



## Mr. Mario Bevivino

January 1, 1938 - October 1, 2015

Mr. Mario Bevivino, age 77, went home to the Lord when he passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, October 1, 2015 at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center with his loving family by his side.

Born in Filadelfia, Province of Catanzaro, in the region of Calabria, Italy on January 1, 1938, Mario was the son of the late Girolamo and Carmela (Ruscio) Bevivino. At the age of 17, Mario immigrated to the United States under the sponsorship of his uncle and aunt, Charles and Angela Bevivino who were like second parents to him. On April 15, 1961 he married the former Antonia "Gianna" Sezzi with whom he shared 54 years. Mario and Gianna worked as a team and complemented the ideals of family life. They set a fine example for their children through their sacrifices and sanctity of core values they embraced to preserve their culture and traditions.

When Mario arrived in America, he brought with him his talents as a master carpenter and craftsman that he put to use in his employment at various area construction companies. He subsequently became a self-employed craftsman who saw the beauty in the works he created. He designed and built properties with pride and premium workmanship. His clients admired his work and the knowledge which he often shared openly with those who wanted to know the fine points of the trade. Mario was blessed with a humble personality and an old-country work ethic that can be seen today in his children and grandchildren. He was also proud of his heritage and was a true family man. As a parent, he instilled in his children the importance of manners and

genuine kindness to others. He put his family first and he was a good provider. He was a man of few words, but his acts defined the decent man he was. He enjoyed a friendly game of cards with family and friends, and Sunday dinners were special and very memorable. Mario enjoyed dancing and could light up any dance floor; people were joyous to see his passion. He held his loved ones in his heart and was happiest when they gathered at his home. He maintained a huge vegetable garden with his father-in-law that produced a bounty of figs, fruit, and vegetables that he shared with everyone. The grapevines in his back yard were most often the meeting place for conversations of everyday life. Mario kept the heritage of his homeland alive by listening to Italian music, radio broadcasts, and reading his native language newspapers. In tune with his heritage, he sent each of his children to his home town in Calabria to honor and remember their cultural lineage and legacy.

Mario is survived by his devoted wife, Gianna; their children and their loved ones, Girolamo "Jerry" and Deborah M. Bevivino, Maria C. and David Zongrone, Francesca Bevivino and Daniel F. Dobish, Mario A. Bevivino and Stephanie Tocci, Giordano and Deanna Bevivino, and Matthew P. and Stacey Bevivino; and his grandchildren, Marcella, Vincent, Francesco, and Dominique Bevivino; and David Zongrone. He will also remain in the hearts of his sisters and brothers-in-law, Maria and Vincenzo Carchedi, Ester and Aldo Antonacchi, Dr. Francesca Bevivino; and his brothers and sisters-in-law, Giuseppe and Donatella Bevivino, and Domenico and Lina Bevivino, all of Italy; his many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and his fellow immigrant family members and friends, especially those he socialized with at the "Get Together Club" in more recent years. He was predeceased by his brothers and sisters-in-laws, Vito and Melina Bevivino, and Antonio and Maria Bevivino; his sister and brother-in-law, Anna and Benito Pulice; his in-laws, Giordano and Maria Sezzi, with whom he shared his home and his heart.

The family will honor and celebrate Mario's life in a private gathering.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Mario's funeral service and Celebration of Life which will commence on Monday at 11:00 at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish where his Mass of Christian Burial will be offered by Rev. James Cesta and con-celebrant Rev. Joseph Salerno. The family will receive visitors at the conclusion of Mass. By family request, please omit floral offerings. Entombment will take place in Calvary Cemetery Mausoleum at the convenience of the family.

# Tribute Wall

RG

“ Prayers sent to Giovanna and family. Your family was so much a part of my early life. Our family shared many good times ..... As we get older we appreciate our Memories of neighborhood filled with our Italian heritage that made us so unique. Love always Rosanne Spina Giardina

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**rosanne spina giardina** - October 12, 2015 at 07:00 AM

CF

“ My deepest sympathies to Gianna, "Mrs. B" and all the Bevino Family. This is a great loss for all who knew Mr. "B". His Italian heritage was the foundation that taught his children that "Family" is most important. I sadly had to miss His Mass, to babysit, so my children could attend. I was there in thought and prayer. God Bless.

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**Carolyn Faccioli** - October 07, 2015 at 08:54 AM

KF

“ So very sorry for the loss of your dad, husband & grandfather. He was such a good man. May God be with you all during this trying time and may you have peace knowing he is still with you all. God bless you always.

