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After 102 wonderful years of life, 74 years of happy marriage, 62 years as a father, 37 years as a grandfather, and 8 years as a great-grandfather, Andrew "Andy" John Russo passed away peacefully on November 23rd, 2016 at Covenant Towers Health Care Center. He is preceded in death by his parents, Joseph and Rose Russo and his brother, Anthony Russo. He is survived by his beloved wife and best friend, Jeanne Pullman Russo, adoring daughters Christine Dix and Barbara Leake, his loving grandchildren, Kristen Cetraro (Dax), Allison Standiford (Adam), and Leslie "Skip" Dix III, his darling great-grandchildren, Louis "Louie" Dax Cetraro and Joseph "Joey" Andrew Cetraro, and his dear sister, Angeline Antolini.

Andy was born on April 4th, 1914 in Fredonia, New York. After graduating from high school, Andy received a band scholarship to LSU where he played trombone in the marching band. He was a member of the ROTC at LSU and after graduating with a degree in Forestry, he enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corp (later to become the U.S. Army Air Force). On June 5, 1942, he married the love of his life, Jeanne Pullman. They were the first couple to be married in the chapel at Tyndal Field (now Tyndal Air Force Base) in Panama City, Florida. Andy was a communications specialist on active duty during three wars. He was stationed in Germany during the Korean War, then later in Japan and finally in Hawaii, giving his family the opportunity to live and travel

around the world. Andy retired as a Lieutenant Colonel in 1964 after 24 years of service. He also received a masters of business administration degree from George Washington University in Washington, D.C.

Upon retiring from the Air Force, they made their home in Fairfax, Virginia where Andy worked at the CIA as an Air Force representative. Andy and Jeanne retired in 1979 to beautiful Myrtle Beach, South Carolina where they bought a lovely home, played golf and spent time with their many friends. In 2003, Andy and Jeanne moved to Covenant Towers retirement community in Myrtle Beach.

In his final days, Andy was surrounded by his loving wife and daughters. He left this world in the same way he lived his life, strong and kind, brave and peaceful. Andy is most remembered for his unfailing love for his wife, Jeanne. We have all been blessed to have witnessed their true love story.

The family wishes to express their gratitude to Covenant Towers Health Care Center for the many years of loving care which they gave to Andy. A celebration of Andy's life was held at Covenant Towers on Sunday, November 27th, 2016.

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Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.