Mr. Louis R. "Louie" Arcuri

January 4, 2015

Mr. Louis R. “Louie” Arcuri, age 58, passed away after a courageous battle with MS on Sunday, January 4, 2015 in the comfort of his home surrounded by his devoted family.

Born in Utica on September 2, 1956, Louis was the son of Philip F. Arcuri, Sr. and the late Theresa (Valente) Arcuri. He was a graduate of T.R. Proctor High School/Class of 1974. He attended M.V.C.C. and subsequently SUNY Institute of Technology and served an internship with the Syracuse Police Department graduating in 1978 with a degree in Criminal Justice. It was during his schooling at SUNY that he met his longtime friend, Jimmy Casamento. On May 22, 1982 he married the former Donata Colucci with whom he shared 32 years in a relationship so close to each other that they were pretty much inseparable. When Louie became ill, Donata was on a selfless mission to make his life as full as possible. She was his honey and she held his hands to the very end. Louie had thought of continuing his education to become an attorney or a policeman, but his career path led him to a position at Carl’s Drug Store as security personnel. He later held employment at the New York State Teamsters Union Local #182 where he worked for 21 years heading the Security Department at Rutger Park, retiring in 1998. Louie took pride in being a Teamster and lived his life by the principles that the union represented. Louie worked hard for all the things he thought were important in life. He had core values of family and a grounded sense of his faith. He was full of love and laughter and was the life of the party. He was wise and knowledgeable

and his family often sought him out for advice. Although not blessed with his own children, he loved his nieces and nephews as his own. He was meticulous almost to a fault, and everything had to be just right. Louie was most proud of being a good provider and most thankful that he always had his loved ones by his side. He treasured holidays, get-togethers, reunions, and Sunday dinners. In his younger years, one of his favorite pastimes was dancing to disco music at The Waterfront. He also played high school and MUNY League baseball until his 30's, leading him to a grand appreciation and love of the New York Yankees. He had a soft spot for the slots and Black Jack, and his getaways to the Casino were memorable. Louie was also a staunch Chevy and GMC man and the proud owner of several Camero Z28s, a 1978 Red, 1982 Red, and a 1984 Silver; they were all named Rosie and were all pampered and primed to go! Years ago, Louie served as an altar boy at St. Agnes Church where he enjoyed the CYO activities. He was currently a communicant of St. Mark's Church.

Louie is survived by his wife, Donata, who has been devotedly by his side; his loving father, Philip F. Arcuri, Sr.; his sisters and brother-in-law, Linda and Norman Doucette of Winchester, MA, and Phyllis Ross of Lafayette, NY; his brother, Philip F. Arcuri, Jr., of Utica. He will be deeply missed by his father-in-law, Donald P. Colucci, with whom he shared a special bond of love; his in-laws, Philomena and William Gerstner III, and Dana and Christopher Gonzalez; nieces and nephews, Larissa Doucette and fiancé Paul Sullivan, Samantha Doucette, Julie and Ken Clark, Melissa and Ilmas Hogan; P. Blake Arcuri; Giavanna, and Santina Gerstner; Amaris, Christopher, Ariana, and Krislyn Gonzalez; his great-nephew and several great-nieces; his aunts and uncles, Dick Arcuri, Louis Steppello, and Phillipa and Roger Palek; his cousins; and the many special friends who filled his life. He also leaves his true canine companion, Lulu. He was predeceased by his maternal grandparents, Louis R. and Violet Valente; his paternal grandparents, Joseph and Agata Arcuri; and his mother-in-law, Mary Lou Colucci.

While at home, Louie and Donata appreciated the care and support of Connie

Buffa who was so compassionate and tender in her care of Louie, and her daughter, Skye Buffa, whose innocence brought laughter to many moments. Thanks also to the Maynard Fire Department for their timely response and compassion; and New York State Trooper Hovey who aided Donata during a difficult time.

Visitation will be held Thursday from 4:00-7:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. By family request please omit floral offerings. Louis' funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence on Friday morning at 10:00 from the funeral home and at 11:00 at St. Mark's Church where his Mass of Christian Burial will be offered by Rev. Mark Pasik. Interment will take place in St. Agnes Cemetery.

"Love you… be careful".

