



## Mr. Albert "Mutz" D'Accurzio, Sr.

November 28, 1923 - October 2, 2022

NEW HARTFORD - Mr. Albert "Mutz" D'Accurzio, Sr., age 98, passed away on Sunday, October 2, 2022, at the Masonic Care Community with his beloved family by his side.

Born in Utica on November 28, 1923, Albert was the son of the late Amadeo "Mutz" and Mary P. (Andrello) D'Accurzio. Raised and educated locally, he attended St. Mary of Mount Carmel Grammar School and T.R. Proctor High School. A proud veteran of the United States Army, Albert served his country with honor during World War II as a paratrooper in the 11th Airborne Division nicknamed "The Angels". He was stationed in New Guinea, the Philippines, and Occupied Japan, and participated in liberating the Los Banos Prison Camp in the Philippines which became the subject of a book and movie. During this mission, more than 2,000 people were liberated without the loss of life. Among his medals, Al was awarded the Bronze Star.

On April 24, 1948, Al married Rosemary Calogero with whom he shared 33 years prior to her passing on August 19, 1981. He entered into a second union when he wed Shirley Queck on December 10, 1982, a union of 39 years.

For many decades, Al was the owner and operator of the prominent and popular Mutz's Luncheonette located on the corner of Mohawk and Bleecker Street. A loving patriarch, Al always loved gathering with his family for holidays and celebrations. He had an interest in most sports, especially football, when he was watching his grandsons and great-grandsons giving

their all on the gridiron! In his younger years, Mutz played high school and semi-pro football, and to see his two generations playing the same sport, brought a sparkle to his eyes. He also enjoyed traveling and trips to Saratoga Raceway. Sociable and committed to community service, he was a long-time member of the Tau Phi Zeta fraternity. He also performed in St. Elizabeth's Hospital Heart & Lung Fund minstrel shows for many years. As a boy, Al took part in an exchange program with the Italian government, and was honored to travel to Italy, the land of his ancestors.

Albert is survived by his wife, Shirley; son and daughter-in-law, Dr. Albert and Deborah (Manganelli) D'Accurzio; daughter, Marlene D'Accurzio-Anderson; grandchildren, Michael (Carolann Lee) D'Accurzio, Daniel (Colleen Bannigan) D'Accurzio, Allison (partner Josh Andrews) D'Accurzio; and Briana (partner Emily Albers) Anderson; great-grandchildren, Hannah, Michael Jr., Daniel Jr., John and Abigail D'Accurzio. He will also be remembered by his nieces, Mary Ann and Leon DeBernardis Jr., and Teresa Ann and Paul Dunn. Al also leaves Shirley's family who were all very special to him: daughter and son-in-law, Pam and Richard Joswick; son and daughter-in-law, Gary and Carol (Lewek) Queck; grandchildren, Geoffrey (Julia) Queck, Amber (Michael) Fulmer, Ashley (Casey) Grant, and Corrinne (partner Marc Jackson) Queck; and great-grandchildren, Benjamin and Lillian Queck, and Wilder Grant. He was predeceased by his wife, Rosemary; in-laws, Lena (Scala) and Anthony Calogero; and sister and brother-in-law, Genevieve and Thomas Ciotti. Al's family would like to thank his caregivers, especially Dr. El-Khoury, Dr. Olteanu; and Betsy, Kate, and Delilah of the Masonic Care Community for their professionalism and compassion.

Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend Albert's funeral service and Celebration of Life which will commence on Thursday, October 6, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish where his Mass of Christian Burial will be offered with Military Honors conferred by the United States Army. The family will receive visitors at the conclusion of the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Mutz's memory may be

made to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital online at <https://www.stjude.org>. Envelopes will also be available at the service. Interment will take place in St. Agnes Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Agnes Cemetery

601 Arthur Street  
Utica, NY 13501  
(315) 732-8588

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

OCT **6**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary of Mount Carmel / Blessed Sacrament Parish  
648 Jay St  
Utica, NY 13501  
(315) 735-1482

# Tribute Wall

DD

“ Our sincere sympathy goes out to all the family. I have fond memories of "Mutz" who was a good friend of my father's. I recall especially going with my father to his restaurant on Holy Saturday at noon, when Lent ended, and having his famous sausage sandwich and a hot fudge sundae. Great memories. Marge and Tony Dardano

Dr & Mrs. Anthony Dardano - October 10, 2022 at 10:26 AM

MA

Thank you for sharing your memories with us!

