



Mr. Anthony J. "Tony" Fusco

October 9, 1918 - October 11, 2011

Mr. Anthony J. "Tony" Fusco, age 93, of Utica, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, October 11, 2011 at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Anthony was born in Utica on October 9, 1918, the son of the late Patsy and Catherine (DeFazio) Fusco. He was raised and educated locally. A member of the

Greatest Generation and a veteran of World War II, Tony served his country in the United States Army stationed in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater of Operations and was a recipient of a Bronze Star. On July 21, 1947 he married the former Mary R. Lombardo with whom he shared 64 years; their devotion in this marriage

was of their era.

Tony worked for the West End Brewing Company for 33 years, where he also served

as the Bartender in the Hospitality Room at the Brewery during the latter part of his tenure. Tony had an easy-going personality, an outgoing nature, and a charismatic persona, which won him many friendships. He was fastidious in his

appearance and he also boasted a humorous side which endeared him to all. He

found pleasure in a plethora of activities: bowling and earning the honor of induction into the Bowlers' Hall of Fame at the age of 85, parlaying the ponies at Vernon Downs Race Track, playing cards with his friends on Friday nights,

and

of course, pinning his hopes on the New York Yankees. He was a member of the

Teamsters Local 182. He was a parishioner of St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church and

devoted to his patron Saint, Anthony.

Tony is survived by his wife, Mary; his daughters and sons-in-law, Angela and William "Bill" Meola of Utica, and Patricia "Patty" and Dan Sanders of Rome, NY.

Always in his heart was the memory of his daughter, Regina M. Delaney, who passed away on March 15, 2011. He also leaves his son-in-law, David Delaney of

Chittenango; his grandchildren, William and Jodi Meola, Kara and Craig Stitsinger, and Joseph Tartaglia; and his great-grandchildren, Ryan Smith, Gianna Meola, Jake and Marc Stitsinger; his sisters and brother-in-law, Mary C.

Mancuso, Sandra DeCrescenzo, Katherine Fonderio, Rose and Edward DeSanctis, and

Jean Baldwin. His extended family includes several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, in-laws, Ann Fusco, and Benedict Lupia;

and the many long lasting friendships that blessed his life. He was predeceased

by his brother, Salvatore "Sam" Fusco; sister and brother-in-law, Carmella and Walter Rease; and in-laws, Paul S. Mancuso, Dick DeCrescenzo, Russell Baldwin,

and Theresa Lupia.

Tony's family would like to thank the "family" at Steinhurst Apartments for their support and kindness during this difficult time. Thanks also to Dr. Fred Talarico for his professional guidance and patience.

Visitation will be held Friday from 4:00-6:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home,

Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Please refrain from floral offerings. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Anthony's funeral service and Celebration of Life which will commence on Saturday afternoon at 1:00 at St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church where his Mass of Christian

Burial will be offered by Fr. Anthony P. LaFache. Entombment will take place in

Resurrection Chapel Mausoleum at the convenience of the family.

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Chapel Mausoleum

Champlin Ave.
Utica, NY 13501

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **14**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Dear Fusco Family~*

You don't know me, but I had the pleasure of meeting your father and mother at the Presbyterian Home. My mother-in-law is a resident on Maple Unit. I always say hi to your mom and have a little chat with her. A couple of weeks ago, I was sitting with my mother-in-law while she was having her lunch and one of the aides brought your mom over to sit with us so she could have her coffee. Your dad came in to see her, so they sat and visited with us for quite a while. I got the biggest kick out of them! Among other things, they told me how they had been married 64 years! I so enjoyed the visit.

I wanted to extend my condolences to your family and to let you know how your dad touch my life.

Elaine Miller

Elaine Miller - October 14, 2011 at 07:01 AM

MD

“ Dear Angela, Patty and Family:

I'll always remember your father for his great sense of humor. As a kid, I used to love listening to his stories, and he was nice enough on a few occasions to take me bowling with him. (For me, that was a big deal.)

I am sorry I cannot be with you this weekend to celebrate the life of your dad, but please be assured that you, your mom and the entire, extended Fusco Family will be in my prayers.

Love, your cousin,

*Michael DeSanctis
Erie, PA*

Michael E. DeSanctis - October 13, 2011 at 06:01 PM

RA

Angela/Patty & Famiy: Your dad was a great guy! I always remember all his jokes when I was a kid. He always made everyone laugh. I loved listening to him and your mom.. Great memories.. My sincere condolences... Love, Becky (Simbari) Almstead

Rebecca Almstead - October 14, 2011 at 07:50 AM