



Daniel J. "Dan" Rosato

April 2, 1919 - January 9, 2015

Mr. Daniel J. "Dan" Rosato, age 95, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, January 9, 2015 at the Faxon-St. Luke's Healthcare Center with his loving family by his side.

Born in Utica on April 2, 1919, Daniel was the son of the late Olindo William and Rose (Buonsegna) Rosato. Dan was a member of the 1st graduating class of T.R. Proctor High School. He furthered his education at Niagara University where he received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Accounting. A proud veteran of World War II, Dan honorably served his country in the Army Air Corp. where he flew many perilous missions as a gunner and radioman on a B-25 Bomber. He was stationed in the North Africa, European, and Burma/India Theaters of Operations. He was decorated for his valor by President Franklin D. Roosevelt who awarded Dan, among many other citations, the Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster, and Asiatic Pacific Theater Ribbon with 3 Bronze Stars. On the 4th of July in 1953, he married the former Elen A. Kolinsky with whom he shared many similarities of heart and mind, the most important being their love for each other. Elen passed away on July 11, 2002.

Previous to the War, Dan worked at Savage Arms. After returning home he eventually began his career as an Accountant at the General Electric Company where he established an impeccable reputation and work ethic. Dan charmed everyone with his million-dollar smile that lit up a room, and with his engaging personality he attracted many acquaintances from all walks of life.

He will also be remembered as a light-hearted jokester and entertainer whose human side prevailed in his everyday life. He had a special place in his heart for children and was blessed with the love and respect of his nieces and nephews, and their families. As a beloved uncle he enjoyed sharing his life experiences and knowledge. He might even share stories of his dangerous missions, but only if prodded. When the holidays brought everyone together, Dan was the happiest because family was the most important facet of his life. An avid sportsman, he loved hunting and fishing expeditions with his brothers and friends. He was a good golfer and during his retirement he frequented the fairways almost daily. He was also a fine athlete and an accomplished baseball player in the position of 2nd base during his high school years at Proctor. He was looked upon by scouts as a professional baseball prospect. He was sharp at card games with friends and was a member of the former Sons of Italy, Senior citizens Centers and the local Veterans of Foreign Wars Posts. He practiced his Catholic faith at his home parish of St. Agnes Church and took an active role in parish festivities when St. Anthony and St. Agnes Churches merged.

Dan is survived by his brother and sisters-in-law, Dennis and Victoria Rosato of NJ and Carmella "Mella" Rosato of Rochester. While the family grieves the loss of Dan, they also remember in their hearts his brother and sister, Anthony R. Rosato, who passed away on January 7, 2015, and Josephine "Lily" Rosato, who passed away on January 12, 2015. He also leaves his many nieces and nephews, especially Charles and Gwen Beno, William and Janice Rosato, Miriam and Ken Dell, Steven and Barbara Rosato, Andrew and Suzanne Rosato, and David and Michelle Rosato; his great-nieces, great-nephews, great-great-nieces, great-great-nephews, and cousins, Lucille Bonanza, JoAnn DeRoberto, and Marilyn (Singer) Cohen. Dan was also blessed with the special companionship of Flo Gentile. He was predeceased by his brother and sister-in-law, Phillip O. and Mary Ann Rosato; his sister and brother-in-law, Lucy J. and Phillip Beno; his nephew, Phillip W. Rosato; and his uncle and aunt, Rocco and Josephine Bonanza.

The family is grateful to the Utica Rescue Team, the Emergency Room physicians and nurses at the Faxton-St. Luke's Health Care Center, and Dr. Daniel Goodman, for the valiant efforts they put forth while they attended to Dan.

Visitation for Daniel Rosato and his sister, Lily Rosato, will be held concurrently on Saturday from 10:00-12:00 noon at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. For those wishing to do so, please consider memorial donations to St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Daniel and Lily's funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence on Saturday at 12:00 noon from the funeral home and at 1:00 at St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church where their Mass of Christian Burial will be offered by Rev. Joseph Salerno with Military Honors conferred to Daniel. Interments will take place in St. Agnes Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Cemetery Details

St. Agnes Cemetery

Utica, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 17. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.
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Tribute Wall

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“ *Condolence: No heart breaks alone for God is always near. When a prayer is whispered God is always there to hear. When sorrow's overwhelming, He comforts tenderly. A single tear never falls that he does not hear.(Psalms 65:2)*

mr & mrs edwards - January 25, 2015 at 07:41 AM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Daniel J. "Dan" Rosato.*



January 16, 2015 at 02:19 PM

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“ *please accept our sympathy of Danny's passing.I remember he and Phil visiting my parents, Joe and Agnes Rosato in Rome. our hearts are with you at this time of sorrow*
Joanne and Frank George

joanne george - January 16, 2015 at 11:13 AM