



Mr. Daniel P. "Papa Bear" Turturo

July 23, 1968 - July 2, 2021

UTICA - Mr. Daniel P. "Papa Bear" Turturo, age 52, passed away on Friday, July 2, 2021.

Born in Utica on July 23, 1968, Daniel was the son of the late James J. "Jim" Sr. and Virginia T. (Carroll) Turturo. Raised and educated locally, he attended T.R. Proctor High School. In 1992 he married Theresa Borruso, a union that was blessed with their daughter, Kasey.

A trade master at his craft of automobile collision repair, Daniel had a natural aptitude in this vocation and he loved what he did. He first began his career at C. Weaver where he worked repairing and restoring vehicles that were damaged. His energetic work ethic was evident in the final phase of returning each vehicle to its original condition. He subsequently accepted a position at Steet Toyota Body Shop, his last employment in the workforce.

Daniel was dedicated to his family and was always there for his loved ones and friends. With his mechanical mind, there wasn't anything he couldn't fix. He was humorous and charismatic and danced when the music moved him. Daniel was graced with a generous heart that touched those who knew and loved him.

Daniel is survived by his daughter, Kasey M. Turturo and fiancé Daniel C. Meinders, and the anticipation of his granddaughter, Emily Sofia Meinders; and Kasey's mother, Theresa and her husband Daniel P. Dichiera. He also leaves many aunts, uncles, cherished nieces and nephews whom he loved as his own children; cousins, and his longtime friend and confidante, Harriet

Slotnick.

All funeral services will be held privately and at the convenience of the family.

Tribute Wall

TD

“ *Our granddaughter is beautiful Dan she looks so much like kasey. Please watch over Emily Sofia and her momma and dada. We love and miss you so very much. 💔🙏❤️👍*



Theresa Dichiera - August 26, 2021 at 10:00 AM

TD

“ *Dan
This seems unreal. My head is still reeling. You will never know how much you were loved. I'm trying to focus on all our good memories to help me through this. I hope you are at peace, just know that I would rather you still be here with us. 💔*

Theresa Dichiera - August 06, 2021 at 12:20 PM

DA

“ Daniel Turturo was part of the original "Crew" at Anthony J. Balio Garage. He was known as one of the best auto body guys in the area. It was truly an honor to be able to work alongside and learn from him. His outstanding craftsmanship can be viewed by many as he has done the autobody work on many of the tractor trailer trucks that you see on the road today. He was a good friend and he will be truly missed!

*Like quoted by "Mikey" (aka: "Pretty Eyes")
"There will never be another crew like us"*

*Rest in peace "Danny" (aka: "Spray Can Dan")
You are now in heaven with my Uncle Tony (aka: "The Boss")
Forever watching over us.*

*David Annatone
&
Family*

David Annatone - July 16, 2021 at 05:14 PM

MW

“ Condolences Kasey and Theresa. I'm so sorry to hear about his passing. There truly was no better father figure and no more devoted family man.



Mike Wagner - July 15, 2021 at 12:12 PM

MW

And that extends past blood familial relations. Definitely the type to give the shirt off his back to a perfect stranger. He believed strongly in the spirit of charity. This man has said he's proud of me more times than my own father. He will be sorely missed.

Mike Wagner - July 15, 2021 at 01:37 PM

TH

Thank you so very much michael ❤️

theresa - July 15, 2021 at 09:09 PM

AB

“ *Many memories shared at your place with my family growing up. You were a great guy.*

Ashley Bird - July 14, 2021 at 01:39 AM

AN

“ *Kasey and Tee, I'm so heartbroken for you both. I can't remember a time when Dad, (Danny) was not part of our family. You will always be my brother. RIP 💔*

Ann Marie Nicotera - July 07, 2021 at 01:35 PM

TD

“ *Theresa Dichiera lit a candle in memory of Mr. Daniel P. "Papa Bear" Turturo*



Theresa Dichiera - July 06, 2021 at 10:51 PM

TD

I needed you here. I'm going to miss you so very much. Please watch over our daughter and her family. I love you Danny always and forever

Theresa Dichiera - July 06, 2021 at 11:12 PM

AN

“ *Ann Marie Nicotera lit a candle in memory of Mr. Daniel P. "Papa Bear" Turturo*



Ann Marie Nicotera - July 06, 2021 at 09:31 PM

MT

“ *Mark Turturo lit a candle in memory of Mr. Daniel P. "Papa Bear" Turturo*



Mark Turturo - July 06, 2021 at 09:22 PM

MT

Dan, rest in peace. You were always impossible to get ahold of. Kasey and T. are the light that drove your you life. You wore your heart on your leave and never back down to anyone. You always went the extra mile to help others even when you needed help yourself. I love you with my whole heart you, will be sorely missed.

Mark Turturo - July 06, 2021 at 09:35 PM

JT

“ *The Obituary of my brother Daniel Patrick Turturo was an authentic narrative of Danny. Our families prayers are with Kasey Marie and Theresa. Let me take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to Theresa, her husband Dan and her brothers for there care and support of Dan in recent months and past years.*

The Reverend James Turturo

James Turturo - July 06, 2021 at 08:02 PM