*The Furgol Family*

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**Kimberly Furgol** - October 06, 2015 at 07:07 PM

EF

“ *Edwin Burgos Naples FL lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mario Bevivino*



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**Edwin Burgos Naples FL** - October 06, 2015 at 07:02 PM

KF

“ *Kimberly Furgol lit a candle in memory of Mr. Mario Bevivino*



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**Kimberly Furgol** - October 06, 2015 at 07:01 PM

KB

“ *Gianna, Jerry and Family,*

*We were so sad to hear of Mario's passing. He was such a nice man. Please know that your family is in our thoughts and prayers. Mom and Dad were on their way back to Florida when they heard the news. We are all thinking about you during this time.*

*Joe and Katie Baggetta and Kathy*

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**Kathy Baggetta** - October 06, 2015 at 10:05 AM

SW

“ *Gianna and family: I was so sad to hear about Mario's passing. Having lost my father two years ago I know what you are feeling. There is a huge whole in your lives that will always be there but that you can fill over time by remembering all the good times you had with him. I will always remember the fun times we had at your house while I was growing up in Utica. Specific memories include your dad would yelling at us in the basement; hanging out outside under the grapevine and enjoying the great food your mom (and my mom) prepared. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.*

*-Susan (Perissinotto) Woodhouse*

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**Susan Woodhouse** - October 05, 2015 at 03:06 PM

AC

“ *Dear Joanne, I was so sorry to hear Mario passed before we had a chance to visit again. We were so busy with my mom's illness that we never did get together with you, but I planned to make it my business to try to visit as much family as possible when we came back up in a few weeks. Now that chance to see Mario again is lost forever, and it makes me feel so sad. I have so many wonderful memories of him, he was always such a happy guy, always smiling and laughing. We all loved him so. My first and strongest memory of him was when he first came to Utica. He must have been a teenager and I fell madly in love with him when he gave me a ride on the handlebar of his bike!! He was so handsome, all his life! He will be forever missed. Love to you and the family, Andrea*

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**Andrea Conklin** - October 05, 2015 at 10:27 AM

AD

“ *To the Bevivino Family ,So sorry to hear of Mr. Bevivino passing you are all in are thoughts and prayers*

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**Anthony & Elizabeth Decarolis** - October 05, 2015 at 10:04 AM

SB

“ *Mario, sorry about the loss of ur dad. may he rest in peace*

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**sal barbero** - October 05, 2015 at 12:17 AM

JL

“ *Gianna and family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Mario will be surely missed and his mark that he leaves behind will never be forgotten. I am truly grateful for the friendship that you and Mario had shown my family and will keep you, your family and Mario in my prayers. May God bless you all, especially in this most difficult time.*

*Sincerely, John J. Longeretta*

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**John J. Longeretta** - October 04, 2015 at 04:31 PM

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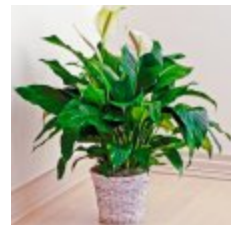
“ *Thinking of you and Mario ,and want you to know Mario was always a gentleman and friend. And I will miss him . Don Hicks ( former resident of 10 Avery pl. and P. A. With Dr wickline , Antonia , I hope your knee is doing you well ) God Bless*

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**don** - October 04, 2015 at 06:51 AM

CM

“ *Clareen M. purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Mr. Mario Bevivino.*



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**Clareen M.** - October 03, 2015 at 12:08 PM



Michele  
Mandia

“ *Rest In Peace Mr. Bev. You will be missed. Prayers to your family and my best friend Debbie and Jerry, Vin and Dominique.  
Love The Mandia's, Little Fuji and Checko.*

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**Michele Mandia** - October 02, 2015 at 05:56 PM

PA

“ *I will forever remember your laughter. Your flower girl...Paula* ❤️

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**Paula** - October 02, 2015 at 03:52 PM

JD

“ *Dearest Gianna and family, I am so sad and sorry to read of the passing of Mario . My heart is full of thoughts and prayers for all of you. I remember all times spent in your backyard playing and eating those wonderful grapes from the grapevine .Mario would always have a huge beautiful smile on his face to greet us. Every time he would pass by our house ( 6 homes away from yours) , he would always be sure to wave to my mom sitting on the front porch. My parents had always remembered the day he came to Leeds st from Italy and took him into their hearts instantly. He was a kind and very hard working family man and I will remember him in my prayers . My heart goes out to all of you.....as always Joanie DeGeorge*

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**joanie degeorge** - October 02, 2015 at 02:48 PM

FB

“ 4 files added to the album *New Album Name*



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**FRANCESCA BEVIVINO** - October 02, 2015 at 02:36 PM

JM

“ *Our thoughts and prayers for your family, love you all from Nate and Jennifer Malagese.*

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**jennifer malagese** - October 02, 2015 at 07:35 AM



“ *Great man and father. Will be missed by a lot of people. God bless*



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**Hank Furgol** - October 01, 2015 at 10:30 PM