



New Jersey City University Senate

Remembrances of Dr. Joseph Riotto

December 4, 2017

Dr. Joseph J. Riotto

Joseph Riotto was born on September 19, 1950 in Chicago, IL. He was the son of the late Charles and Josephine Riotto.

Joseph and his wife, Jeannine, were married July 23, 1978. He was a graduate of Weber High School in Chicago. He earned a Bachelor's degree at Loyola University, a Master's degree at Roosevelt University, and his Doctorate from Nova Southeastern University. A "gentleman" scholar Dr. Riotto was a Professor at New Jersey City University. Beloved by his students and colleagues alike, he was the President of the University Senate and Treasurer of the New Jersey City University American Federation of Teachers Local 01839. He also taught courses on occasion at Centenary University in Hackettstown and was a Certified Public Accountant. Joe was a family man first and foremost and enjoyed doing things with his three children. He was an avid sports fan and followed all his Chicago teams very closely, especially the Blackhawks. He could often be found working on his car or on various projects around the house. He loved traveling to Italy where he visited his many cousins in Palermo or his mother's hometown of Castellana-Sicula in Sicily. He was somewhat of a dog-whisperer and will be missed by the family dogs, Trooper and Bella.

He was a member of Ss. Philip and James Catholic Church where many Saturdays he could be found calling bingo in Mercy Hall. He was also a 4th Degree Knights of Columbus.

In addition to his beloved wife, Jeannine, he is survived by daughter Raffaella Riotto of Flemington, NJ; son Giancarlo and wife, Teresa, Riotto of Milford, NJ and daughter Lucia Fedele and husband, Nicholas of Eatontown, NJ; and the light of his life, his 20 month old grandson, Luca Riotto. His beloved dog, Enzo, died earlier.

Remembrances

Dr. Regina Adesanya

Dr. Gloria Boseman

Dr. Joshua Fausty

Dr. Max Herman

Ms. Donna Piscopo

The podium will be open to any member of the NJCU Community to share remembrances of Dr. Riotto.

Memorials may be made to the John Felice Rome Center of Loyola University Avanti Campaign (JFRC Avanti), Dept 4336, Carol Stream, IL 60122-433