



John Anthony Alestra

November 13, 1937 - May 19, 2019

John A. Alestra, 81, passed away on Sunday, May 19, 2019. Born on November 13, 1937 to the late Dominick and Mary Alestra in New York. John enjoyed playing and teaching the piano. Survived by loving wife, Atsuko Alestra; brother, Joseph Alestra; sister, Mary Scocca. Services will be held privately.

Comments



“ John taught my young son at the time how to play the piano in Honolulu, HI. He was very patient and had a very pleasant, happy disposition. He once shared with me and my wife that he played at a funeral at a large cathedral as a young musician for a prominent underworld type person in New York. He said they gave him a huge gratuity.

We found him very interesting with his many entertaining stories!

Timothy Yuen - January 14 at 07:55 PM



“ Mary Scocca lit a candle in memory of John Anthony Alestra



Mary Scocca - May 29, 2019 at 02:10 PM



“ Uncle John was a great man.He grew up in South Brooklyn.The son of Dominck and Mary Alestra.He was an accomplished pianist.He enjoyed the martial arts.His love of Japan and Italy was profound.UncleJohn lived in Lindenhurst,Long Island.He loved fishing.His brother Joseph,my father enjoyed fishing with him.The two would always reflect on life.The old neighborhood and the people they knew.My uncle was a very intelligent man.May God bless him and his wife Atsuko who took very good care of him.We love you.Joseph.Florence, Mary and Melissa .

Melissa - May 26, 2019 at 05:55 PM



“ Heaven has gained a wonderful pianist. John started playing the piano at the age of 6. He was an accomplished concert pianist for the Choir at St. Peter's College. John was a protégé of the well know music teacher, Ernesto Berumen of New York. His knowledge of accompanying operatic singers was outstanding. John had many passions one of which was the study of Marital Arts. He enjoyed the fine art of various cuisine. But I know his favorite was Italian.

John is my brother, I will miss his funny emails about food. I know he is in a far far better place and is dining at the best restaurants.

Namaste John. I love you, Mary Alestra Scocca

Mary Scocca - May 23, 2019 at 11:33 PM