



Dr. Raymond A. Liuzzi

December 5, 1944 - September 5, 2017

WHITESBORO - Dr. Raymond A. Liuzzi, age 72, passed away on Tuesday, September 5, 2017 at the Faxon-St. Luke's Healthcare Center with his loving family at his side.

Born in Utica on December 5, 1944, Raymond was the son of the late Frank and Rose (Alito) Comito Liuzzi. He was a graduate of T.R. Proctor High School/Class of 1962 and continued his education at Utica College matriculating to Syracuse University where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering, completed a Masters degree program in Engineering, and pursued postgraduate doctoral studies earning a PhD in Computer Science. On September 9, 1967 he married his true love, the former Lorraine M. Corigliano. Their love story is an inspiration, each equally devoted to the other. Their unspoken, never boastful, strong bond has come full circle as tomorrow is their 50th wedding anniversary.

In 1966, Ray began his professional career at the Air Force Research Lab at Griffiss Air Force Base and he held the title of Senior and Supervisory Computer Scientist. He retired in 2006 after many continuous years of service. Upon retirement, he established Raymond Technology, a venture that again reflected his work ethic in a profession he loved. He served as a consultant in his field and maintained all his contacts to his last day, a testament to his passion in job performance, knowledge in his field, and the respect he garnered from his clients and community. Ray always kept things light, but like the sun, he had a tremendous gravitational pull on anyone in his sphere of

influence.

Ray was a magnanimous man, a great leader, and a social coordinator. Although he worked hard, he enjoyed life, and his hospitality and light-hearted personality sparked the party. He had an optimistic mindset and sought out the good in everyone. He led by example, especially with his family. He taught his children to work hard and appreciate the value of each day. He championed education as the nucleus and principle element of success. Ray never missed a minute of life and was magical in making his way through the maze. When grandchildren came into his life, "Pops" was in his happiest mode. He was the center of their lives and did so many great and wonderful things with them. He never skipped a sporting or school event. He thought of his family in so many ways and was generationally beloved. He was also very proud of his heritage and roots. He made each holiday special and the Christmas seasons of past and present were unforgettable. The enthusiasm he exuded on family trips was memorable and made for quite a journey. He knew how to have fun and get the most out of these occasions. "Camp Liuzzi" was host to many summer gatherings, Sunday sunsets, Bocce games, and he especially enjoyed every visit with family and friends. As a sportsman, he appreciated the camaraderie of the game of golf with his weekly league. He was a great coach, and all his team players loved him. He also ran over 20 Boilermakers and more recently he volunteered his time. He and Lorraine continued to remain active by taking daily walks. Always an educator and cognitive architect, Ray continued his career as an Adjunct Professor in the Computer Science Department at Utica College. He was a member of The Catholic Community of Whitesboro at St. Paul's Church. He was a believer and practiced his faith each day in so many ways.

Raymond is survived by his wife, Lorraine; his daughters and sons-in-law, Jacqueline and James Bushey, and Karla and Christopher Williams; his son and daughter-in-law, Raymond and Jennifer Liuzzi; and his grandchildren, Jimmy, Taylor, and Ryan Bushey; Ashley, Tara, and Megan Williams; and Maria Liuzzi. Always close to his heart was the memory of his infant

granddaughter, Kirsten Anne Bushey who preceded him. He also leaves his sister and brother-in-law, Barbara and David Kearney; his brothers and sisters-in-law, Frank Liuzzi, Louis and Esther Comito, Mary Lourdes (Comito) Chiffy, Geraldine and Pasquale Merola, Anthony and Andrea Corigliano, and Michelle Corigliano. He will be affectionately remembered as "Uncle Ray" to his many nieces and nephews; and many special friends and co-workers who blessed his life. He was predeceased by his siblings and their spouses, Helen and Lawrence O'Brien, Peter and Delores Liuzzi, Lucille and Stanley Kuznia, Katherine and Arthur DelMedico, Joseph Comito, Alice Liuzzi, and Patricia and Anthony Orsaio; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Anthony and Sarah Corigliano; and brother-in-law, James Corigliano.

