



## Mr. Dominick F. DeSimone

July 14, 1931 - October 15, 2022

FRANKFORT – Dominick DeSimone, age 91, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, October 15, 2022.

Born in Utica on July 14, 1931, Dominick was the son of the late Palmedore and Frances (DeFazio) DeSimone. He was raised and educated in Utica, NY. A proud veteran, he honorably served his country in the U.S. Army, stationed in Stuttgart, Germany during the Korean Conflict. On February 12, 1955, Dominick married the love of his life Mirella Cardarelli with whom he shared a loving and devoted union of 67 years. They were best friends, truly in love and inseparable. His example of love and devotion to his wife and family will carry on for generations. A hard working man and a faithful patriarch, Dominick dedicated his entire life to his loved ones, who meant the world to him. Many will recall his endless jokes that seemed to fit every occasion.

As an exceptionally talented brick layer and stone mason, Dominick began his career as a co-owner and operator of Dick and Fred Construction Company. Through the years, he mentored many who tried to master his craft. He provided 50 years of loyalty as a member of the Bricklayers & Allied Crafts Union up until his retirement.

Dominick was an avid hunter and lifelong Yankee fan. He was also a man of many talents, including painting and sculpting. He was incredibly proud to be a self-taught musician who played the harmonica, accordion, and clarinet. He most recently shared his musical talents as a member of the local Italian choir, l'Il Coro Italiano.

Dominick practiced his Catholic faith as a parishioner of St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church, and also displayed a true loyalty to his patron Saint, San Donato. He was a proud member of the Knights of St. John, the Italian Heritage Club, and St. Cosmas and Damian Society.

Dominick is survived by his beloved wife, Mirella; sons and daughters-in-law, Danny and Catherine DeSimone, and Dominick Jr. and Doreen DeSimone; daughters and sons-in-law, Gina and John DiSano, and Jodi (Puleo) and Rob Wright; grandchildren, Alyssa and Jeremy Williams; Carina and David Mettelman; Gianni, Risa, and Luca DiSano; Janae and Vinny Puleo; great-grandchildren, Jackson and Adrien Williams; and James Mettelman.

He also leaves his beloved brother, Philip DeSimone, Lucille DeSimone, Clara Perrella, Dolores Cardarelli, Beatrice Cardarelli, John and Gabriella Cardarelli, Luciana and Chris Barnes, Marisa and Bob Greer, Pina Cardarelli and Jordan Sher, numerous nieces and nephews, along with many wonderful friends and neighbors, especially acknowledging Frank Noti who was very dear to him.

He was predeceased by Angelo (Midge) and Jane DeSimone, Marie and Sal Alberico, Anthony (Jebeep) DeSimone, Pinky DeSimone, Mario Perella, Fernando Cardarelli, Anna and Pino Baldana, and Romeo Cardarelli.

Visitation will be held Thursday, October 20, 2022 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. at the Eannace Funeral Home, 932 South St. Utica. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Dominick's Mass of Christian Burial and Celebration of Life which will commence on Friday morning, October 21, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church, 422 Tilden Ave, Utica.

Interment will follow graveside in Calvary Cemetery. Expressions of sympathy in the form of donations in Dominick's memory may be directed to St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church or online at <http://www.stanthonystagnes.com/>.

Envelopes will also be available at the funeral home.

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **20**. 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

# Tribute Wall

KB

“ I remember looking at the two of you together and seeing nothing but pure love . I'm so sorry. For your loss he was a wonderful man sending you prayers and love. Kathy Carbone Bronk

Kathy carbone bronk - October 25, 2022 at 12:23 AM

SN

“ Mirella i am so sorry for your loss! What a beautiful man. The bond and love you shared is so rare and admirable. Dominick always had a smile on his face and a joke to tell. I will treasure the the time we spent together! My thoughts and prayers to the entire family. God bless him!

Steve Nanna - October 20, 2022 at 10:28 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Dominick F. DeSimone.



October 19, 2022 at 08:32 PM

RM

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Dominick was a very loving person with a big heart.  
With love,  
Roseanne and Nancy

Roseanne Macari - October 19, 2022 at 04:50 PM



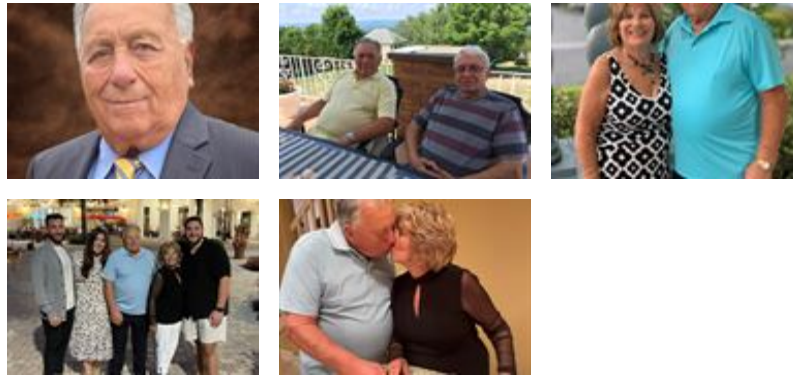
“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mr. Dominick F. DeSimone.*



October 19, 2022 at 02:01 PM



“ *63 files added to the album Life Tributes*



**Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.** - October 19, 2022 at 01:07 PM



“ *The Faris Family purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Mr. Dominick F. DeSimone.*



**The Faris Family** - October 19, 2022 at 09:49 AM

LH

“ Love, Kevin, Cathy, Cassie, and Harley purchased the Fall Fantasia for the family of Mr. Dominick F. DeSimone.