(Words Louie always shared in parting)

Cemetery Details

St. Agnes Cemetery

601 Arthur Street
Utica, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **8**. 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
https://www.eannacefuneralhome.com

Funeral Service

JAN **9**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mark's Church
440 Keyes Road
Utica, NY 13502

Tribute Wall

DD

Linda and Family,

I am so very sorry for your loss. We have been away since just after Christmas and just returned. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.
Donna DeRosa

Donna DeRosa - January 26, 2015 at 11:09 AM

CG

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CHRISTOPHER GONZALEZ - January 15, 2015 at 10:53 PM

CP

Cecilia Peppenelli lit a candle in memory of Mr. Louis R. "Louie" Arcuri

Cecilia Peppenelli - January 10, 2015 at 12:44 PM

GO

Gary Ollerenshaw lit a candle in memory of Mr. Louis R. "Louie" Arcuri

Gary Ollerenshaw - January 09, 2015 at 06:55 PM

GO

Donata,Phil,Tumby and the rest of the Family I'am so sorry to hear the loss of Louie he was a great guy and I can remember all the good times we had when we were growing up on Kossuth Ave. I never saw Louie without a smile on his face. May he rest in peace I know it is not comforting to hear but he is in a better place. Louie rest in peace and God Bless You

Gary Ollerenshaw - January 09, 2015 at 06:54 PM

Eternal Memories was purchased for the family of Mr. Louis R. "Louie" Arcuri.

January 08, 2015 at 06:33 PM

DC

Donata, Big Phil, Linda, Phyllis and Phil,
I am so sorry to hear that Louie passed away. My sincere condolences to you and the entire family. My prayers are with you all. Louie was a great person. He was always fun to be around and he did truly offer advice when it was needed. I will always appreciate and remember that.
Love,
Debbe

Debbe Clark - January 07, 2015 at 09:13 PM

LS

Donata, I am terribly sorry for the loss of your husband. You are in my thoughts and prayers...

Laura Smith - January 07, 2015 at 04:00 PM

PW

Dear Donata,& Louis' Family , Our deepest condolences sent to you and Louis' loved ones. May the Angel of Comfort Wrap It's Soft & Tender Wings Around Your Broken Hearts...<3. May God give you peace & the strength you need to meet each day. Donata, all though your heart is heavy with the loss of your dear Louis , please know also that you have no regrets because you went above & beyond the call of duty as an amazing wife ... God bless you & yours,...
Jane & Paul

paul waszkiewicz - January 07, 2015 at 11:43 AM

DI

Phyllis and all the Arcuri Family ..you are in my thoughts and prayers...

Dick Aversa

dick - January 07, 2015 at 11:41 AM

KA

Donata and all of Louis' family, I am deeply sorry to hear of your loss. May your memories and love give you peace and strength. Bless you all and I will keep you in my prayers... Karen VanAernam

Karen - January 07, 2015 at 10:05 AM

BO

I'm sad to hear of Louie's passing. I knew Louie during the 70's in East Utica and always thought highly of him. He always had that smile in the group that lit things up. I will keep him and his family in my thoughts and prayers. RIP Louie and light up heaven with that smile.

Bob Ollerenshaw - January 07, 2015 at 07:18 AM

DC

Donata..... my deepest sympathy. ... remembering good times a lots of laughs with Lou.... he will be deeply missed, AWESOME fella.... Deb Crill. ...(from"the old office")

Deb Crill - January 06, 2015 at 10:10 PM

LA

Larissa lit a candle in memory of Mr. Louis R. "Louie" Arcuri

Larissa - January 06, 2015 at 09:01 PM

LA

Uncle Louie would come over in the mornings to visit Nonnie & Poppy before he went off to work, and I remember hearing his voice so I would be so excited, run down to see him & he always greeted me with open arms. He was just as happy to see me as I was as happy to see him! Or all of the times Poppy would bring me out with him we would always make sure we stopped by to see Uncle Louie & Aunt Donata weather he was at work or at home! I will never forget our togetherness and the wonderful times we had when I came to visit my Utica family. These are memories that I will carry with me always. To my family I am so very sorry for the loss of Uncle Lou. May we all please remember his humor & love.
-Larissa

Larissa - January 06, 2015 at 08:59 PM

AP

Phyllis, we were so sorry to hear about your brother. It's a difficult time but remember you have family and friends that love you and are here for you. Anything you need just let us know. Love, Ann & Albert

ann pitts - January 06, 2015 at 08:23 PM

DC

Dear Donata, We are so very sorry to hear about Louie. Please know the family is in our thoughts and prayers as you move through the next few days and weeks. May the memories shared keep his spirit alive in all of our hearts. Love you more, Frank and Debbie Curriere.

