



Mr. Libero "Babe" Siciliano

October 31, 1929 - April 3, 2016

Mr. Libero "Babe" Siciliano, age 86, of Utica, passed away on Sunday, April 3, 2016 in the comfort of his home.

Born in Utica on October 31, 1929, Libero was the son of the late Benardo "Ben" and Agnes (Farda) Siciliano. He was raised and educated locally. A veteran of the United States Marine Corps, Babe was assigned stateside posts during his military service. He remained in contact with fellow veterans through his membership in the Disabled American Veterans Post #82.

A self-employed roofing and painting contractor, Babe operated his own business serving the Utica area. In addition, he was under contract to Griffiss Air Force Base to handle snow removal at the base, a responsibility he fulfilled every winter from 1965 until his retirement in 1992. Babe was a generous soul who honored family and friendships with much regard. For those who remember this comical man, you would also know of his great storytelling skills and his diverse conversational ability. He truly was a peacemaker and often advised his family to cherish one another. A believer who honored his Catholic faith, Babe was a communicant of St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish.

Babe is survived by his nieces and nephews, including Russell Spina, Jr., John Siciliano, Russell and Barbara Siciliano, Al Siciliano, Mark Siciliano, Francine and Charles Reppel, Donna Shaffer, Arlene and Bill Pertrowitz, Joseph, and John Zarrelli; his great-nieces, especially Tammy; great-nephews, and cousins, Jim, John, Bob, Richard, and Thomas Farda and their

families. A note of gratitude is extended to dear friends who he regarded as family; Pricilla Bacon, and her son Jeremy, and Patricia Bianco; they were truly friends in times of need. He was predeceased by his brothers and sisters-in-law, John Siciliano, a casualty of the "Battle of the Bulge" during World War II whose body was never recovered, Bernard and Marion Siciliano, and Louis and Mary Siciliano; his sisters and brothers-in-law, Mary and Russell Spina, and Libera "Libby" and Ascanio "Scotty" Zarrelli.

Visitation will be held Thursday from 5:00-7:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Babe's funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence on Friday afternoon at 12:00 from the funeral home and at 1:00 at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish where his Mass of Christian Burial will be offered by Rev. James Cesta with Military Honors conferred. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 7. 5:00 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

APR 8. 1:00 PM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall

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“ LEAVE OUTCOMES UP TO ME . Follow Me wherever I lead, without worrying how it will all turn out . Think of your life as an adventure ,with ME as your guide and companion . "live in the now "" , concentrating on staying in step with Me. When our path leads to a cliff , be willing to climb it with MY help. When we come to a resting place ,take time to be refreshed in MY presence. ENJOY the rhythm of life lived close to ME ...you ALREADY KNOW THE ULTIMATE DESTINATION OF YOUR JOURNEY; your entrance into heaven. So keep your focus on the path just before you ,leaving out-comes up to me...(Jesus Calling by Sarah young.

patricia houghton - April 07, 2016 at 08:00 PM

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“ Uncle Babe, we remember the happy times we spent when we came to Utica. One time you asked Bill to go for a ride with you and you took him to the racetrack. A funny memory is when you played Old Maid with the children. We would pass the Old Maid card under the table so you would always get her. We love you and will miss you very much. Arleen and Bill

Arleen Pietrowitz - April 06, 2016 at 08:04 PM

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“ Uncle Babe you will complete the party in Heaven. Tell my Nana, Papa, Aunt Mary and Uncle Lou I love and miss them-Cindy Lou

Cindy Pietrowitz-Swann - April 06, 2016 at 03:29 PM

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“ Uncle Babe you were a funny uncle and you will be missed. I will remember our coffee and "treat" times together. We could always depend on you for a story.
Fran and Charlie

Fran Reppel - April 06, 2016 at 08:15 AM

RB

“ Babe was a great guy, always had a story to tell and loved talking to kids about life lesson. We will miss you babe may you r.l.p

rick Brown - April 05, 2016 at 09:26 PM

JA

He is flying high hes one of the best guy anyone would love to talk with babe and he loves hes family and anytime he needed anything he would call jim and may u rip babe u will be missed and loved

jackieblanchard - April 06, 2016 at 07:44 AM