



Anthony F. Arrigo

September 21, 1945 - February 24, 2009

Mr. Anthony F. Arrigo, age 63, of Sauquoit, passed away on Tuesday, February 24, 2009 with his family by his side.

Born in Utica on September 21, 1945, Anthony was the son of the late Mariano N. and Antoinette “Toni” (Punzi) Arrigo. He was raised and educated in Utica and was a graduate of T. R. Proctor High School.

Anthony was employed by the Herkimer A.R.C. for many years, retiring in 1995. Because he truly enjoyed being of service to others, he was well-suited for his job. A great listener, Anthony was a compassionate son, father, grandfather, and friend. He was loyal in his commitments to his family and children, and he lived life with meaning and appreciation. He was also proud of his Italian heritage, was termed a history enthusiast and partook in many yearly “rendezvous”. A true outdoorsman, he was an avid hunter and fisherman. Autumn was a special time of the year for Anthony as he looked forward to his weekend trips to the cabin at Split Rock Lodge in the Adirondacks, a place of peace and serenity. He and a special group of guys shared this sacred place and season. He pursued a variety of hobbies including buying and selling on eBay, pistol shooting, jewelry making, and collecting antiques, particularly pottery and glassware. A fan of western movies, he was in admiration of his favorite actor, John Wayne.

Anthony is survived by his beloved children, Maria L. Arrigo and fiancé Christopher Sequin; Anthony J. Arrigo and fiancée Jennifer Chase, all of Utica, and their mom, Charlotte (Dagwell) Arrigo; his grandchildren, Marianna

and Nicholas; and Jeremiah and Julianna; and his special friend, Diane Wedemeyer, who has been a source of strength during his illness. Survivors also include his sister and brother-in-law, Joanne and Bob Royster; and his aunt, Louise Zizzi, all of CA; aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and cousins. He was blessed with a great group of loyal friends including Tony, Dick, Bill, Howard, Carl, Franny, and many others. He was predeceased by his sister, Mary Lou Nassimos; and his special friends, Camillo Benzo, and Jimmy Orience.

The family extends appreciation to Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc. for enabling Anthony to remain in the comfort of his home while respecting his privacy and providing peace of mind, with special mention of Navaz and Lisa. A truly grateful thank you is offered to the caretakers and volunteers of the Abraham House who opened their home during the last day of his journey.

Visitation will be held Sunday from 2:00-5:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. By family request, please omit floral offerings; memorial contributions may be made to the family. Anthony's funeral service will commence on Monday morning at 9:30 from the funeral home and at 10:30 at St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church where his Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated. Interment will take place in St. Agnes Cemetery.

Tribute Wall



“ Me and jeremiah both miss you very much and we never stop thinking about you. R.I.P. grandpa##imported-begin##your granddaughter##imported-end##

July 04, 2009 at 10:08 AM



“ Joanne and Anthony's family: Having just returned from Florida I heard of the loss of my old friend and Kossuth Ave buddy. i am very saddened by the fact I was not here to pay my last respects to Anthony and his family.I have fond memories of us growing up and playing poker with the Arrigos and Gaetas##imported-begin##Peter Cucci##imported-end##

March 12, 2009 at 06:18 PM



“ Maria and Anthony,

I am so sorry for your loss. Your Dad was wonderful. I will always remember him. He is in good hands now. God will take excellent care of him. Love you guys!!!##imported-begin##Tammy Flynn##imported-end##

March 05, 2009 at 01:48 PM



“ I feel bad not being able to come to the funeral home. Tony was a good and cherished friend of many years. We shared the same interests. We met at the march to Oriskany. He was a real gentle person and I'll miss the times we had gabbing at the Rendezvous in the fall when he was able to come for a visit at the Moose River Plains. He was very talented. He didn't let his health steal his love for the things he enjoyed doing. May his rendezvous now be more exciting than the earthly one he loved.##imported-begin##Clifford Williams##imported-end##

March 02, 2009 at 08:19 PM



“ So sorry to learn of the passing of Anthony. I last saw him at Mary Gaeta's wake. Sorry I was unable to make visitation as I have some back problems and I have difficulty walking. My thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##JoAnn Longo##imported-end##

March 02, 2009 at 12:33 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. I knew Tony from Sitrin when your grandmother was here. I had many wonderful talks with him and always enjoyed his company. He was a wonderful man!! He will be in good company with your grandma.##imported-begin##Jennifer Heffernan##imported-end##

March 02, 2009 at 10:12 AM



“ Dear Maria & Anthony,

Stay strong and know that the lord has a glorious home for your dad. May Jesus and his angels comfort you in the coming days. We will miss you Tony...until we meet again. God Bless.

