

# Celebrate Guy LaMotta

by **Billy Frenz**

**I** met Guy at the 1974 Benihana Gran Prix in Point Pleasant, NJ...as we were both sneakin' up the Manasquan riverbank to get into the back door of the Hot-Pits Area ... because 5 minutes earlier, they said "NO" to both he and I, ....neither one of us took "NO" as the answer.

...we think alike...and became sincere friends for over 45 years.  
Boat Racing was our common bond.

Guy raced his 27 Magnum with twin- Holman and Moody's and I raced my 20 Bertram.

Then we grew into the 80's and produced powerboat races with Guy supplying the Finish Line Yacht, a big, 53 Huckins with an Italian cook on board making tomato gravy...24 hours a day in the galley , FULL TIME, stewing tomato sauce...you could SMELL your way to his boat!

Our friends Tony Lucarro and Peter Meyer joined in the fun with their 27 Signature...and we made HISTORY. We enjoyed a 10 year run producing a generation of world class boat races with our Gateway Powerboat Regatta/National Powerboat Association Series...Pete Aitkin, Chris and Mark Lavin, John and JD D'Elia, Stu Hayim, are all products of our events... just to name a few.

### Guy may best be described by these words from his nephew, Pat Fay:

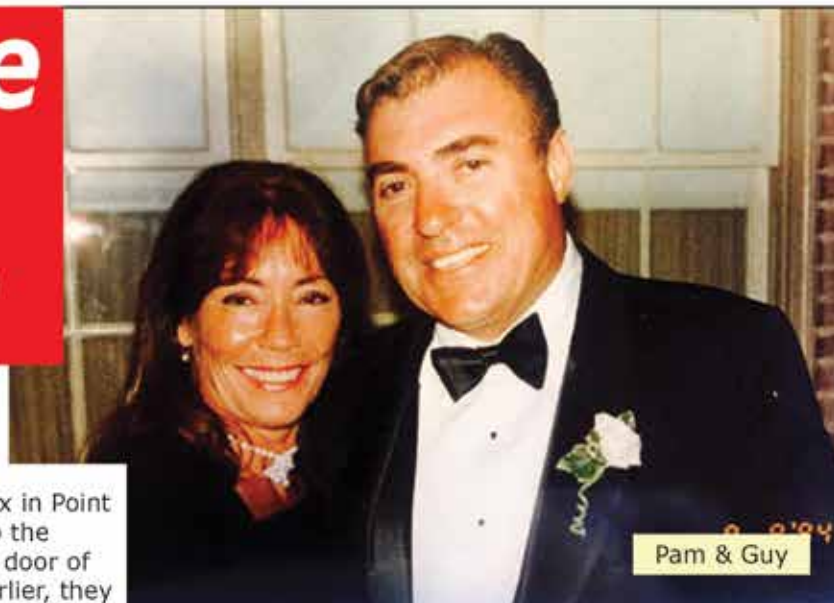
"Guy LaMotta was an encyclopedia of boating information, whether it was about racing, sailing, navigation or marine fabrication and construction, he always had the answer for the problem or question."

"Guy also knew everyone in the boating community from Key West to Maine, we could be at an event or boat show and run into someone from 30 years ago and then end up telling stories of their adventures and escapades together for hours like the time has never passed."

"Guy was the most generous and fun person to be around if you were family and if you were his friend, you were family whether you wanted to be or not. He would always have a crowd

around him listening to stories whether he bought you a drink or was cooking food for a crowd. He was the center of attention if he was in the room, whether he was quiet or holding court."

Guy served in the US Army from 1962 to 1965 and then as Harbor Patrol for the Town of North Hempstead. In 1964 he followed his passion for boats and being on the water. He purchased property and developed Manhasset Bay Marina which has been part of Port Washington for the last 57 years.



