



Mr. Michael DeSalvo

July 25, 1961 - April 18, 2012

Mr. Michael DeSalvo, age 50, a native of Utica and currently a resident of Syracuse, passed away on Wednesday, April 18, 2012 in the comfort of his home with his loving family by his side.

Michael was born in Utica on July 25, 1961, the son of the late Anthony J. “Tony” and Doris (Pacilio) DeSalvo. Raised and educated locally, he was a graduate of J.F.K. High School Class of 1979 and later attended college at SUNY Potsdam where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics.

For many years, Michael held the position of Computer Consultant and Software Programmer at Syracuse University until the time of his illness. Outgoing and friendly, Michael’s greatest concern in the world was for his family and friends. He was a great entertainer, and as a child he was a member of the Rhythm-Lites involved in community and goodwill performances from Broadway to rock and roll. Some shows were local and many went on tour. To balance his active life, Michael enjoyed the quiet surroundings of his home where he engaged in landscaping and tending to his garden. He loved riding his motorcycle and rooting for the Orangemen of Syracuse University.

Michael is survived by his sister, Cathy DeSalvo of Fort Lauderdale, FL; his brother and sister-in-law, Anthony J. “Tony” and Lisa M. (Parson) DeSalvo of Cicero; his nephew and niece, Anthony J. DeSalvo, and Catheryn E. DeSalvo; his aunts and uncles, Evelyn Pardi, Geraldine “Geri” and Frank Voce, Robert

and Adele Pacilio, Anthony and Barbara Pacilio, Dennis and Vicki Pacilio, and Helen DiRienzo; many cousins; and longtime friend Ernest "Pete" Longyear. He was predeceased by many aunts and uncles.

The family is grateful to Michael's dear friend, Pete, and his caregivers at Hospice of CNY Onondaga County, and Upstate Medical Center, Dr. Alicia Bair, and Dr. Tim Endy for their loving and compassionate care during Michael's illness.

Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend a Memorial Gathering in honor of Michael which will be held Wednesday afternoon May 2, from 1:00-3:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Those wishing to express an act of kindness in lieu of flowers may make a donation to the American Cancer Society; envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Mausoleum

2407 Oneida Street
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 735-2727

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 2. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.
932 South Street
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Service

MAY 2. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Eannace Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Michael DeSalvo*



Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. - April 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ *Just seeing this. I have great memories of my friend Michael. So thankful for all his help on various school projects. Without his help I doubt I would've graduated HS! Micheal put up with my incessant nagging to get his bother to get the Motoski running so we could snowmobile through the streets of N. Utica. What fun we had in Rhythm Lights. God Bless you Michael. I'm sure you and Doris are heading up a performance group together right now.*

Steve Richards

Steve Richards - November 26, 2015 at 01:32 PM

LD

“ *Cathy/Tony and the entire DeSalvo family...*

We were saddened to hear of Michael's passing. So very sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

The world lost a very special, kind and talented person when your brother passed.

The DiNardi's (Lou Ann and Rock)

Lou Ann DiNardi - May 02, 2012 at 09:51 AM

TD

“ 36 files added to the album Michael



Tony DeSalvo - April 30, 2012 at 07:42 PM

JO

So many happy memories - we will all miss Mikey terribly! I am thankful to have known and loved him as a friend and family member and thankful he is no longer suffering. You will always be in my heart Mikey! Love ya! Jeri Oaks

Jerilyn Oaks - May 02, 2012 at 08:12 AM

TT

“ *My most sincere condolences go out to the DeSalvo family. Michael was an amazing friend throughout high school - from John F. Kennedy performing arts groups to the Rhythm-Lites to "disco" dance lessons - we were constant companions. He was a gifted singer and dancer, but more importantly, a great person with a big heart. My prayers are with the family during this difficult time.*

Tammy Taylor-Brown

Tammy Taylor-Brown - April 29, 2012 at 04:25 PM

CS

“ I am very sadden that my mom just told me of Michaels passing. He was my friend growing up and always nice to my sister Geraldine Sciortino as well. He was my favorite entertainer since I first remember him singing and dancing at Seymour School. Boy was he good! I loved him again in the Rhythym Lites! He had a great voice and boy was he entertaining!! I am sorry to hear that a man my age passed so young. Although, after he graduated, I never did see him again, but I know he will be entertaining in heaven as he did here on earth! Those angels better watch out, they now will have competition once Mike starts his singing and dancing! I will see you later Michael! Thank you for everything... Your N. Utica friend,
Catherine N. Sciortino

Catherine N. Sciortino - April 29, 2012 at 03:55 PM

DJ

“ David W Dunbar Jr lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael DeSalvo



