



**10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY**



# The Joe Garassino Foundation



Dear Joe Garassino Foundation Sponsor,

We hope that you and your family are doing well. We are happy to announce we will be holding our *10th Annual Joe Garassino Golf Tournament and Foundation Dinner* this year. Our mission of helping families battling cancer in our community has not been forgotten and is even more important during these challenging times.

We are committed to continuing to give to cancer recipients for the 2022 year and hope you will consider making a donation. We have been able to provide funds to several families who are battling cancer in our community this year and all because of your generosity in the past. We would not be here without you.

With your support, we can keep Joe's memory alive and help families in our community who are battling cancer. Having a cancer diagnosis is terrifying and lonely and our community is making a difference to those in need. More than ever, our greater Waterbury community needs our love and support.

Thank you for all you have done over the years to sustain the mission of the Joe Garassino Foundation. We are doing something very special in our community by supporting each other and helping families who have been diagnosed with cancer.

Wishing you and your family health and happiness always.

Sincerely,  
Mike Garassino, *President*

**Joe Garassino Foundation Inc.**  
**PO Box 81, Watertown, CT 06795**  
*You can also make your gift online at: [www.joegarassino.org/donate](http://www.joegarassino.org/donate)*  
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**Mike Garassino at (203) 592-0001 or [mike@mgarassino.com](mailto:mike@mgarassino.com)**

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# Message from the Joe Garassino Foundation President

Cancer touches the lives of many in our community and it seems we all know someone who is battling this illness or a family who has been affected. Cancer is the epidemic of our time.

In 2013, I lost my only son, Joe, to an aggressive and rare cancer. The Joe Garassino Foundation was established in my son's memory to help others fighting cancer in the greater Waterbury, Connecticut area. Due to the donations and generosity of our greater community, we have made a real impact in our community. We have donated \$160,000 over the last 9 years to help over 55 local resident's afflicted with cancer including:

- Sean Agunda - 30 years old
- Fred Ariola - Dear friend
- Aiden Bigos - 9 years old
- Jayden Bracey - 15 years old, sophomore at Waterbury Academy with a rare cancer
- Nicholas Burgio - 3 years old
- Liam Cahill - 7 years old
- Jose Campanario - 16 years old, tennis player
- Josie Cavallo-Cole - Mother, Wife, LPN at VNA
- Annie Chicoine - Mid-40's, Breast Cancer survivor
- Anna Clement - Mother of 4 children, stage 4 cancer
- Tim Cocchiola - 45 years old, father & husband
- Theresa Combs - 19 years old
- Katherine E. Consalvo - Watertown PTO, sports mom
- Sheila Cooper - Loving wife
- Diane Currier - 55 years old
- Paul DeCarolis - Fireman
- Angelo DeFeo - 12 years old
- Jennifer Demuro - College student
- Megan DiPietro - 36 years old, mom of 3 young children
- Steve Eazarsky - 41 years old, Watertown Golf Course
- Jaden Edwards - 17 years old, attending Kaynor Tech
- Jay Fairhurst - 37 years old, dear friend
- Téa Fernandez - 3 years old
- Matty Garcia - 8 years old
- Tim Gavallas - Policeman
- Javier Gonzalez - 16 years old
- Roosevelt Green - 21 years old
- Jennifer Halpin - Mother of 13 year old son
- Edward Iadarola - Local Jeweler
- Mitchell Kamph - 20 years old
- Kendall Lord - 4 years old
- Brittney Mann - 29 years old
- Brayden Marrero - 3 years old
- Khloe Martinez - 6 years old
- Silas Matthew - 4 years old
- Ethan McGettigan - 3 years old
- Linval Mills - 14 years old
- Kim Tobin-Mix - Mother of 2 children
- Griffin Moore - 22 years old
- Christopher Norcera - 43 years old, dear friend, U.S. Marine
- Greg O'Brien - Communications Supervisor for Watertown Police & Fire Departments
- Darik Pearson - Lead singer of Darik and the Funbags, stage 4 Prostate Cancer
- Jacob Roger Poulin - 5 years old, hockey player
- Duncan Ralicki - 15 years old
- Kathleen Santiso - Dear friend
- Kathy Scully - Watertown Principal and Teacher
- Jon Seniors - 17 years old
- Bob Simko - 58 years old, U.S. Navy
- Andrea Strachan - Single mom
- William Stevens - Watertown Attorney
- Scarlet Tzunam - 6 years old, Leukemia
- Sophie Tzunam - 5 years old, Leukemia
- Lynn White - 54 years old, single mom of 4 children
- Xander White - 5 years old
- Dorota Wilk - Taft Graduate, CFO Rumsey Hall, Hill School & Hopkins School

The Joe Garassino Foundation has also supported local organizations including the Make-A-Wish Foundation, the Harold Leever Cancer Center of Waterbury, CT, the Elizabeth M. Pfriem SWIM Center for Cancer Care of St. Vincent's Medical Center, Bridgeport, CT, and the Target Cancer Foundation.

The hole in my own heart will never heal, but together we can make a difference in the lives of families in our local community. Thank you for your help, without your generosity, compassion and contribution, none of this would be possible.

Sincerely Yours,  
Mike Garassino, *President*

## *In Loving Memory:*

*Katherine E. Consalvo • Sheila Cooper • Paul DeCarolis • John Donato • John Duffany • Steven Eazarsky  
Jaden Edwards • Kimberly Geremia • Christopher Norcera • Jacob Roger Poulin • Matthew Semple • Kathy Scully*