



Mr. Louis C. LaFache

November 29, 1942 - February 23, 2016

Mr. Louis C. LaFache, age 73, of Utica, passed away on Tuesday, February 23, 2016 at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center with the love and support of his family. Although he had been battling cancer for a number of years, his passing was unexpected.

Born in Utica on November 29, 1942, Louis was the son of the late Anthony P., Sr. and Angeline M. (Thomas) LaFache. Raised and educated locally, he attended St. Mary of Mt. Carmel Grammar School and New Hartford High School. At one time, he was married to the former Roseann Renzi and to that union came the blessing of their children and an enlightening family life.

Roseann has since passed away. Louis later shared in a 23-year relationship with the former Frances "Fran" Amadeo, joining their love in marriage in 2008. She has been of great support to Louie, especially during his illness.

When he lived in Utica, he worked in the transportation industry and was also employed by the State of New York as a heavy machine operator. Louis resided in Florida for a period of 25 years during which time he held a position as a foreman with the Florida Power and Light Company. To know Louie was to love him. Blessed with a benevolent nature, it was easy for him to forgive and forget. Louie had a style that was unique and all his own, and he possessed a fun loving personality. He held a reverence for important relationships and cherished the memories he made during his life with the many wonderful friends from his youth to present times. He enjoyed games of chance and handicapping horse races, especially during the Saratoga

summer season which was a grand highlight and joy for him. But Louie's greatest goal in life was being a good dad... and he succeeded. He supported his children during important times in their lives and he was so proud of them. Louis is survived by his children and their spouses, Sandi and Eric Altman, Louis C. LaFache, Jr., and Kristen and William Claudio; his grandchildren, including Joshua, Tiffany, Addriana, Louie, Allison, and Isabella; his great-grandchildren, Rilla, Ryquer; and Emily; his wife, Fran; and his brother, Rev. Anthony P. LaFache who serves as Chaplain at St. Elizabeth Medical Center and who also officiates at St. Joseph & St. Patrick Church. Louis held close to his heart the memory of his sister, Elizabeth Anne LaFache, who passed away in 2001. He also leaves his many cousins, sharing a special bond with, Mel (Motta) Lanci, Geraldine (Babe) Caropresso, Anthony J. LaFache, Esq., and Paul LaFache; and his beloved aunts and uncles; and his in-laws. He appreciated the love and friendship of Del and Liz Mazza, Bill and MaryAnn Wilsey, Pat Grzesiak, and Carol Taurisano. He was predeceased by his infant sister, Christine LaFache.

The family extends their gratitude to Dr. Lance Brownstein, Louis' primary care physician and a great friend; Dr. Atul Butala and Annie Flagg for their devotion and inspiration; and the nurses and staff of 3C at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center for their compassion and kindness.

The family will honor and commemorate Louis' life at a private time. He will be laid to rest in Forest Hill Cemetery alongside his family.

Tribute Wall

JJ

“ *Janice L. And Samuel L. Russo Jr. lit a candle in memory of Mr. Louis C. LaFache*



Janice L. and Samuel L. Russo Jr. - March 02, 2016 at 11:18 AM

PS

“ *My deepest sympathies to Louie's family., most especially to Rev. Anthony Lafache. Lou was like another big brother growing up in Bradley Road. He was always fun to be around and a great guy. I'll never forget some of his Halloween costumes!! Rest in peace Lou, give Liz a hug for me.*



Pam Stedman - February 28, 2016 at 01:31 PM

LM

“ *Dear Fran and family: So sorry about your husband. I knew he was sick for awhile. I miss seeing you both and having our little talks. He was always such a gentleman. My prayers and thoughts are with you at this time. May it help to know friends care.*

liz morelle - February 27, 2016 at 04:20 PM

TF

“ Please accept our sincere condolences. Peace and prayers from our family to yours.



Tim & Colleen Moylan Family - February 27, 2016 at 06:54 AM

MC

“ Louie
Thank-you for always making the effort to visit me and my mom when you came to Florida. We truly enjoyed the visits. We love and miss you!
Cousin Marybeth

Marybeth Castraberti - February 26, 2016 at 10:59 AM

MC

“ Marilyn Crocco sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Louis C. LaFache



Marilyn Crocco - February 25, 2016 at 05:44 PM

MC

Laughter makes the heart grow fonder, and Louie could make us all laugh. I have very fond childhood memories of him. Godspeed Louie.

Marilyn Crocco - February 25, 2016 at 05:47 PM

CR

“ *My sincere condolences to the LaFache family and cousins Carmella and Tom Lanci and Geraldine and Anthony Caropreso and families. May your cherished thoughts and memories of your beloved Louie comfort you at this difficult time. Rest in peace, Louie*

Camille (Sofia) Rafferty

Camille (Sofia) Rafferty - February 25, 2016 at 05:33 PM



JD

“ *Franny Ray and I want to send our thoughts and prayers. RIP Lou*

Jeana and Ray Difondi - February 25, 2016 at 05:14 PM



CD

“ *RIP. Fran, I am so sorry to ear about Louie's passing. Know that you are in my thoughts and prayers at this time. Cousin Louie, you were one of my favorites! RIP ~ Cousin Chris*

Chris Dinardo - February 25, 2016 at 02:15 PM



AM

“ *Andrea Thomas Molloy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Louis C. LaFache*



Andrea Thomas Molloy - February 25, 2016 at 12:40 PM

JO

“ *Our thoughts are with your family. Lou wasn't a resident with us very long, but he was well liked and will be missed.*

Staff and friends...Brook Apartments

Jody - February 25, 2016 at 08:58 AM

AC

“ *We are So Sorry for your loss, Our Thoughts and prayer are with you and family! Andy & Linda Convertino*

Andy & Linda Convertino - February 25, 2016 at 08:50 AM

TS

“ *Thomas J Saladino lit a candle in memory of Mr. Louis C. LaFache*



Thomas J Saladino - February 25, 2016 at 05:22 AM

MB

“ Our deepest condolences to the La Fache Family and also to our cousins, Mella and Tom Lanci and Geraldine and Anthony Caropreso. You are all in our thoughts and prayers at this most difficult time. God Bless you Louie. Rest in peace.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo P. Bressette - February 24, 2016 at 10:17 PM

JL

“ John Lilli sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Louis C. LaFache



John Lilli - February 24, 2016 at 09:34 PM

AS

“ Anna Shaut sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Louis C. LaFache



Anna Shaut - February 24, 2016 at 08:47 PM

DB

“ Fran, I'm sorry to hear about Louie's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May he rest in peace.

Debbie Barbero - February 24, 2016 at 06:08 PM