Love,

Joe & Sue Gaeta

Manlius, New York##imported-begin##Joe Gaeta##imported-end##

March 01, 2009 at 08:09 PM



“ *Maria and Anthony - we are so very sad for the loss of your dad. He was great man, full of life and love. He was such a special uncle and I will cherish my memories w/him and our time in NY always. Love to you all - Donna, Jay and the boys.##imported-begin##Donna Baum - neice##imported-end##*

March 01, 2009 at 04:52 PM



“ *I grew up with Anthony when his family lived on Kossuth Ave. So sorry to hear of his passing. My condolences to his family.##imported-begin##Dick Pellegrino##imported-end##*

March 01, 2009 at 12:45 PM



“ *Maria & Anthony- I am so sorry for your loss of your Dad. Keep this close to your heart that he is with his reunited with our family and he's watching & guiding you both! Many Hugs, Claudette##imported-begin##Claudette Gaeta-Davidson##imported-end##*

March 01, 2009 at 09:18 AM



“ Re,
Words, however kind, can't mend your heartache: but those who care and share your loss wish you comfort and peace of mind. May you find strength in the love of family and in the warm embrace of friends.

I will always remember his sense of humor and ability to patiently teach others the skill of camping.

*With sympathy,
Merribeth##imported-begin##Merribeth##imported-end##*

February 28, 2009 at 10:30 PM



“ We are so very sorry for the death of an old friend, and our best man. As distance has separated us, we have not seen each other for quite some time, but our thoughts and prayers are with all of you who will surely miss him. God bless you as you proceed through the days ahead. I'm sure that all the great memories that you have with help.##imported-begin##Art and Patti Columbe##imported-end##

February 28, 2009 at 03:29 PM



“ Re, Ant, and family my thoughts and prayers are with you at such a difficult time of your father's loss. Turn to God and carry the faith as your dad is not suffering no longer and is in heaven. I am there for you if you need me for anything.

*Love Always your friend,
Shar##imported-begin##Sharon (Crouse) Wood##imported-end##*

February 28, 2009 at 11:53 AM



“ Char, Maria, Anthony and family

I am sorry to hear about your loss. Even though I never met your dad, he sounded like such a wonderful man. Cherish the memories always. Seek comfort in the arms of the Lord during your difficult time.

God Bless

Lorena, Bev, Jimmy and John Chapman##imported-begin##Lorena##imported-end##

February 27, 2009 at 09:28 PM



“ *My God Bless you and your family. May he R I P.##imported-begin##Rich Mindy and family##imported-end##*

February 27, 2009 at 08:08 PM



“ *A very nice man you are theres not many peole like that aroun thats because god needs people like you in the heavens I guess,you left wonderful children behind who are very kind and generous to so i guess it gets carried down.God Bless you.Re I love you and I am so very sorry.##imported-begin##Jayson Ronald Julian##imported-end##*

February 27, 2009 at 05:41 AM



“ *we will always cherish the memories of the good times we had together, we will never forget you,##imported-begin##frieda and leo ferraro##imported-end##*

February 26, 2009 at 04:40 PM



“ tony we will miss you very much. i promise to keep your memory alive by telling marianna and nicholas what a beautiful person you are##imported-begin##lori##imported-end##

February 26, 2009 at 04:37 PM



“ "Dad"...Tony,
I will miss you so much until I see you in Heaven some day. You were like a father to me and treated me like a daughter. I am so blessed to have known you for so many years and for your friendship to my family and mother. I will pray continually for your family who you left behind but you will see some day in Paradise! Love, "Daughter" Melanie##imported-begin##Melanie Lopata##imported-end##

February 26, 2009 at 02:31 PM



“ Pops, Over the last two Days Ive thought of a million things I wanted to ask you.....I miss you so much, Your Pain is over, I know Gram came down and got you!....I know your Up there with everyone one right now, and that makes me feel a little better, I love You pop's. Love Your Son, Anthony.##imported-begin##Your Son.##imported-end##

February 26, 2009 at 05:45 AM



“ My Daddy..This doesn't seem real to me. You are my whole world and I will miss you more than words can ever say. Hug gram, grampa and Aunt Marylou for me. You are home now...xoxo always, your little girl##imported-begin##Your Dearest Daughter ##imported-end##

February 25, 2009 at 09:03 PM



“ *I can't believe I'm having to "write" this message here instead of calling you as usual. I'm going to miss those long, keeping in touch, phone calls more than you can imagine. You were my lifeline to many things brother. Love You and missing you!*

Jo###imported-begin##Joanne - your sister##imported-end##

February 25, 2009 at 06:24 PM