



## Family Came First

### The Esposito Home

GOSHEN, NY



**F**AMILY CAME FIRST IN THIS EXPANSION AND RENOVATION OF A TRADITIONAL GOSHEN HOME.

How do you create a kitchen as large and functional as many commercial facilities, blend the space into an expanded living area for entertaining, ensure the area is well lit by both natural and artificial light and still maintain the personality of a warm and cozy country kitchen?

That was the challenge the Esposito family presented when they asked Masterwork to make their vision a reality.

In addition to an open floor plan and a very large custom built kitchen island, a pass through window to the living area facilitates interaction between the two spaces. Installation of a second sink and oven, made food preparation and clean up as simple and painless as possible. Creative space allocation allowed for all the storage the family required without cluttering up the room.

Classic pendant lights, multiple finishes and surfaces, numerous architectural components and details finish the environment off with warmth and style. ■■



**“We wanted a really functional kitchen where the entire family could gather and cook, but it’s right in the middle of the house so it had to look great at the same time.”**



### The Esposito Family

**WE KNEW WHAT WE NEEDED WHEN WE DECIDED TO EXPAND AND RENOVATE OUR HOME, BUT DIDN'T HAVE A CLUE HOW TO GET THERE.**

Our entire family of five enjoys cooking together and we wanted a comfortable environment where everyone would have the elbow room to participate. We also do a lot of entertaining and needed a natural flow from the kitchen to the new living area.

Joe took everything in stride, really listened to our ideas and worked seamlessly with our other contractors often delivering early and waiting for them to catch up. He guided the whole process working very closely with our architect and kept communication flowing.

Just as critical, though, was that the spirit of a traditional country-style home be maintained. The last thing we wanted was a modern architectural style or a bunch of stainless steel. By paying careful attention to finishes and materials, he succeeded beyond our wildest expectations.

The final result was a spacious environment that accommodates all of our needs while maintaining a warm and cozy country feel that we're proud to call home. ■■



### Joe's Viewpoint

**ONE OF THE MOST CHALLENGING ASPECTS OF THE ESPOSITO'S PROJECT RELATED TO THE FACT THAT THE ENTIRE FAMILY**

**ENJOYED COOKING TOGETHER.** This meant they needed a great deal of elbow room in the kitchen and equipment had to be strategically placed so that five people could work together at the same time.

Gary is a gourmet cook and extremely detail oriented, so his standards were extremely high. That led to some unusual features, such as dovetail joints and a teak sink connected to the center island that we had to build ourselves in our shop. The family is very tall as well, so we ended up raising things higher than usual like the exhaust hood and dishwasher.

In addition, the family does a great deal of entertaining and were adding a great room on the back of the house that connected to the kitchen. So, we reoriented the back entrance way and did our best to address the whole space by opening the dividing wall with a pass through window that made the rooms airier and encouraged socializing. ■■