



Ernest "Ernie" Antonio Manaois

March 11, 2026

Ernest "Ernie" Antonio Manaois, 75, passed away on March 11, 2026, surrounded by his family. Born in Hawaii, Ernie later made his home in Woodbridge, Virginia, where he built a life centered on family, hard work, and humor.

Ernie attended St. Louis Catholic High School before he was drafted into the United States Army.

Following his service, he dedicated many years of his career to the United States Postal Service, where he was known for his strong work ethic and reliability. Outside of work, Ernie found joy in life's simple pleasures. He loved hunting, playing the guitar, riding motorcycles, traveling, and spending time working in the yard. Whether outdoors or at home, he was happiest when keeping busy and spending time with his family and friends.

Ernie will be remembered most for his sui generis personality. He was a man of many words, often telling jokes that no one quite understood and inventing words no one had ever heard before. His

sense of humor and unique way of expressing himself brought laughter and warmth to those around him. One of his favorite sayings, "help me help you" perfectly captured his spirit-always willing to lend a hand while sharing a smile.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 47 years, Patricia Manaois; his son Ernest Antonio Manaois II and wife Lindsay; his son Christopher Sean Manaois and wife Caitlin, along with their children Gemma, Mara, Carmen, and Christopher Jr.; and his daughter Courtney Metry and husband Nicholas, along with their daughter Amelia and a grandson expected in August. He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather who took great pride in his family.

A viewing will be held on May 6 from 6:00 to 8:00p.m. at Miller's Funeral Home, located at 3200 Golansky Boulevard. A Mass of Christian Burial will take place on May 7 at 11 a.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church.

Ernie's legacy of laughter, love, and individuality will live on in all who knew him.

Previous Events

Viewing

MAY 6. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Miller Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc.
3200 Golansky Blvd.
Woodbridge, VA 22192
703-878-CARE (2273)
<https://millerfuneralhome.net/>

Mass of Christian Burial

MAY 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church
18825 Fuller Heights Road
Triangle, VA 22172

Tribute Wall

SD

“ *Sissy & Ohana (Sonny & Betty's daughter) purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Ernest "Ernie" Antonio Manaois.*



Sissy & Ohana (Sonny & Betty's daughter) - May 06 at 03:54 PM

LL

“ *Laura Lynch purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ernest "Ernie" Antonio Manaois.*



Laura Lynch - May 06 at 08:42 AM

JS

“ *Jim and Suzanne Stewart purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ernest "Ernie" Antonio Manaois.*



Jim and Suzanne Stewart - May 05 at 08:41 PM

OM

“ *Orlando & Laurel Manaois purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Ernest "Ernie" Antonio Manaois.*



Orlando & Laurel Manaois - April 28 at 04:28 PM

MJ

“ Michael J. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ernest "Ernie" Antonio Manaois.

Michael J. - April 27 at 11:17 AM

JS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



jim stewart - April 20 at 10:20 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ernest "Ernie" Antonio Manaois.

April 20 at 07:37 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ernest "Ernie" Antonio Manaois.



April 20 at 07:37 PM

OC

“ On behalf of the '68 St. Louis HS & St Theresa '64 classmates of Ernest, it's with heartfelt sympathy sending Ernie's Ohana (family) warm thought wishes through your journey ☐. “E ho' omaha me ka malahia (rest in peace) Ernie!” 🙏



Orlando Manaois, cousin - April 17 at 07:58 PM