



George Vincent Raiano

August 2, 1916 - December 3, 2008

Mr. George Vincent Raiano, age 92, of Utica, passed away on Wednesday, December 3, 2008 at the Katherine Luther Home.

Born in Utica on August 2, 1916, George was the son of the late Vincenzo and Saveria (Mirto) Raiano. He was raised in Utica and attended local schools. A veteran of World War II, he served his country in the U.S. Army from 1941-1945. On September 14, 1946 he married the former Rose M. Cavaretta with whom he shared 57 years prior to her passing on March 28, 2004.

In a marriage blessed with devotion and respect for each other, family was their foremost priority, and their children and grandchildren were their pride and joy.

During his working life, George was employed for over 30 years by Utica Steam Engine and Boiler Works as a steelworker and welder, retiring in 1965.

He was a very social person, and an excellent cook, well known for his delicious mushroom stew. He was proud of his Italian heritage, and he loved music, especially the songs of Dean Martin. He was a member of the Fort Schuyler Post, Moose Lodge, and the American Legion in Whitesboro.

George is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Saveria A. and Terance R. Fuller of N. Utica; his son, Vincent G. Raiano of Utica; and his grandchildren, Rebecca A. and Bryan Hensel of Rochester, and Scott G. Fuller of Utica.

Survivors also include his sister, Irene M. Montana of Utica; several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews; a few cousins; and several in-laws.

He was predeceased by his brother, Joseph Raiano; his infant sister, Ann

Raiano; his brother and sister-in-law, John and Frances Raiano; and his in-laws, Carmen T. Montana, Leonard Cavaretta, and Joseph Cavaretta.

The family extends sincere thanks to Lutheran Care, Saul Unit and nurse, Mary Ann, for all the care and support rendered to George during his stay. In keeping with George's wishes, there will be no public visitation. By family request, please omit floral offerings. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend his funeral service which will commence on Saturday morning at 10:00 at St. Anthony of Padua Church where his Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated. The family will receive visitors at the conclusion of the service. Interment will take place in St. Agnes Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave., under the guidance of Anthony V. Zizzi.