Marlene Anderson - October 23, 2022 at 09:32 AM

FG

“ To the family and friends of Albert "Mutz" D'Accurzio, We were unable to attend the funeral in time to express our condolences and sorrow to all of you. Personally, we feel we were very fortunate to be friends with him and to feel the joy he brought with him. We are all better off from knowing him, his friends and his family. We speak for all those he touched over the many years. Very truly yours,  
Frank Giruzzi and Frances Giruzzi

Frank & Frances Giruzzi - October 08, 2022 at 09:53 PM

MA

Thank you! Your friendship always meant so much to him as well!

Marlene D'Accurzio Anderson - October 09, 2022 at 09:29 AM

AA

“ To the D'Accurzio Family,

*Sorry to hear about the passing of your father. He was a true gentleman. I never heard him say a bad word about anyone. I will always remember visiting over the holidays with our families. Great memories!*

*Andy Altieri*

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**Andy Altieri** - October 06, 2022 at 07:51 PM

MA

*Thanks, Andy!!*

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**Marlene D'Accurzio Anderson** - October 09, 2022 at 09:30 AM

CL

“ *Christine Lawrence lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert "Mutz" D'Accurzio, Sr.*



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**Christine Lawrence** - October 06, 2022 at 08:14 AM

CL

*Marlene, Briana, and family, in loving memory of your beloved father, grandfather, and patriarch, my prayers and love are with you always. God Bless him.*

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**Christine Lawrence** - October 06, 2022 at 08:20 AM

MA

*Thank you, my dear friend and thanks for coming to his funeral!*

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**Marlene D'Accurzio Anderson** - October 09, 2022 at 09:31 AM

LT

“ I did not know Mr. D'Accurzio, but have had the pleasure of working with his son, Dr. Albert D'Accurzio. Noting Dr.D'Accurzio's qualities, and reading his father's obit., it is noted that "the apple doesnt fall far from the tree". My condolences to Dr. D'Accurzio, and his family.

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**Lynne Marchitelli Toussaint** - October 05, 2022 at 07:04 PM

MA

*Thank you for your kind words!*

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**Marlene D'Accurzio Anderson** - October 09, 2022 at 09:35 AM

CC

“ Marlene, Al, and family..I was very saddened to hear of Mutz's passing..he was a wonderful and kind neighbor to me during my years at Oxford Towne.. he was such a great friend to my dad, who's medical office was above the luncheonette. According to stories I've been told, my dad spent every lunch hour playing pinball at Mutz's! Your dad was icon, and I especially loved his sense of humor, and stories of days gone by..he left a lasting impression on me, and will be sorely missed by many of us lucky enough to have known him..May he Rest In Peace 💔🙏  
With deepest sympathy Claudia

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**Claudia Cardillo** - October 04, 2022 at 10:27 PM

MA

*Thank you for attending his funeral and your friendship!*

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**Marlene D'Accurzio Anderson** - October 09, 2022 at 09:32 AM

RP

“ *Marlene and Family, please accept our most sincere condolences for the loss of your dad. As we read through his obituary, it was crystal clear that his memory will live on in the hearts of the many that he left behind to carry on.*

Rob and Sue Palmieri - October 04, 2022 at 08:54 PM

MA

*Rob and Sue: Thank you for your kind words and your card!*

Marlene D'Accurzio Anderson - October 09, 2022 at 09:33 AM

LS

“ *My parents and I Yesterdays Senior band so sorry to hear about Al RIP you will be miss never forgetting*

Lynda Schmelcher - October 04, 2022 at 08:05 PM

MA

*Thank you!*

Marlene D'Accurzio Anderson - October 09, 2022 at 09:33 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Albert "Mutz" D'Accurzio, Sr..*



October 04, 2022 at 05:30 PM

MA

“ He was the best! To this day I find myself humming “Young Johnny Jones, he a cute little boat”! I still remember “the group” sitting around my yard cooking out and having a few cocktails. The group being, my dad, Uncle Mutz, Rock Doti, and Al Locash! They had fun and love!!!  
God Bless!

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**Mark Andrello** - October 04, 2022 at 05:18 PM

MA

*Those were the days!! What a foursome!!*

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**Marlene D'Accurzio Anderson** - October 09, 2022 at 09:34 AM

MS

“ I can remember running into your Fathers luncheonet when I was a little boy at Mt Carmel school. Mutz was always so nice to us as kids even if we didn't have money. Even though I have not seen him since I was a kid I tell my children stories about that place when we drive . May he rest in peace. Mark Suppa.

