



Dennis L. Francesconi

August 31, 2022

Dennis L. Francesconi, 76, passed away on August 31, 2022. He was born into a large Italian family on September 1, 1945 in Cohoes, NY to Joseph and Zelinda Montanari Francesconi. He was the last of nine children and grew up in both Cohoes and Waterford, NY.

Dennis married his loving wife, Carolyn E. Cesare, on September 28, 1968. He was the light of her life and the anchor of her soul. Family meant everything to Dennis. He was a father to Daniel R. Francesconi and Dana R. Francesconi Fox; grandfather to his beloved and precious granddaughters Kate (Katherine) and Kara Fox; brother to Arlene (Dominick) Carnevale, Diane Slater, and Leo Francisconi; and the late Helen (Joe) Gallo; the late Armand, Leonard (Judy), Joseph (Betty) and Ronald (Marilyn) Francesconi. He was a loving uncle to numerous nieces and nephews and a cherished friend to many.

Dennis never met a stranger. He talked up a storm wherever he went and occasionally would whip up a hurricane by debating politics. Dennis enjoyed all types of food and loved going to some of his favorite restaurants such as Gus's Hot Dogs (Watervliet, NY), Ted's Fish Fry (Lansingburgh, NY) and Bella Napoli (Troy, NY). His hobbies included traveling, walking, biking, riding his moped, fishing, honking his car horn, and BINGO. A bit of neat freak, Dennis took pride in taking care of his home and always made sure his car had the

cleanest interior and windows. He would lend a hand whenever he could; was extremely generous of all he had; and would do anything for his family. His laugh was infectious and booming.

Dennis relocated to Charleston, WV in 2008 with his wife to care for his grandchildren. He created many memories there with them. Dennis spent time at McDonald's hanging out with other seniors that frequented there, challenging them with his NY attributes. He grew to love West Virginia, but a part of his heart was always in NY with the rest of his family.

Services will be held on Saturday, September 10 at 10:30 AM at Marra Funeral Home in Cohoes, NY. Interment will be at St. Mary's Cemetery in Waterford, NY. Calling hours are Saturday from 8:30-10:30 prior to services. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the heart fund, cancer society, St. Jude's or as you desire in Dennis's memory would be appreciated.

Cemetery Details

St. Marys Cemetery

Middletown Rd
Waterford, NY 12188

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 10. 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Marra Funeral Home
246 Remsen Street
Cohoes, NY 12047
(518) 237-0206

Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ *My Dad could not keep quiet for more than two seconds. If he were around, you knew it. He enjoyed talking to people. But most of all, he loved his family.* ”

Dana R Fox - October 21, 2022 at 04:01 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Dennis L. Francesconi.* ”



September 08, 2022 at 10:09 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dennis L. Francesconi.* ”



September 08, 2022 at 06:32 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Dennis L. Francesconi.* ”



September 08, 2022 at 04:33 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Dennis L. Francesconi.*



September 08, 2022 at 04:19 PM



“ *What a lovely obituary for my uncle & Godfather. So much to say but I can encapsulate it in a couple of words---always there. Uncle Dennis was always there-at sporting events, life moments-unplanned visits. He showed up. Always. And equally important, La Famiglia e Tutto. Family is everything. Period. Loved my uncle Dennis. He was smarter than most in areas of practical concern like savings and such, he was real-never a false front for anyone, he was generous and loving and present. I will miss him tremendously and will always cherish our last conversation on August 21. Your loving god daughter Lori*

Lori Francesconi - September 08, 2022 at 07:11 AM



Uncle Dennis I hope you know I love you because you always made sure I knew that you loved me. I will miss your laugh, your heart...I will just miss you! Give a hug to Tony, Dad and Mom for me.

Vincent - September 08, 2022 at 07:33 AM



Sorry for your loss Dana, Banny and amAunt Carolyn. Uncle Dennis was truly one of a kind. Beautiful and very truthful (lol) obituary esp with the politics! The best Uncle that anyone could ask for! I will cherish all the wonderful memories ❤️

Lisa Stratton

lisa Stratton - September 08, 2022 at 07:55 AM

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Sorry for loss aunt Carolyn Dana & Danny. He was a great guy I always enjoy talking with him & fishing and never forget the Wop Hop lol it was fun to see all of you guys he will be missed I can't be there because I have Covid love you stay safe Ken & Linda Maloney

Ken Maloney - September 10, 2022 at 08:04 AM

DF

I loved my Dad. He was my person. No matter what, I could count on him. If he said he was going to do something; he did it. If he said he was going to be some place, he was there; usually early.

Even though my Dad prepared me for his death for the last 30 years, I never once imagined my life without him. He would say, "When I die, I do not want you to be sad. Just remember the good times." I am grateful that I had so many good times with him. I am grateful that the last conversation I had with him was not an argument, although he did say he did not like what I had cooked him for dinner. I am grateful that the last time he called to make me to lunch when I was at work, I said yes. I am grateful for this past year because we went on Spring Break Vacation together and to Louisville, two two weeks before he died. I am most grateful that he was my Father. He and my mother did not spoil my brother and I with things. They spoiled us with love.

Dad - This is not "Goodbye". I will see you later.

Dana R Fox - October 21, 2022 at 04:00 PM