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**Love, Kevin, Cathy, Cassie, and Harley** - October 18, 2022 at 07:17 PM

DB

“ Jamie and Family, We are so sorry to hear about the passing of your Uncle. Our prayers are with you and your family. Your cherished memories will last a lifetime. Love Always , Deb and Bob

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**Debbie Barbero** - October 18, 2022 at 03:49 PM

LS

“ Dominick his wife in Yesterdays Senior band he play harmonica

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**lynda Schmelcher** - October 18, 2022 at 02:49 PM

PM

“ Pete, Mary, Aldo & Pauline Mascaro purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Mr. Dominick F. DeSimone.



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**Pete, Mary, Aldo & Pauline Mascaro** - October 18, 2022 at 02:36 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mr. Dominick F. DeSimone.



October 18, 2022 at 02:18 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Dominick F. DeSimone.



October 17, 2022 at 09:15 PM



“ The Fiorentino and Robertello families send our deepest sympathy to your family. May he rest in eternal peace.

**Diane & Dan Robertello** - October 17, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Dominick F. DeSimone.



October 17, 2022 at 01:01 PM

AC

“ *Zia Mirella and Family. I am so sorry to hear of Uncle Domenic's passing. He was a wonderful kind man. I know I just saw him at my fathers services, and I was glad that I got to see him then. Please accept my love to the entire family.*

*Love,  
Anna and Stephanie Cardarelli*

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**Anna Cardarelli** - October 17, 2022 at 11:11 AM

AV

*Aunt Mirella and Family. My heart is broken. My uncle was the best. Even though I no longer live close I still loved when he did come to visit. Dawn will miss him so much. She loved talking you both. I'm sure my Mother will look after him. She loved her brothers. All our prayers and love to you all. Angela*

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**angela violante** - October 17, 2022 at 11:26 AM

DM

*Dear Morelia & family. I'm so very sorry to hear of your beloved Dominiks passing. Remember all the years on Tilden Ave between the Pettinato & Desimone families. Always a smile on his face, my mom loved to listen to him when he preformed at Masonic Home. May God be with you & your children through this difficult time. Deepest Sympathy Donna (Pettinato) Mutolo.*

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**Donna Mutolo** - October 18, 2022 at 06:04 PM

PP

*Mirella DeSimone and family, I am so sorry for your loss and will always have great memories of Dominick. My first was when I was around 10 years old. We were playing in the road and had to stop because a two story home was being moved up our street. I was amazed to see such a thing, and there was Dominick, in charge of the project of moving his house, To me he was like John Wayne. Cool and calm and in charge. Through the years he would always take the time to say hello and talk a little. To me he was an example of what a gentleman was. As time passed our conversations became more connected and I was proud I knew him. Also, my cousin Joe Putruele, the radio personality, held Dominick and Mirella in high regard and would always be happy to play one of their favorite Italian songs. He's playing " Paese " for him now. With my heart and sympathy*  
*Patrick Putrello*

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**Patrick Putrello** - October 21, 2022 at 04:52 PM

DH

*Dear Mirella and family, I was shocked to hear of "Mr. D's" passing (as I called him). I was always so happy to see you both at church and exchange hugs! You both lit up a room when you entered it, with such grace and poise, a gorgeous couple with a heart of gold!!! Although I and my siblings did attend school with Gina and Jody years ago, we never had the opportunity to meet you or "Mr. D" back then. It was when my dad passed 10 years ago (Gilbert DeStefano, Sr) that we met and I came to know you and love you both!! My dad and "Mr. D" were buddies, they shared their "brotherhood" as masons, union workers of Bricklayers & Alliance Local 19, and worked on many sites together in their days, they both built their own "masterpiece" homes up on "the hill" in Frankfort. My family and I had wanted to lay our dad to rest with his union watch on his wrist, of which he received upon retirement; he so loved his trade and had great pride in it, however we could not find it anywhere. Upon telling Dominick that I could not find the watch, he set out on his own to contact the union and within just days obtained that watch for our dad and we were able to bury him with that on his wrist. Words cannot explain what that gesture on behalf of "Mr. D" meant to myself and my siblings!!! I could feel my dad beaming down from the heavens with such pride that his mason "brother" went to such great lengths to make sure he was buried with this watch!!! This is when I grew such admiration for "Mr. D" and was so honored to become friends with you, Mirella and Dominick, from that point forward!! I wish I could've attended his calling hours to pay respect to this outstanding man. How blessed you all were to have him, and how blessed he was to have you all as well. I admired the love that I witnessed between you, Mirella, and Dominick; it truly was heartwarming whenever we would see you both. Heaven surely gained an angel, and no doubt he is with you all every moment of every day!! Again, I have no words to express the gratitude I will always have for "Mr. D" for what he did for my family, but please know that I and my family will always hold him dear in our hearts, as well as you Mirella, and your beautiful family!! God bless you all....I will continue to pray for your comfort and peace, until you all reunite one day!!!*

*With much love to you Mirella and family,  
Denise (DeStefano) Hensel*

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**Denise DeStefano Hensel** - October 23, 2022 at 02:34 PM