



Mr. George R. Didio

February 8, 1920 - August 12, 2015

Mr. George R. Didio, age 95, passed away on Wednesday, August 12, 2015 in the comfort of his home with his loving family by his side.

Born in Utica on February 8, 1920, George was the son of the late Michael and Grazia (Dispersia) Didio. He was a graduate of T.R. Proctor High School in 1938. He then proudly went to service in the Army Air Corp as a Tech Sargeant for three and a half years. Upon discharge, he graduated in the first business class of Cornell University in 1948. On November 25, 1948 George married the former Marie R. Scarfo who passed earlier this year with whom he shared a cherished union of 66 years. He worked at Bendix Corporation as a Purchasing Agent for 26 years. In 1978, he established his own janitorial company, until his retirement in 1989. He was a member of Historic Old St. John's Church.

George is survived by his daughters, Alice M. Barone of Marcy, Grace A. Didio of Tucson, AZ, and Carol A. Didio of Philadelphia, PA. He cherished the memory of his son-in-law, Louis W. Barone who preceded him in death. He will be remembered by his grandchildren, Peter M. and Shelly Barone, and Robert G. and Christine Barone; his great-grandchildren, Alexandria Barone, and Natalie Barone; many special nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and in-laws, John Scarfo, Philip Scarfo, and Louise and George Pavese. George and Marie were blessed with many longtime friendships, each of whom brightened their days. He was predeceased by his brothers and sisters-in-law, Rocco and Marie Didio, Gerald and Lena Didio,

and Joseph and Mary Didio; his sisters and brothers-in-law, Jennie and John Tuccillo, Rose and Frank Pagliaro, and Theresa and John "Sarge" Balandis; and his in-laws, Theresa L. and Frank L. Audino, Sr., Anthony and Florence Scarfo, Francis and Virginia Scarfo, Joseph and Harriet Scarfo, and Josephine Scarfo.

The family wishes to thank the staff of Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc. for their kindness, comfort, compassion, and professionalism.

In keeping with George's wishes there will be no public visitation. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend George's Mass of Christian Burial and Celebration of Life which will be held on Monday at 10:30 at Historic Old St. John's Church offered by Rev. John Buehler. The family will receive visitors at the conclusion of Mass. In lieu of floral offerings, please consider memorial contributions to Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc.; envelopes will be available at the church. Interment will take place alongside his wife in Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.

Tribute Wall

“ Dear Alice, Carol, Grace, Peter and Rob-
May your fond memories of your very special parents (and
grandparents) bring you solace during this time. We remember
them both fondly and the special friendship our parents shared.
Below is a poem that continues to bring us peace. May you inherit
their light and may they rest in peace together.
Pat Frezza-Gressler and Joanne (Frezza) Morotti

Shifting the Sun

~ Diana Der-Hovanessian ~

*"When your father dies, say the Irish,
you lose your umbrella against bad weather.
May his sun be your light, say the Armenians.*

*When your father dies, say the Welsh,
you sink a foot deeper into the earth.
May you inherit his light, say the Armenians.*

*When your father dies, say the Canadians,
you run out of excuses.
May you inherit his sun, say the Armenians.*

*When your father dies, say the French,
you become your own father.
May you stand up in his light, say the Armenians.*

*When you father dies, say the Indians,
he comes back as the thunder.
May you inherit his light, say the Armenians.*

*When your father dies, say the Russians,
he takes your childhood with him.
May you inherit his light, say the Armenians.*

*When your father dies, say the English,
you join his club you vowed you wouldn't.
May you inherit his sun, say the Armenians.*

*When your father dies, say the Armenians,
your sun shifts forever.
And you walk in his light."*

Pat Frezza-Gressler - August 19, 2015 at 07:08 AM

SP

“ *Alice, Carol ,Grace and extended family, My deepest sympathies with the loss of your dad who was our good friend and neighbor, "Uncle George". He always gave me encouraging advice as I was growing up to be the person I am today. I hope both your dad and mom share peace together. May God bless them and you through this difficult time. All the best, Sal Priore and Family, Guilderland New York.*

Salvatore Priore - August 17, 2015 at 09:07 AM

LP

“ *Dear Alice, Carol and Grace,
My sincerest condolences on the passing of your dad. I remember him and your mom fondly. It is never easy to say goodbye and I am hopeful that there is a bit of comfort to all of you by knowing that your parents are together again. With warmest regards...Leonarda Priore*

Leonarda Priore - August 15, 2015 at 03:47 PM

JM

“ *GEORGE WAS A GREAT RIEND MOST NOTABLY FROM HIS DAYS ON THE VALLEY VIEW GOLF COURSE HE WILL BE MISSED WILL PRAY FOR HI JOHN MASTROPIETRO*

JOHN MASTROPIETRO - August 14, 2015 at 06:51 PM

SL

“ Dear Carol and Grace,
I am so very sorry to hear about your mom and dad. They were wonderful people and I have fond memories of them from the time I'd spend at your house with our friends. I know you have wonderful memories that you will always cherish.
Sincerely,
Sue (Doti) Longo

Susan Doti Longo - August 14, 2015 at 05:11 PM

PG

“ Alice and family- I'm and so very sorry about your dad's passing.

Patty Guarnieri

Patty Guarnieri - August 14, 2015 at 12:19 PM