



Carmine A. "Carm" Grieco

January 29, 1935 - January 7, 2022

Carmine A. "Carm" Grieco, of Hughesville, passed away on Friday, January 7, 2022, at UPMC Muncy. Carm was born on January 29, 1935, in Lock Haven, and is the son of the late Carmine and Gertrude M. Grieco.

While in Lock Haven, Carm played for the Little Team baseball team. He played in the very first Little League finals in 1947 where he claims he had 2 doubles against the Maynard team. Carm was very proud of his Little League heritage and threw out the first ball at the Little League World Series in 2017. If you were his friend, you likely had a Little League baseball hat or t-shirt that he gifted you.

Carm's family opened Community Drug Store in Williamsport when Carm was in his early teens. He graduated from Williamsport High School in 1952 and went on to graduate Lycoming College in 1957. Carm was an avid supporter of Lycoming College sports and spent many afternoons at Lycoming football games.

Carm married Patty Stanton at St. Ann Catholic Church in 1957. They moved to Hughesville where Carm began his teaching career at the Wolf Elementary School. Carm taught for 35 years where he made the most impact on the lives of his Hughesville family. During the early years, he and Patty were focused on improving the community by being lifeguards at Beaver Lake where they taught kids how to swim and play a lot of cards with their parents. Carm and Corder Davis organized an elementary football league called the Colts vs Bears where he was the quarterback and coach. Some of his other activities and accomplishments were: Little League Coach, running various summer camps, painting company, Jr. High and Varsity Basketball Coach, organizer of the Crawley Street Golf Tournament, local sportswriter for The Shopper, member of the Hughesville High School Athletic Hall of Fame and West Branch Hall of Fame committees. He gave several people their lifelong nicknames (Giver, Digger, Runo, Buck, Johnny Guitar, etc) and enjoyed attending all his children's and grandchildren's sporting and dancing events. After retirement, Carm ran a sports apparel company called "CarmCo".

During his retired years, he spent a lot of time with his friends golfing, attending sporting

events, and lunching at Orlie's and Mulberry Street Café. He never forgot his students and always loved running into people and reminiscing.

Carm was always proud to help children with their studies and the “important lessons” in life. He was very direct and honest and had a way of connecting with people. He loved to give of himself and it was rare to walk away from Carm without a new hat, shirt, \$10, a soda or a box of cookies.

He is survived by a daughter, Tami (Joseph) Cannici of Huntersville, NC; three sons, George (Jill) Grieco of Williamsport, Tim Grieco of Williamsport, and Vince (Mary) Grieco of Hughesville; two brothers, Larry (Tess) Grieco and Tom (Beth) Grieco; nine grandchildren, Dawn, Courtney, Natalie, Ashley, the late Geordan, Logan, Nick, Kassi and Gracie; 8 great grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, Carm was preceded in death by his first wife Patricia Ann Stanton on April 11, 1996, with whom he shared 39 years of marriage, Carm's second wife, the former Ruth E. Calistri, on April 23, 2020, and by two brothers, Henry and Brian Grieco.

Carm's family is planning on holding a Celebration of Life which will be announced later. Burial will be held privately in Resurrection Cemetery, Montoursville, with Rev. Glenn McCreary officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions to Carm and Pat Grieco Memorial Award C/O Vincent Grieco 375 Chel Dr. Hughesville, PA 17737.

Arrangements have been entrusted to McCarty~Thomas Funeral Home, Hughesville.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family at www.mccartythomas.com.

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

Montoursville, PA 17754

Tribute Wall

CC

“ Sending my deepest condolences to the Grieco family. Mr. Grieco was my 6th grade teacher. Competitions at the chalkboard are my favorite memory of his class. I am certain he made an impact on the entire community. May he rest in peace.

Carolyn Clayton

Carolyn Clayton - January 20 at 03:56 PM

RN

“ A one of a kind man's man, best friend to my dad, character, and my godfather. Carm was A very very fine human being and I will miss his good heart and ability to lighten up my dad like nobody else. If you didn't know him, you missed out. Much love to the Grieco's especially Larry as he has list so many brothers so close together.
May God give Carm immediate entry into paradise and enduring consolation to his family at this sad time.

