



## Mr. Pasquale Guiseppe "Pat" Muraco

September 30, 1938 - November 1, 2017

UTICA - Mr. Pasquale Guiseppe "Pat" Muraco, age 79, peacefully passed away on All Saints Day, Wednesday, November 1, 2017 with his loving family by his side.

Born in Utica on September 30, 1938, Pasquale was the son of the late Frank and Rosalie (Giacona) Muraco. He was raised and educated locally. Pat was an incredible bowler and an avid outdoorsman who loved fishing and "mushroom hunting." A proud veteran of the United States Marine Corps, he honorably served his country as a rifleman stationed in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. After his service ended, he went on to hold jobs at Delorio's Bakery, worked on an ice cream truck with his best friend Joe, and was especially honored to be a Foreman at Berger's Waste and Metal Company for the late David and Leah Berger.

On September 9, 1961 he was wed to Sandra L. "Sandy" Rabideau, and they were blessed with four children. They cherished the unity of their family, and as parents Pat and Sandy instilled in their children a sense of respect and togetherness in family. Sandy passed away on October 20, 2015.

Pat was a kind and generous man, who would spend countless hours watching QVC to find the perfect "just because" gifts for his family. He donated to many charities, showed devotion to St. Rosalie and loved spending his time at home with his rescue cats Bubba and Boomer whom he loved unconditionally. He loved to cook and always enjoyed making mushroom stew, homemade egg nog, beef stew, and his amazing steak sandwiches; but

nothing made him happier than preparing the fish and shrimp with his family for Christmas Eve Dinner.

One of Pat's best qualities was one he didn't even realize he had - his humor, which his family has lovingly dubbed "Pat-isms." Whether he was asking you if you were on "Spacebook" (Facebook), looking to head to McDonald's for a "Binghamton Tasty" (Big and Tasty), saying things that were very "pacific" (Specific) or counting to "tree" (Three) he was always making his family laugh. He was a huge music lover, a fan of the Atlanta Braves, loved watching Rio Bravo and especially enjoyed a good whiskey sour.

Pat is survived by his children and their spouses, Leah and Anthony Donaldson, Kim and Joseph Blidy, David and Jennifer Muraco, and Melissa and Lance Benware; his grandchildren, Dana and Anthony Colantuono, Michael and Brittani Donaldson; Brittany, Katherine, Nicole, and Emily Blidy; Andrew, Allison, and Aaron Muraco; and his great-grandson Rocco Anthony Colantuono who lovingly called him "GiGi". He also leaves behind his sister and brother-in-law, Mary A. and Anthony "Tony Cee" Citrinite; his Aunt Antoinette (Morocco) Sinisgalli, niece Tina and Greg Drennan and nephew Anthony and Ronda Citrinite, sister-in-law and brother-in-law Donna (Rabideau) and Steve Sarus; and many other nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and many friends. He was predeceased by his younger brother, Frank S. "Butch" Muraco, Jr. with whom he shared a unique connection and special bond that playfully earned them the nicknames "Crummy and Dummy"; his in-laws, Lucille (Rabideau) and Henry "Jim" Williams, Marilyn and Joseph DeAngelis, Wayne and Patricia Rabideau, and Kenneth and Patricia Rabideau.

The family wishes to thank the Veterans Administration Hospital and the Rome Clinic, especially Dr. Timothy Mathis who was a great advocate for Pat's needs. A special thank you to his many caregivers through the years, and at the final stage of his journey, Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc., especially Crystal, who provided respectful, compassionate care.

Visitation will be held Sunday from 2:00-5:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home,

Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. In lieu of flowers, those wishing to express an act of kindness may make a donation in his memory to the Herkimer County Humane Society, 514 NY-5S, Mohawk, NY 13407 or online at [www.herkhumane.org](http://www.herkhumane.org); envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Pasquale's funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence on Monday morning at 9:30 from the funeral home and at 10:30 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. Pasquale will be laid to rest amongst his family in St. Agnes Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## **St. Agnes Cemetery**

601 Arthur Street  
Utica, NY 13501  
(315) 732-8588

# Tribute Wall

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“ dave, sorry for the loss of your dad. may he rest in peace.

sal barbero - November 08, 2017 at 12:55 AM

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“ In sympathy, Tony & Lucy Migliaccio, Kissimmee, FL purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Mr. Pasquale Guiseppa "Pat" Muraco.



In sympathy, Tony & Lucy Migliaccio, Kissimmee, FL -  
November 04, 2017 at 08:56 PM



“ Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Mr. Pasquale Guiseppa "Pat" Muraco.



November 04, 2017 at 10:28 AM



“ Love's Embrace Roses – Purple was purchased for the family of Mr. Pasquale Guiseppa "Pat" Muraco.



November 04, 2017 at 09:40 AM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Mr. Pasquale Guiseppe "Pat" Muraco.*



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November 03, 2017 at 09:24 PM



“ *Mary and Family, Remembering all the good times with Pat and rest of family at Aunt Maggie's for Sunday dinners, and those big penny poker games after dinner. Condolences to all the Family and may He rest in peace. Love and Peace to all'*

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**Larry Calenzo** - November 03, 2017 at 07:46 AM



“ *To Leah and the entire Family of Pat my deepest condolences. Growing up Pat was like family to me! My thoughts and prayers to all of You*



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**Jeana DiFondi** - November 03, 2017 at 06:27 AM