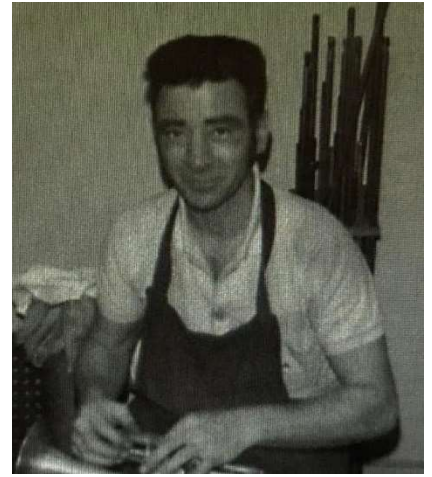


# John F. (Peppy) Pettinato, Jr.

## New York City

- 1939 John F. Pettinato, Jr, is born in Brooklyn, NY. (census)
- 1950s John is working for Vincent Bach as a chief repairman and made most of the Mt Vernon trombones. He also works for Bach on mouthpieces for William Vacciano. (Bob Helmacy)
- 1964 With the closing of the Bach plant, John opens his own repair shop on 48<sup>th</sup> Street in New York. (BH)
- c1970 Bob Helmacy helps John move his shop to 56<sup>th</sup> Street in a space over a Dodge dealership near Broadway. He was a genius repairman. (BH)
- 1991 John dies of a heart attack while riding the subway on September 26. He is buried with his wife Jennie at the St Charles cemetery in East Farmingdale, Long Island. (FAG)
- At the time, he had a shop on 41<sup>st</sup> Street, close to 9<sup>th</sup>, in the basement of Carroll Music Studios. (Dave Rogers)



Mouthpieces are marked "Peppy" or "PHD", which is for a short-lived partnership with Herman Striker (the mouthpiece maker and the first one to leave) and trombone player Neal DiBiase (1918-2000), the money man. (BH)

The mouthpieces were made with old Bach tooling given to Peppy when he left there. (DR)