Pam & Guy

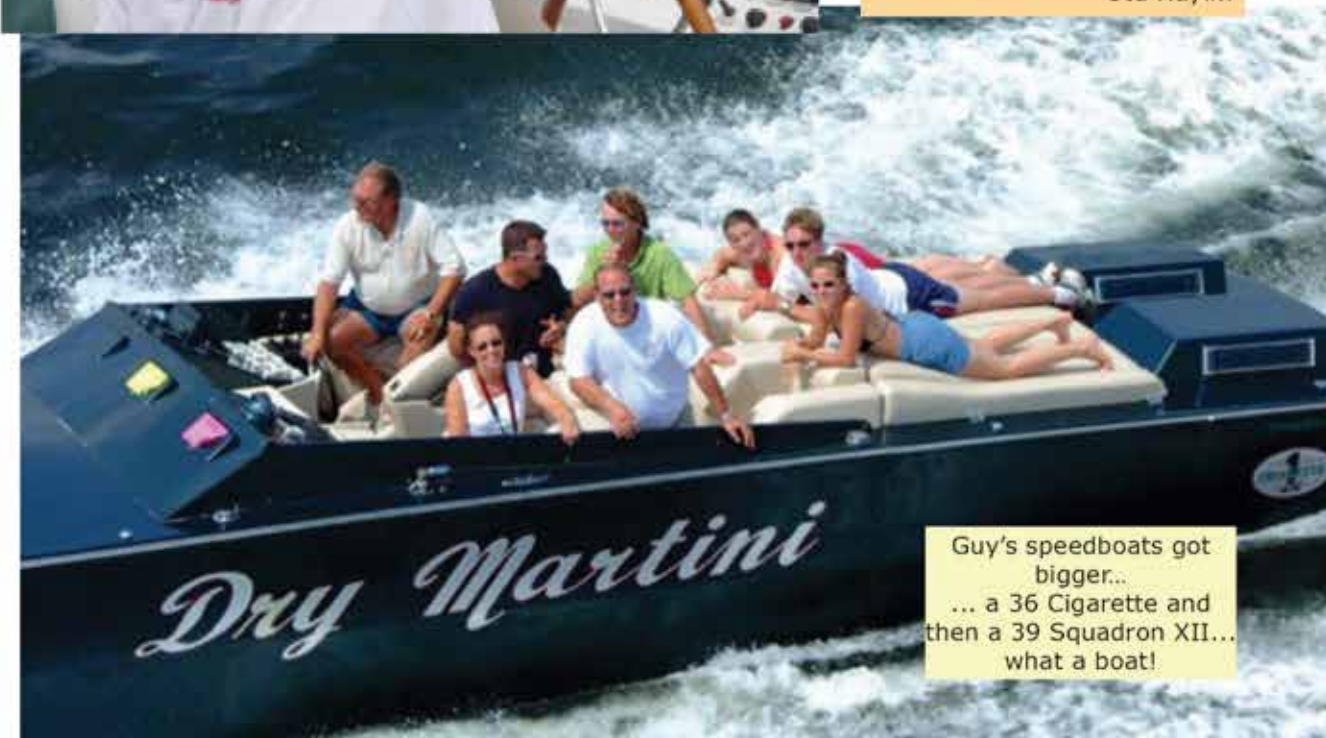


Guy & Rocky Aoki  
Benihana Gran Prix

**Billy Frenz (front)**  
and **Guy LaMotta**  
"... my personal HERO and inspiration for over 45 years...rarely took "NO" as the final answer..from ANY authority."  
Billy Frenz

