and BASF in New Jersey. Upon retirement, Charles continued to practice law, enjoyed time with his grandchildren, gardening, and many international traveling experiences with his wife.

Charles was a devoted husband to his wife, Lena, and a dedicated father to their three boys. Married for 52 years, they supported each other, raised a family together, and enjoyed vacations from the Jersey Shore to Marco Island.

As devout Catholics, Charles and Lena were very active members of St. Cecilia Parish. Charles was a loved and honored member of the Parish Men's Group.

Charles is survived by his three sons: Charles (Suzanne), Thomas (Jaime), and Matthew (Stephanie); grandchildren: Tripp, Emma, Noah, Melody, Brody and Andy; one sister, Anne Adelman; a very close cousin, Kathleen Haentjens; and many nephews, nieces, and cousins. He was predeceased by his wife, Lena; his parents, Eleanor and Charles; and his brother-in-law, Walter Adelman.

The family welcomes relatives and friends on Thursday, January 11th from 4 pm to 8 pm at the Bosak Funeral Home at 453 Shippan Avenue in Stamford. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Friday, January 12th at 10:30 am at the Parish of St. Cecilia-St. Gabriel at 1184 Newfield Avenue in Stamford. His burial will follow at the Queen of Peace Cemetery on Rock Rimmon Road in Stamford where he'll be laid to rest next to his beloved wife.

To make a remembrance for the family, please visit the family guestbook at www.bosakfuneralhome.com or www.facebook.com/bosakfuneralhome

Cemetery Details

Queen of Peace Cemetery

124 Rockrimmon Road
Stamford, CT 06903

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 11. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bosak Funeral Home & Cremation
453 Shippan Avenue
Stamford, CT 06902

Funeral Mass

JAN 12. 10:30 AM (ET)

Saint Cecilia Church
1184 Newfield Avenue
Stamford, CT 06905

Tribute Wall

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“ On behalf of the St. James Catholic High School Alumni Association and his 1958 classmates, I extend our deepest sympathies and prayers on your loss. On May 3, 2026, the Alumni Association will remember Charles at their annual Memorial Mass at St. Madeline's Church in Ridley Park, PA. May he rest in peace!



John Mooney - October 05, 2025 at 01:21 PM

JU

“ Matt, we so sorry for the loss of your father and the children's grandfather.

May your dad rest in peace and soar with angel's.

George and Judee Bourque

judee - January 10, 2024 at 07:47 AM

MP

Charlie, Tommy, and Matt... So sad to hear of Uncle Charlie's passing. You're all in my thoughts and prayers. Find peace that he's with Grandmommy and Granddaddy now and can rest comfortably in heaven with them and their Lord.

Marylouise Adelmann Policastro - January 10, 2024 at 08:28 AM

LB

Dear Matt,
You and I both know that he is in no more pain and will be greatly missed,,may you find peace in yr heart to know he will always be looking down on you and your family waiting to be with all of you again ...thoughts and prays are with all of you 🙏🙏

Lea Beeube - January 10, 2024 at 09:18 AM