David W Dunbar Jr - April 29, 2012 at 02:18 PM

MB

“ Melissa Banas lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael DeSalvo



Melissa Banas - April 27, 2012 at 06:18 PM



“ *De Salvo family, I am so very sorry for your loss. Michael will always be part of the fond memories of Rhythm-Lites for me. I was recently showing those pictures to my children and of course, there was Mike. Your family will be in my thoughts and prayers during this time. Patty (Antonik) Shealey, Raleigh*

Patty shealey - April 26, 2012 at 09:39 PM



“ *Steven Phillips lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael DeSalvo*



Steven Phillips - April 26, 2012 at 04:21 PM



A kind man, with a big heart and an even bigger laugh...it was a pleasure knowing him, he will be missed.

Steven Phillips - April 26, 2012 at 04:23 PM

VM

“ *So sorry to hear of Michael's passing. I worked with him at Bird, and what I remember most is his smile, and his laugh. He will be missed.*



Valarie Massulik - April 25, 2012 at 05:33 PM

DM

“ *Michael - I was sorry to hear of your passing. You always had a smile and a kind heart - and you were a soft touch for those girl scout cookies.*



Diane McKenney - April 25, 2012 at 03:32 PM

SL

“ *Sharon Lamirande lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael DeSalvo*



Sharon Lamirande - April 25, 2012 at 07:10 AM

DL

To the Pacillio family....sorry for the loss of your nephew. Condolences and prayers are with you.

David V. (Lee) Lia - April 29, 2012 at 07:33 AM

DB

“ *I was so very sad to read of Michael's passing today. We worked together many years ago at Univera Health Care, where we became fast friends. He was one of the most giving, funny, upbeat people I've ever known and I will miss him dearly. Daphne (Walts) Brown*

Daphne Brown - April 25, 2012 at 06:01 AM

DM

“ I worked in the basement of Bird Library for many years. Michael was always cheerful and smiling when I would come around the corner to bother a Tech Support staff member. He had a great sense of humour. I will really miss him.

*Dorcas MacDonald
Syracuse*

Dorcas MacDonald - April 24, 2012 at 11:21 PM

TS

“ Tony & family~~I was very surprised when I read of your brother's passing. My thoughts are with you..

Tauni Stone-O'Toole - April 24, 2012 at 10:53 AM

MS

“ We will miss Michael tapping with us. So sorry to learn of his death.
Marie

Marie Sarno - April 21, 2012 at 05:33 PM

PK

Kathy and Tony , I am so saddened at the passing of Michael. I remember the family parties/picnics and always having a lot of laughs w/ Mike. Patty Russo - Klimacek

Patty Russo - Klimacek - April 24, 2012 at 07:44 AM

HF

“ Our hearts go out to the entire DeSalvo family. We are very sorry for the loss of your dear, sweet and talented family member.

Harris, Lee, Agen and Lockwood families - April 21, 2012 at 04:35 PM

PP

“ *Paula Polinski lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael DeSalvo*



paula polinski - April 21, 2012 at 12:35 PM

JL

“ *Michael: Tap ... ta ... tap. You will forever be in our back corner of tap class. We are keeping a space for you. Tiny steps, Buddy. You will be missed. Judith*

Judith A. LaManna - April 21, 2012 at 08:41 AM

BA

“ *Not sure how to replace this happy, positive presence in my life.....so very saddened at his passing.....bevan*

bevan angier - April 20, 2012 at 10:37 AM

RP

“ *I used to work with Michael at GE and remember both him and his family. I am very sad to read about his passing.*

Ruth Prier - April 20, 2012 at 08:14 AM

LZ

“ *Linanne Zehr lit a candle in memory of Mr. Michael DeSalvo*



Linanne Zehr - April 19, 2012 at 07:01 PM

LZ

You made a difference in the eyes of others!

Linanne Zehr - April 19, 2012 at 07:03 PM

KW

Never encountered you without coming away with my spirits buoyed up. We will all miss you.

Kenneth Wooster

Kenneth Wooster - April 20, 2012 at 08:36 AM

CP

To our wonderful cousin Michael. May you rest in peace. We will miss you but you will be forever in our hearts. We love you!

Corky, Cliff, Chris, Casey and Chris

Corky Patterson - April 20, 2012 at 12:43 PM

PD

To the family of Michael DeSalvo, my deepest sympathy for your loss. We lost our son, Domenick at the same age 2 year's ago. Our heart's go out to his family.

Peter & Mary DeSalvo

Peter DeSalvo - April 20, 2012 at 08:00 PM