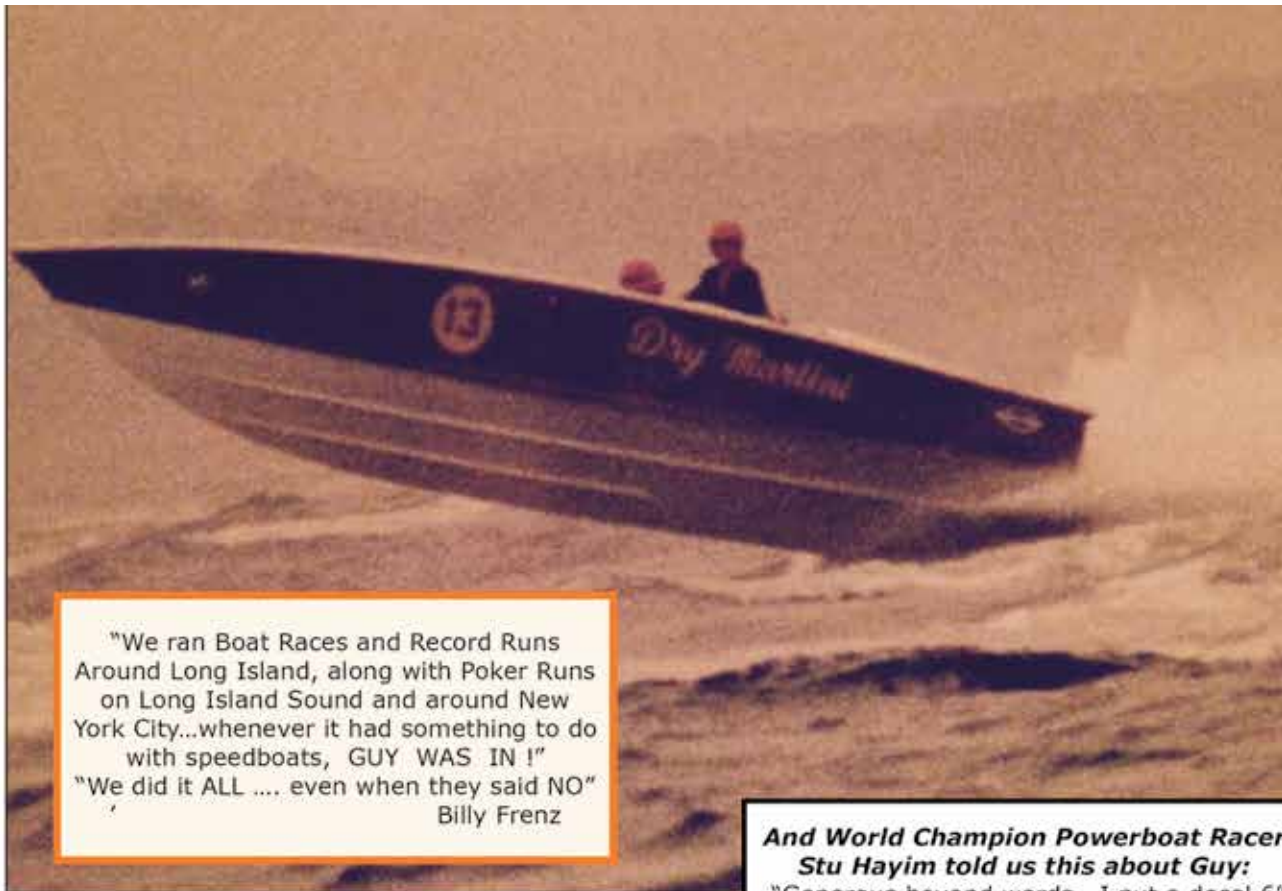


Worldly ..." we used to joke, "who needs the internet when we've got Guy..."  
Stu Hayim



Guy's speedboats got bigger...  
... a 36 Cigarette and then a 39 Squadron XII...  
what a boat!





"We ran Boat Races and Record Runs Around Long Island, along with Poker Runs on Long Island Sound and around New York City...whenever it had something to do with speedboats, GUY WAS IN!"  
 "We did it ALL .... even when they said NO"  
 Billy Frenz

**And World Champion Powerboat Racer Stu Hayim told us this about Guy:**  
 "Generous beyond words. I put a decal 6" around on the side of my 1st Raceboat. In return he promised to launch and retrieve my boat "at cost" for the year. For the following 32 years, including the around LI day, he never once charged me a dime. Spanning 14 boats!"

**My good friend, and yours, Offshore Commission Chairman of the American Powerboat Association Rich Luhrs ... had this to say:**  
 "The fact that his Marina was in my hometown... His restaurant had great food and quality which was his passion... His love of Offshore Racing and its history... His loyalty to Cigarette... His continual hosting of Races and Poker Runs with a smile, ... that, made you feel welcome..."

**We will Celebrate Guy LaMotta on Saturday, August 20th, 2022 at Manhasset Bay Marina with a Poker Run Around New York City and a Party.**

Guy also had a passion for horses. For nearly 20 years he also resided in Saratoga Springs, Where he helped Gabriel and Nicole in building Goodwin Farms.



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**Saturday August 20, 2022**



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 ~ Manhasset Bay Marina ~  
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