



## Minotto "Uncle Mo" J. Cortese

December 30, 1937 - January 21, 2022

Minotto "Uncle Mo" J. Cortese, age 84, of Export, PA, died on January 21, 2022. Born in 1937 to Italian immigrants and raised in Braddock, Mo proudly served in the US Army, from which he was honorably discharged in 1958. He spent his career as a molder at Mesta Machinery in West Homestead, from which he retired in 1983. Mo devoted much of his time to hunting, fishing, and all things rustic and outdoors. He traveled far and wide for his sport, including trips to Wyoming, Montana, and British Columbia. He lived for decades on his own private mountain, aptly named Mo's Mountain, in Schellsburg in Bedford County. There he attended to his mountain and his sport, but, ultimately moved to his Export home to be closer to his family. Mo was everyone's favorite uncle and storyteller, and he used that position to mentor generously. Mo was loved and held dear by many: his late parents Joseph and Clara (Molinaro) Cortese; his late sister R. Shirley (Cortese) Masi and her late husband Thomas; his late brother Peter Cortese and his wife Donna; and his last surviving aunt, Ida Haupt. Most noteworthy are all who called him Uncle: the late Karen (Masi) Roebuck Schlanger and her children Nicholas, Alexander, and Zachary Roebuck; James Masi; the late Dino Cortese; Gina (Cortese) Schafer and her children Bryan and Paul Yurinko and Raymond and Danielle Schafer; the late Lisa Cortese; Mario Cortese and his children Caleb and Kyle Cortese; plus many great-great nieces and nephews. Even people outside his family called him Uncle, most notably Charlie, Bob, and Jeff Scripp. Mo also leaves treasured cousins, friends, gym buddies, coffee shop

companions, and neighbors. The family will receive friends Saturday, January 29th from 11 a.m. till time of blessing service at noon at the William Snyder Funeral Home: 521 Main St, Irwin, 724-863-1200. Interment with military honors will follow at Penn Lincoln Memorial Park, North Huntingdon. For online condolences please visit [www.snyderfuneralservices.com](http://www.snyderfuneralservices.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Penn Lincoln Memorial Park

14679 U.S. 30  
North Huntingdon, PA 15642

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 29. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

William Snyder Funeral Home, Inc.  
521 Main Street  
Irwin, PA 15642  
(724) 863-1200  
<https://williamsnyderfuneralhome.com/>

## Blessing Service

JAN 29. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Minotto "Uncle Mo" J. Cortese*

October 07, 2023 at 10:37 AM

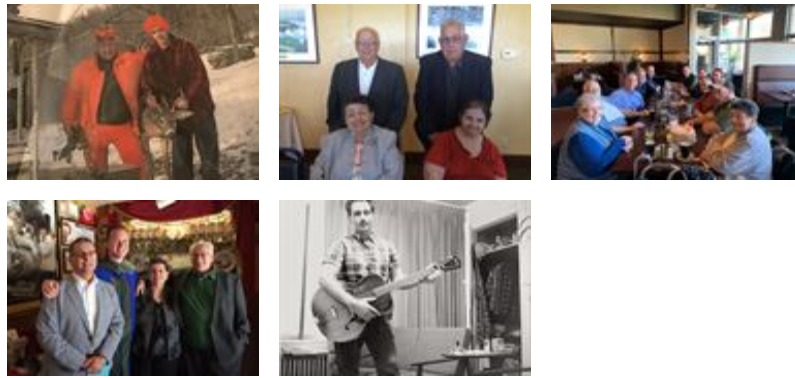


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August 23, 2022 at 04:00 PM



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**William Snyder Funeral Home** - January 28, 2022 at 11:43 AM



“ *The world has lost a fine gentleman. Uncle Mo, as he was known to so many, loved the outdoor world and shared it readily with others, and hosted many friends at his mountain home. I thought the world of him and cherish his memory and that always-ready smile.*

**Timothy Flanigan** - January 24, 2022 at 05:46 PM

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*I am so saddened to learn of the passing of Mo. He was such a strong, loving and generous man. My prayers and condolences to the Cortese family and all who knew and loved him.*

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**Lee** - January 25, 2022 at 07:41 AM