



## Mr. Frank "Hank" Scalise

February 1, 1927 - November 2, 2015

Mr. Frank "Hank" Scalise, went to be with the Lord Monday, November 2, 2015 with his family by his side.

Frank was born and raised in Utica. He was the son of the late Ottavio and Carmella (Clerico) Scalise. He graduated from T.R. Proctor High School in 1945. After graduation, Frank became a proud member of the United States Navy. Frank honorably served his country during WWII. After the war, Frank went on to graduate from Syracuse University at Utica College and St. Lawrence University with a Masters in Social Work. Frank was an avid sports enthusiast, playing and coaching various sports his entire life. While at Utica College, Frank formed and coached the first women's soccer team. On June 9th 1951 Frank married Joan Lee Williams. Frank and Joan shared 64 loving years together. Their lives were filled with love. Their mutual respect for one another was evident in their dedication to each other.

Frank began his extensive career with Oneida County in 1951. In 1959 he was appointed Director of Probation. During that time, Frank was a pioneer and in part responsible for the successful implementation of electronic monitoring systems in Oneida County and nationwide. Frank was instrumental in drafting the original grant that established the Insight House, where he served on the Board of Directors as Treasurer.

Frank retired in 1990 but remained active in various organizations and served on numerous boards offering his time and talent. He was passionate in his desire to make a difference in people's lives. He was a charitable man who

would help anyone in need. He had a knack for bringing out the best in people. Frank accepted everyone for who and what they were. He was a man who believed everyone deserved a second chance.

Frank engaged life in so many ways but his family was the core of his happiness. As a Dad and important person in many lives he taught the lesson “there is no such word as can’t”. He displayed patience and was a gentleman in every sense of the word. He supported his grandchildren with great thoughtfulness. He shared stories of his life and spent countless hours reading to them. Frank left a lasting impression on all those he encountered, a tribute to a life well lived.

Frank is survived by his beloved wife, Joan; his children, Carmen Lee Scalise, Frank Anthony and Irene Scalise, Steven and Diane Scalise, Vince Scalise, Kim Meola, and Carla Scalise; his grandchildren, Gloria and Joe Piazza, Reneé and Gabe Mattson, and Frank Scalise; Mark Scalise; Trevor Scalise, and Jake Meola; and Brianna Scalise; his great-granddaughter, Ana Lucia Mattson; and his brothers and sisters-in-law, Nicholas and Ruth Scalise, and Joseph and MaryBeth Scalise. His extended family includes many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and in-laws, Rosalie Scalise, and L. Gale Williams. He was blessed with many wonderful friends who enriched his life, but it would be remiss not to acknowledge his lifelong friend, Ben Turi and his wife Toni. He was predeceased by his brothers, Anthony Scalise, and Pasquale Scalise; and his sisters and brothers-in-law, Margaret and George Picente, Josephine and Joseph Fasone, Philomena “Phyllis” Scalise, Mary Scalise, Beatrice and Albert Bauer, and Rose and Stuart Service.

The family holds dear the professional guidance and kindness of Dr. Jerry Sloan and his staff.

The family will honor and commemorate Frank’s life at a private time.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Frank’s funeral service and Celebration of Life which will commence on Saturday morning at 9:30 at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish where his Mass of Christian

Burial will be offered by Rev. James Cesta and con-celebrant Fr. Paul Drobin with Military Honors conferred. The family will receive visitors at the conclusion of Mass. Those wishing to express an act of kindness in lieu of flowers may make a contribution to the Utica College Athletics Program online at <http://www.ucpioneers.com> or the East Utica Optimist Club online at [ej.xc.info@gmail.com](mailto:ej.xc.info@gmail.com); envelopes will also be available at the service. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

NOV 7. 9:30 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

TF

“ *The Falcone Family.. Miami FI sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Frank "Hank" Scalise*



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**The Falcone Family.. Miami FI** - November 11, 2015 at 02:28 PM

DT

“ *Dear Vince,*

*I was so sorry to hear about your dad's passing. From listening to you just a couple of weeks back when you spoke about him during your visit to Fredonia along with the posts I read here it was so apparent that he touched so many lives in such a positive way. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family.*

*Daniel M. Tramuta*



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**Daniel Tramuta** - November 07, 2015 at 11:17 PM



“ *Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Mr. Frank "Hank" Scalise.*