Rebecca Noviello - January 15 at 05:56 AM

SG

“ My heartfelt sympathy for your loss. Sonny had a charismatic personality. I will always remember his distinctive voice, contagious laugh, and wry sense of humor. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Cousin Susan

Susan M Grieco - January 14 at 05:51 PM

DS

“ Sending my deepest sympathy to the entire Grieco family.
Carm was my 6th grade teacher, mentor and fellow teacher at the “Wolfer “
He was...”To Sir With Love”

*Donna Bartlow Springer
Bartow, Florida*

Donna Bartlow Springer - January 14 at 07:07 AM

DS

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Donna Bartlow Springer
Bartow, Florida

Donna Bartlow Springer - January 13 at 07:19 PM

SC

“ Prayers are with the family of Carmine Grieco! I think all my kids run into Carm somewhere during their school years. Dave Crawley especially with playing Junior High Basketball gave him more time with working with him!. I know Dave enjoyed it!
. Thank you to Carm for all he did to help his students throughout the years. You as his family have many favorite memories of Carm! Hang on to those memories and cherish them..

Shirley Crawley - January 13 at 10:55 AM

BC

“ My deepest sympathy to all 🙏. Mr. Grieco was my favorite teacher of all. He taught me, in 6th grade, and required respect and encouraged education. Competition on the blackboard with the class in teams, with team names, was a highlight of my memories. 😊

Becki Charles - January 12 at 11:36 AM

NY

“ I wish to extend my sympathies to the family of Carm Grieco. I have heard many a story of his teaching days from him and spent many a fun evening with Ruthie and him at dinner parties in their home on Second Avenue. I know he loved to play golf with his buddies, esp Steve Decker. He was a fine person who loved his children and I know it's so hard to lose a father or grandfather. You were loved by him . Sincerely , Nan Young

Nan Young - January 11 at 11:06 PM

MR

“ I was so sorry to hear about my 6th grade teacher passed. He was a great teacher and good memories. Thoughts and prayers to all his family.

Margacetta (Millheim) Reeser - January 11 at 08:30 PM

JM

“ I was so lucky to have him as a 6th grade teacher and coach in the 59 / 60 school year at Hughesville Wolf Elementary. He, more than anyone else I can think of, did more for Hughesville sports. The only low point for me in 6th grade, was at the end of the school year the students that did not receive the “paddle” during the year received the honor the last day of school. Lots of great memories.

John McConnell - January 11 at 06:51 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Melanie Ryder - January 11 at 02:04 PM



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Melanie Ryder - January 11 at 01:59 PM

RH

“ I am sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Grieco.

May he rest in peace.

My sincere condolences to the family of Mr. Grieco.

Way back in the dark ages, Mr. Grieco was my confirmation sponsor, when I was confirmed at the Church of The Resurrection (Old church building) in Muncy.

I had Mr. Grieco as my teacher when I attended elementary school (6th. grade) in Hughesville.

Richard Holmes

Richard Holmes - January 11 at 11:51 AM

JM

“ I loved Carm Grieco. The man was like a father to me for many, many years. I have so many memorable stories. One that I would like to share that I feel sums Carm up best takes place when I was in high school. I was part of the legendary Carmine Grieco paint crew. My partner in those days was Chris Davis and we spent many hours frantically trying to finish someone’s house while our leader, Carm, supervised from below (pretty certain I never witnessed Carm on an actual ladder!). There were a handful of occasions when Carm would suddenly need to leave for an “appointment” and would tell us that he would return with hoagies for lunch. Now, it is possible that Carm actually did return with those hoagies on some days, but I only remember the times when Chris and I would wait and wait, become weaker and hungrier by the minute in the blazing sun with no subs to speak of!

Fast forward about 25 years....Chris was now a teacher and did some painting in the summer as a side gig. I helped him when I could, and I remember this one time when we were painting a house in Hughesville when Carm pulls up out of the blue around noon one day. He gets out of his truck and announces that he has the subs he said he would get us for lunch. It was vintage Carm. I almost fell off the ladder in laughter.

The one thing Carm could always do was make me laugh. I could go on forever with ‘Carm’ stories in which I just laughed and laughed. I will forever be thankful for that.

He was much more than just comedic relief, however. He was also always there for me, willing to help me with anything I needed. He would take me to Bucknell basketball games or out to lunch every couple of weeks, just as a way to stay in touch and get a sense of how I was doing. When I was coaching, Carm is the one who would reach out to me after another difficult game. He truly became like a father to me over the years. I loved that man. There was never another Carm Grieco and there never will be again!

John Myers (Johnny Guitar)

John Myers - January 11 at 11:27 AM

RE

amen.

Rebecca - January 14 at 10:40 AM

BA

“ We moved to Hughesville in November of 1961 and I went in to Mr. Grieco’s class. So many memories...I learned fraction multiplication and division quickly in the game of Competition! What fun! We had a Vocabulary Notebook. Each week we chose any five words from the dictionary and copied the entire entry. On Fridays we would take our notebook up to his desk and he would ask us the definition of each word. We had a Draw Fred Flintstone contest. After lunch we had free time outside and we walked over to Montgomery’s and got taffy, played hopscotch and jumped rope. Lovely memories.
Deepest sympathy to his family.