d curriere - January 06, 2015 at 07:21 PM

BC

Dear Donata & family Our hearts are saddened by the passing of Louie and our thoughts and prayers are with you. XO Patrick & Brenda Castelli

Brenda Castelli - January 06, 2015 at 03:32 PM

LK

Dear Donata, I am so very sorry to hear of Louie's passing. My heart, thoughts & prayers are with you and your family. Love Laurie Bello Klein

Laurie Klein - January 06, 2015 at 01:40 PM

MA

Donata, we are so sorry for your loss. I know how hard it is to except. With love, Sam and MaryAnn Bottini

MaryAnnBottini - January 06, 2015 at 10:27 AM

JB

Donata, One of the best things that happened to me when I went to MVCC was meeting Louie and becoming such close friends. I will never forgot the fun times we had together. May God bless you and give you the strength as you go through this difficult time.

Joe and Denise Bellino

Joe Bellino - January 06, 2015 at 07:54 AM

Vicky Miller

Phil, we are so sorry to hear about the loss of your brother. Our hearts break for you and your family. We know that nothing can take away the pain that you are feeling right now, but we pray that you will find the strength and courage to get through this difficult time together. Remember to hold tight to memories for comfort, lean on your friends for strength, and always remember how much you are cared about. God bless.
Love, Tom and Vicky Taubert

Vicky Miller - January 06, 2015 at 07:04 AM

CI

Our heart is with you Donata at such a very sad time I have great memories growing up with Louie as when all the families got together at the beach,I will forever remember with much love God bless you always love cousin cindy morelle

Cindy.Morelle - January 06, 2015 at 06:19 AM

MH

Poppy, mom, Aunt Linda, Phil and Donata, my thoughts are with you all during this time. I will always remember and love Uncle Louie he will be truly missed.
Missy

Melissa Hogan - January 05, 2015 at 08:00 PM

MR

Donata, I am so sorry. I read this quote today and thought of you.

"The tide recedes but leaves behind bright seashells on the sand
The sun goes down, but gentle warmth still lingers on the land
The music stops, and yet it echoes on in sweet refrains....
For every joy that passes, something beautiful remains."

Beautiful memories will help you through these hard times. Laugh about them, cry about them, hold them close.
Love and hugs
Marie Robilotto

Marie Robilotto - January 05, 2015 at 07:55 PM

JC

Donata our thoughts and prayers are with you through this difficult time. We love and will always miss our Uncle Louie. Julie, ken, Terri and Kenny.

Julie Clarke - January 05, 2015 at 07:26 PM

JC

Donata and the Arcuri family: Our hearts broke when we learned that Louie had passed. Louie was our dearest friend and the best man in our wedding. We will always cherish fond memories of time spent together. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time.
Love,
Jim and Pam Casamento

Jim Casamento - January 05, 2015 at 07:07 PM

D(

Our deepest condolences to Mr. Arcuri and the entire Arcuri Family. I will always remember a wonderful childhood growing up with Phil, Theresa, Phil and Louie as my neighbors. Such a kind hearted warm family and I am so glad to have known each one of you. My prayers go out to the family during this difficult time.

Dawn DeCarlo (Trotta)

Dawn DeCarlo (Trotta) - January 05, 2015 at 06:07 PM

RB

We are deeply saddened by Louis's passing. He can join his mother now in heaven. Donata, Louie was lucky to have you all these years. your devotion and care goes way beyond words. You are a true miracle woman and an angel in gods eyes.. Cousin Kathy and Ralph Bottini

Ralph and Kathy Bottini - January 05, 2015 at 05:49 PM

FD

Donata,
So sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers during this most difficult time.

Flo, Tom and Amanda DeSimone

Flo DeSimone - January 06, 2015 at 06:45 AM

PU

Donata, so very sorry to read about the Louie's passing. We will always remember his smile and kind nature. We hope the love of family and friends will help you through this difficult time. Paula & Craig Urbanke and on behalf of Teresa Bevivino

paula Urbanke - January 06, 2015 at 07:07 PM

AM

Donata, so sorry for your loss. Anna Monaco

Anna Monaco - January 07, 2015 at 05:48 AM