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November 06, 2015 at 12:49 PM

JB

“ Frank Scalise was a unique human being. He was a friend of my brother (Nicky-Rome- who died in 1985) and I subsequently met him when I began teaching in Utica and working sports at Proctor High School. He was a calming influence on those around him, and I always felt privileged to know him and share a few short conversations with him. He seemed to be a cut above the average guy, and I am sorry I didn't get to know him better. I seem to believe - it would improve the whole community if there were more men like Frank Scalise working with kids . Sometimes we meet a person and that person speaks volumes about the goodness of "doing the right thing" - without preaching or talking too much. My condolences to his family and friends. Joe Bottini Sauquoit, NY

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Joseph P. Bottini - November 06, 2015 at 09:06 AM

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“ DEAR JOAN AND FAMILY, I SHARE YOUR LOSS OF A WONDERFUL FRIEND AND BOSS. FRANK WAS NOT ONLY MY MENTOR BUT TRULY MY SECOND FATHER. MEMORIES OF HIM ARE TOO NUMEROUS TO MENTION BUT HIS FRIENDLY SMILE AND SENSE OF HUMOR WILL ALWAYS BE ETCHED IN MY MIND. HIS GENUINE INTEREST FOR ME AND MY FAMILY WILL ALWAYS BE DEEPLY APPRECIATED. IT HAS BEEN MY PLEASURE ALL THESE YEARS TO HAVE HIM AS A FRIEND AND A BOSS. HE WILL BE MISSED BY THE MANY PEOPLE HE HAS HELPED THROUGH OUR THE YEARS . WITH A BROKEN HEART AND DEEPEST SYMPATHY. SAM SARDINA

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SAM SARDINA - November 05, 2015 at 04:15 PM

JA

“*Joan and family, you were our neighbors on the other side of the kitchen door growing up. Frank was my father's best friend, always. Frank was my driver as my football coach. Frank was my insperation, always. He will always live within me. I was blessed to see him one last time at Sylvan Beach in August. I will miss him dearly. Joseph F. Arcuri Jr.*

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**Joseph F. Arcuri** - November 05, 2015 at 03:03 PM

BW

“*Joan and family,condolence-my fondest memory of frank first wintr on harison ave-I offered to help with the snowblower to which he said: This is my toy.No help neede ! Butch Wszkiewicz*

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**Butch Wszkiewicz** - November 05, 2015 at 01:32 PM

BW

“*Joan and family,Condoienes on our loss.As a harrison ave neighbor Frank and I enjoyed many bits of humor and wisdom together.Prayerrs and sympathy.Butch Wskiewicz*

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**Butch Wszkiewicz** - November 05, 2015 at 01:18 PM

FA

“*Vince, I'm so sorry for the loss of your dad. I remember my many weeks at Utica and what a great person he was. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and the entire family during this time.*  
*Fiona Approo-Johnson*

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**Fiona Approo-Johnson** - November 05, 2015 at 12:21 PM

LD

“ Steve and family. So sorry for your loss. Mark loved him so much and will miss him. MY prayers are with you. Liz

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**Liz Doolittle** - November 05, 2015 at 10:47 AM

AW

“ Vince, I was so sorry to hear about the passing of your father. These things are never easy. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

*Anne Woodard*

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**Anne Woodard** - November 05, 2015 at 10:41 AM



“ Vince: I am sorry to hear about your loss. From my family to yours, we pray for your continued strength in this time of sorrow. - Tony Thompson

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**Tony Thompson** - November 05, 2015 at 09:50 AM

AP

“ Vince: Wishing you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your hearts. - Areti Pino

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**Areti Pino** - November 05, 2015 at 08:42 AM

AC

“ Vince, I was sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Amy Connors

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**Amy Connors** - November 05, 2015 at 06:58 AM

LP

“ Joan,

*Frank was simply a GREAT man - humble, honest, straight-forward, and unassuming. I enjoyed our talks. He was truly wonderful. He will be missed, and my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

*God Bless you all...*

*Lou Parrotta*

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**Lou Parrotta** - November 05, 2015 at 06:47 AM

RM

“ Vince, I am very sorry for the loss of your father. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your loved ones; may peace and comfort envelop you all during this difficult time.



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**Rachel Mecca** - November 05, 2015 at 05:44 AM