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**Mark Suppa** - October 04, 2022 at 01:26 PM

MA

*Thanks, Mark!*

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**Marlene Anderson** - October 23, 2022 at 09:33 AM

JZ

“ All of our lives are made more pleasurable by memories of happy times in our lives. My life is much more complete because of my years of association with Al and all of his family members. From South Carolina where Sandra and I are visiting our grandsons, we extend our condolences. Jerome and Sandra Zamorski

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**Jerome F. Zamorski** - October 04, 2022 at 12:10 PM

MA

*Thanks, Jerry! Those were good times!*

**Marlene Anderson** - October 23, 2022 at 09:33 AM

GC

“ *Very sorry for your loss. Such a great person*

*Gerri Ann Caouette*



**Geraldine A Caouette** - October 04, 2022 at 10:03 AM

AT

“ *So sorry for your loss. He was a wonderful, caring person.*

*Mark & Ann Marie Tolman*



**Ann Marie Tolman** - October 04, 2022 at 09:15 AM

CH

“ *Chris lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert "Mutz" D'Accurzio, Sr.*



**Chris** - October 04, 2022 at 08:36 AM

DL

“ Al, Marlene, and family, sorry for the passing of Al. Always remember seeing him as I passed the luncheonette on Tuesdays to attend religious ed at Mt Carmel. A great man and cousin. May he rest in peace.

David (Lee) Lia - October 04, 2022 at 08:16 AM

JS

“ Marlene, Al, Sherley and family, I am very sorry for your loss. I can't count the times I had lunch at Mutz's With Al, Rosemary and Mary. I loved Al as an "uncle" and know he will be missed. I am sure he is resting in peace.

John Scala - October 04, 2022 at 07:50 AM

JD

“ Albert, we had a beautiful friendship all these years, I will never forget us four couples, especially the weekends at the Otesaga , those were the best ,  
Rest In Peace , Al , you were the best . I wil never forget you 🙏🙏  
😊😊❤️❤️

Jane Doti - October 04, 2022 at 07:21 AM

MA

“ I had my very first Hot Fudge sundae at his luncheonette in the late 50s.  
When I was a little girl. Me and my mom would sit at the counter.  
One of my best childhood memories. 🙏🙏🙏

mary - October 03, 2022 at 07:48 PM

MA

Thank you!!

Marlene D'Accurzio Anderson - October 11, 2022 at 07:04 PM

ES

“ Al was such a wonderful man and neighbor. He was in the same infantry as my grandfather. They were paratroopers in the Army together. Al also joined my grandmother in her band, "Yesterday's Senior Ensemble." I hope he has joined her band once again. My deepest sympathies to Al's family. He was a special one.

Erica Sklar - October 03, 2022 at 07:17 PM

MA

Thank you so much!!

Marlene D'Accurzio Anderson - October 11, 2022 at 07:04 PM

CH

“ Marlene, Al and family - growing up in our neighborhood was so special. All of our parents were "old school" and everyone looked after everyone's kids. I remember your Dad and Mom fondly. Sincere condolences to your family. Cyndi (Guertin) Hatch and Ray Hatch

Cynthia Guertin Hatch - October 03, 2022 at 05:40 PM

MA



Marlene D'Accurzio Anderson - October 03, 2022 at 09:23 PM

MA

Thanks, Cindy! ❤️

Marlene D'Accurzio Anderson - October 03, 2022 at 09:23 PM

CM

“ *Marlene and Family. Wanted to offer my condolences for your loss. It seems he lived a long life, but it never seems long enough. Prayers for your father, you and your family.*



Charmiann Miles - October 03, 2022 at 05:13 PM

MA

*Thanks, Charm!*

Marlene D'Accurzio Anderson - October 03, 2022 at 09:24 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Albert "Mutz" D'Accurzio, Sr..*



October 03, 2022 at 03:45 PM

MD


“ *I have so many memories of my Uncle Al going way back. He loved putting the lobster claws on his nose and throwing orange rinds at an aunt to keep her awake on Christmas. He was a wizard playing the spoons and his timing to deliver a tune was perfect. I'm so happy he came to my house last year to make us laugh as always. I will miss you dearly uncle Al💕Mia*

Mia DeBernardis - October 03, 2022 at 03:19 PM

MA



Marlene D'Accurzio Anderson - October 03, 2022 at 09:25 PM

 Ally  
ZeeStep

“ *I am so sorry to hear of his passing. He was a wonderful person the few times I met him when I was little. I know he will always watch over his girls. Much Love - Allyson Zegarelli Stephenson*

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**Ally ZeeStep** - October 03, 2022 at 03:01 PM

MA

*Thanks, Allyson!! ❤️*

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**Marlene D'Accurzio Anderson** - October 03, 2022 at 09:25 PM