



## Mr. David M. D'Ambro, Ret. UFD

June 6, 1961 - December 24, 2024

UTICA – Mr. David M. D'Ambro, Ret. UFD, age 63, passed away on Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24, 2024, following a courageous battle with cancer. At the time of his passing, he was surrounded by the love and support of his family.

Born in Utica on June 6, 1961, David was the son of Carmen A. and Rosalie A. (LaBarbera) D'Ambro. He was a graduate of T.R. Proctor High School/Class of 1979.

David was proud of his role as a firefighter with the Utica Fire Department, a position for which he was well suited. Exemplifying humility, he cherished his work as a public servant, dedicating himself to his community until his retirement.

Most important to David was his family. He loved and respected his parents deeply, and held his relationships with his siblings, and nephews in the highest regard. With a quiet and unassuming nature, as well as a loyal heart, he was a devoted friend to many.

From a young age, David displayed artistic talents, creating exceptionally beautiful murals and drawings. A memory that he cherished most was learning the art of making wine with his father, a tradition that began when he

was a child. An animal lover, he could often be found walking his Dobermann Pinscher. He was also a meticulous landscaper, ensuring every flower had its place. David enjoyed hosting friends for gatherings where good food and great times were shared by all. The highlight of his time here on Earth was spending time with his family and friends.

A devout Catholic, David was a parishioner of St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish.

David is survived by his parents, Carmen and Rosalie; sisters and brothers-in-law, Roseann and Vincent Tutino, Christine and David Rosato, and Karen D'Ambro; and brother, Michael D'Ambro. He further leaves to cherish his memory his nieces and nephews, Vincent, Jr. and Lindsey Tutino, Nicholas and Amanda Tutino, Matthew and Karissa Tutino; Nicholas Rosato and Laura Rabideau; Michael V. D'Ambro, Jr., and Anthony C. D'Ambro; great-nieces and great-nephews, Luca, Olivia; Viviana, Jayce; Liara; and Ava; and many treasured friends, especially acknowledging Dickie Deon, Victor Spataro, Jimmy DeFazio, and Marty Marchese. He was predeceased by his sister-in-law, Christine M. (Militello) D'Ambro.

The family wishes to extend their gratitude to Kyle and Linda Fuller for their loving hearts and assistance with caring for David. Thank you also to David's friend, Sal Piazza, who was always there for him.

Visitation will be held on Friday January 3, 2025, from 4:00-7:00 p.m. at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.

Memorial contributions in David's honor may be made to the American Cancer Society online at [www.cancer.org/donate](http://www.cancer.org/donate); envelopes will also be available at the funeral home. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend David's Mass of Christian Burial and Celebration of Life, which will commence on Saturday, January 4, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed

Sacrament Parish, 648 Jay, St. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

2407 Oneida Street  
Utica, NY 13501  
(315) 735-2727

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JAN 3.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.  
932 South Street  
corner of Hammond Ave.  
Utica, NY 13501  
(315) 724-6714  
eannacefh@roadrunner.com

## Funeral Service

**JAN 4.** 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish  
648 Jay Street  
Utica, NY 13501  
(315) 735-1482  
<https://www.mountcarmelblessedsacrament.com/>

# Tribute Wall

GO

“ *Carmen, Rosalie and family*

*I am so saddened to hear of Davids passing, it is so hard to understand how someone so young has to leave us. I may not be able to make the service all depending on the weather. I want the family to know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers, David was such a great man and will be missed by so many, rest in peace Dave.*

*Gary Ollerenshaw*

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**Gary T Ollerenshaw** - January 02, 2025 at 07:21 PM



VS

“ *David was a true gentleman and a great firefighter. He was a master carpenter And everything he did was perfect. We worked together on one truck in south Utica for many years. He came to my hose a few times looked at my carpentry work, smiled, and fixed it. Rest in peace my friend. Big V Sinisgalli*

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**Vito Big V Sinisgalli** - January 02, 2025 at 02:58 PM

FA

“ *Our deepest condolences to the D'Ambro family. I have fond memories of Dave. He was a true gentleman and a pleasure to work with at Station 7. Rest in Peace, Brother. Frank & Wanda Arcuri, Minoa, NY*

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**Frank Arcuri** - January 02, 2025 at 01:27 PM

AF

“ Aunt Jeanette, Cheryl, Dorene, Lisa & Richard, and Michelle & Frank purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Mr. David M. D'Ambro, Ret. UFD.



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**Aunt Jeanette, Cheryl, Dorene, Lisa & Richard, and Michelle & Frank** - January 01, 2025 at 09:07 PM

PC

“ David was an outstanding Fire Fighter and artistic and talented craftsman as well. But moreover a wonderful human being, a good man.  
If David could help someone he would, the best example of a Christian.  
God Speed brother Fire Fighter. Rest in peace.

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**Peter Caruso** - December 31, 2024 at 11:08 AM

NF

“ D'Ambro Familt,  
We are so sorry for your loss Of David, he gave hi service as a firefighter to the city of Utica as his father and Uncle Lou did and was a gentleman to all he counter in his life time, may David Rest In Peace.

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**Nick & Mary Parrotta Naples, Florida** - December 31, 2024 at 10:56 AM

DU

“ Very sorry to here about the passing of David he was a very good firefighter like his Father.May he RIP.

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**David Taurisano Retired UPD** - December 31, 2024 at 10:53 AM



GP

“ It was December 1982 when Dave and his dad built wooden shelves and a desk top for my twin, Girard, to work easier while in his wheelchair...it's still being used! Your donation of time, materials along with artistry and carpentry skills were greatly appreciated! It still looks beautiful. Thank you!



Gerald F. Plante - December 30, 2024 at 06:38 PM

DB

“ Mr and Mrs D'Ambro and Family. I am so sorry to hear about David's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with each and every one of you. I will keep you all in my prayers.

*Rest in Peace David.*

Debbie Barbero - December 30, 2024 at 06:15 PM

VC

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.  
Vic and Vicki Castronovo

Vic and Vicki Castronovo - December 30, 2024 at 06:10 PM

BR

“ Mike and the D'Ambro family  
Mike so sorry to hear about your brother's passing. May he rest in peace 🙏

Bob Flo (UPD ret) - December 30, 2024 at 06:04 PM



“ *My condolences to the D'Ambro family. Fly high with the angels Dave. 🙏*

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**Colleen Moccaldi Morris** - December 30, 2024 at 03:40 PM



“ *Carmen & Rosalie, and all the D'Ambro family, I am heart broken and torn apart over Daves passing. For most of my life your family has been my family. I cherish the times my family spent at your house allowing us to share so many great memories. From watching sports at the house when my dad would take us over to watch the fights because Carmen order them on TV, to swimming in the summer. Dave showing me his drawings and working out with him from time to time. Spending time talking with Dave on the phone then at training. Of course, Dave had to do it perfect and be a pain in my ass and not stop until it was the way he wanted it. He would say Sal, anyway we can do it again. Sure Dave, whatever you want. We would burst out laughing. I looked forward to his calls to chat about life and training. I feel the same way Carmen did when my dad passed and he said, I'm done bowling without Johnny P. Now I feel the same without Dave calling me to help with the Dog. This has left a huge void, and I don't think it can be replaced. I love you all and may God give Dave his reward that he rightly deserves. Love you Dave, rest in peace my friend.*



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**Salvatore Piazza** - December 30, 2024 at 03:21 PM