

1. **Vito R. Bertoldo** (December 1, 1910 – July 25, 1966) U.S. Army Master Sergeant awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions in France WWII.
2. **Gianni Versace** (December 2, 1946 - July 15, 1997) Italian fashion designer; founder of Gianni Versace S.p.A.
3. **Col. Francisco Vigo** (December 3, 1746 - March 22, 1836) Italian American frontier trader and merchant, supporter of the American Revolution.
4. **Marisa Tomei** (December 4, 1964 -) Academy Award actress of stage and screen.
5. **Giorgio Cantarini** (December 5, 1992 -) Italian Child actor appeared in "Life is Beautiful" and "Gladiator," both Academy Award winning films.
6. **Major Dominic S. Gentile** (December 6, 1920 - January 28, 1951) WWII "Ace" pilot, first to break Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker's record. Received Distinguished Flying Cross with 4 Oak Clusters; General Dwight D. Eisenhower stated, Gentile was, "One man Air Force."
7. **Louie Prima** (December 7, 1919 – August 24, 1978) Singer, entertainer, actor, musician, and songwriter.
8. **John Anthony Volpe** (December 8, 1908 - November 11, 1994) Former Governor of Massachusetts, U.S. Secretary of Transportation.
9. **Vincent Gardenia** (January 7, 1922 – December 9, 1992) Award winning film, stage and TV actor. Born Vincenzo Scognamiglio, Naples, Italy.
10. **Giovanni Battista Guarini** (December 10, 1538 – October 7, 1612) Italian writer, poet, dramatist, and diplomat.
11. **Fiorello Henry La Guardia** (December 11, 1882 – September 20, 1947) Served 3 terms as Mayor of New York and as President Roosevelt's Director of Civilian Defense.
12. **Frank Sinatra** (December 12, 1915 - May 14, 1998) Singer and Award winning actor. Awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by Ronald Reagan.
13. **Italo Marcioni** (c. 1858 - 1934) Patefs the ice cream cone in New Jersey on December 13, 1903.
14. **Charles Louis Trippi** (December 14, 1922 -) Professional American football player, inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame 1968.
15. **Nicholas Anthony Buoniconti** (December 15, 1940 -) Professional football player, inducted into the American and NFL Football Hall of Fame Played for the Boston Patriots and the Miami Dolphins.
16. **Donald L. Carcieri** (December 16, 1942 -) Rhode Island Governor, business executive, aid relief worker, bank executive, teacher.
17. **Domenico Cimarosa** (December 17, 1749 - January 11, 1801) Italian opera composer – "Il Matrimonio Segreto". Wrote more than eighty operas.
18. **Antonio Stradivari** (c. 1644 - December 18, 1737) Italian luthier, a crafter of stringed instruments.
19. **Alyssa Jayne Milano** (December 19, 1972 -) Film and TV actress/singer.
20. **Michael Badalucco** (December 20, 1954 -) TV and motion picture actor, best known for his Emmy award winning role in "The Practice."
21. **Joseph Vincent Paterno** (December 21, 1926 -) Head Coach of Pennsylvania State University's college football. Team won the NCAA Championships in 1982 and 1986 and the Big Ten Conference Championships in 1994 and 2005.
22. **Giuseppe Bergomi** (December 22, 1963 -) Italian soccer player for Milano - also played for the Italian National Team. Nicknamed Lo Zio
23. **Dino Risi** (December 23, 1916 - June 7, 2008) Italian film director known for Italian style comedy
24. **Harry Warren** (December 24, 1894 - September 22, 1981) Born Salvatore Guastegno. Award winning composer and lyricist.
25. **Filippo Mazzei** (December 25, 1730 - March 19, 1816) Italian physician and a promoter of liberty. Close friend of Thomas Jefferson, helped purchase arms during the Revolutionary War.
26. **Vincent Andrew Schiavelli** (November 10, 1948 - December 26, 2005) Character actor known for his work in films stage and television.
27. **Thomas Michael Menino** (December 27, 1942 -) First Italian American mayor of Boston, MA.
28. **Bill Gallo** (December 28, 1922 -) Famed cartoonist and newspaper columnist for the NY Daily News.
29. **Christina Georgina Rossetti** (December 5, 1838 - December 29, 1894) English poet, wrote romantic, devotional, and children's poems.
30. **Joseph Bologna** (December 30, 1934) American actor and writer.
31. **Alfredo Panzini** (December 31, 1863 - April 10, 1939) Italian novelist and lexicographer.

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