Bonnie Aten - January 11 at 10:15 AM

TA

“ I continue to be proud to be the daughter of such a beloved individual ❤️ Vince congratulations on capturing the true father we knew

Tami - January 11 at 09:54 AM

CC

“ Harry and I have fond memories of Carm and Pat growing up. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family.

Harry and Carol Faus Crawshaw

Carol Crawshaw - January 11 at 08:17 AM

MR

“ Prayers for comfort and peace to Carm's family .. especially his granddaughters .. had the pleasure of knowing him for the past 2 decades and always enjoyed our visits. RIP old friend it's time you can enjoy playing ball again

Mel Ryder - January 11 at 07:03 AM

JS

“ My deepest condolences for your loss.

Julie Sholtis - January 10 at 07:06 PM

SP

“ I am so sadden by the death of "Mr. Grieco". Carm and Pat and their 4 children were a huge part of our Aderhold Family over the years. They touched each of our lives in so many special ways. Carm was our Santa Claus for many years, my 6th grade teacher, coach of my brother's midget football team and my cheerleader coach, swim teacher at Edgewood Country Club and Beaver Lake and close friend to my parents, Ed and Reanna. I cherish the memories of our after school dances, our girls' traveling basketball team and being a part of his classroom. I was fortunate over the years to keep in touch with Carm. I had the pleasure of becoming friends with Ruth and having visits to their home and long phone calls with Carm. I regret not getting to talk to him or see him one last time. He will be remembered by all of those in Hughesville whose lives were enriched by knowing "Mr. Grieco". Sue Aderhold Powers

Sue Aderhold Powers - January 10 at 02:44 PM

RT

“ Some of my treasured childhood memories growing up in Hughesville include time spent with Mr. Grieco and Mrs. Pat Grieco. May God comfort you all as you reflect on his life well lived.

Rhonda Treese-Koch - January 10 at 10:14 AM

CH

“ We are so sorry to hear of Carm's passing. He truly had an awesome memory for sports. He will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Steve and Cathy Houseknecht



cathy houseknecht - January 10 at 09:01 AM

SS

I'm so sorry to the Family. Sending Love and Prayers !! Carm was a TRUE LEGEND....Carm was Hughesville. Shelley Smith

shelley smith - January 10 at 12:58 PM

DH

We are so sorry to hear this. Carm was and always will be known as "Mr. Hughesville". He was such a great man. Prayers to the extended families. Keith & Dorothy Holmes

Dorothy Holmes - January 10 at 02:37 PM

DB

Mr grieco was a great man and 6th grade teacher he gave me nickname Bunny don bartlett

Don bartlettdon29@gmail.com - January 10 at 07:56 PM

KW

Memories of 6th grade Wolf School and Mr. Grieco encouraging us to dance during inside recess, cheer for the football teams, and expected our best in the classroom. He made 6th grade good. He will be missed sitting with family and friends at the Silverthorn. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Steve and Kathy Hall Whipple

Kathyann whipple - January 10 at 08:28 PM

MS

I am so sorry to hear of Carm's passing but am so glad I was able to stop by and see him at his "new apartment" in December after having dinner at the family restaurant. My husband, George Way, just loved running into Carm and bantering with him on and on. Those two were really a pair. Now they are all up in Heaven and going at it again - forever and forever! Heaven will never be the same. Love and prayers, Marilu Slattery-Way

Marillu Slattery-Way - January 11 at 08:54 AM

KP

My most sincere condolences to the Grieco family. Carm was probably my favorite teacher of all time and is part of some of my fondest memories of 6th grade. And no matter how many years later when I saw him, he always greeted me with a smile and a hearty "Treese-y!" (Then asked if I was playing any basketball lately). I'm so glad I got assigned to his classroom, God-speed to heaven Mr. Grieco.

Kate (Treese) Pysher - January 11 at 12:30 PM

PM

Everyone wanted to be in Mr. Grieco's class! I was one of the lucky ones. Competition was such a great way to make teaching fun and interesting. I also remember him letting us go the cafeteria and to dance to the Beatles!! what fun that was. I was lucky enough to see him occasionally over the years. He was a great teacher-my favorite except of course for my dad! He also was a great caring person. His children were lucky to have such wonderful interesting exciting parents! I was very happy for him that he found a new partner to share his life with after Pat died.

Pat Montgomery - January 25 at 10:02 PM