Visitation will be held Friday (today) from 4:00-7:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. The family will remain until all visitors have been seen. By family request, please omit floral offerings. Raymond's funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence on Saturday morning at 8:30 from the funeral home and at 9:30 at The Catholic Community of Whitesboro at St. Paul's Church where his Mass of Christian Burial will be offered by Rev. Thomas Durant. Interment will follow graveside in Calvary Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 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

SEP 9. 9:30 AM (ET)

The Catholic Community of Whitesboro at St. Paul's Church
16 Park Ave.
Whitesboro, NY 13492
<https://stpaulswhitesboro.org/>

Tribute Wall

CL

“ Hi....my name is Chuck Lochner. I grew up with Ray on Rutger St. In Utica. I had little to no contact with Ray through the years but my neighborhood memories of Ray remain. We had fun together and although he probably wouldn't remember me I do remember him. Reading his obituary was inspiring. Your grief will be powerful as you already know. As a Priest I have accompanied so many people on that difficult journey. But from the other side he will help you. Ask him and I am sure he will find a way to help. My prayers for you and your family. Chuck+

charles lochner - September 27, 2017 at 09:46 PM

CL

“ Lorrain and family. Dori and I are so sorry for the loss of Ray. He was a good friend and we had a lot of fun together. Dori and I are so sorry we could not be there with you to express our sympathy. We have been in Hawaii last two weeks. We will always be thinking of Ray everytime we go to Vegas and the TS. Please express our sympathy to your family for us.
Carmen and Dori

Carmen and Dori Luvera - September 11, 2017 at 05:30 PM

RP

“ Lorraine, I am so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.
Roseann Petronella

Roseann Petronella - September 09, 2017 at 07:45 AM

CC

“ dear lorraine and family, our deepest and heartfelt sympathy to you and all your family. we are all so saddened on the loss of Ray we all have great memories of him. God will get a great person. sinserely with love .
the cirocco family



cosmo cirocco - September 08, 2017 at 10:15 PM

MA

“ Lorraine, Ray & Jen - so very sorry to hear about this. My prayers going out to your families.

Mary - September 08, 2017 at 09:23 PM

KS

“ Dera Lorraine and family
Our deepest sympathy to you on the loss of your husband, dad, grand dad .
Having known you all through our old StPauls connection , it is with saddness that we read of Rays illness and passing. He is remembered as a kind friendly man with whom we interacted on many occassions , as parents involved in the school lives of our children.
Prayers for you all as you heal and move forward in his path of beautiful example
Steve and Kathy Sanger and family

kathy sanger - September 08, 2017 at 01:32 PM

LP

“ Dear Lorraine and Family:

I am deeply saddened to hear about the loss of Ray. I have fond memories of the many bus trips that he organized to the Yankee games. When reading Ray's obituary, it summed up his life as to what a wonderful Husband, Father, Grandfather, and a good friend he was to all who knew him. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with the entire Liuzzi family at this most difficult time. RIP Ray!!!

*With deepest sympathy
Liz Palumbo*

Liz Palumbo - September 08, 2017 at 11:46 AM

JM

“ *Ray, Jen, Maria and entire Liuzzi family
Sending deepest sympathy and thoughts and prayers.*

Jeanna Marraffa - September 08, 2017 at 08:55 AM

JG

“ *Lorraine and family,
I don't know what to say, our hearts truly break for you. Ray was such a great guy, I remember the fun we had in Vegas together. His smile was contagious and always had a story to tell. I remember always running into you guys when our granddaughter and yours played basketball against each other. He was always happy to see us. He will be missed by so many, especially his loving family. I pray that our Lord gives you strength to get through this. We cry for our loss, but he is in a much better place with that million dollar smile. Praying for you and sending our condolences and love.....Janet and Bill*

Janet gardinier - September 07, 2017 at 08:48 PM

AC

“ I didn't think there were enough words to describe Ray's love of life and the extraordinary example of compassion, generosity and love for his family and friends but this obituary captured the essence of the life he lead and the wonderful man he was. He will be so missed by so many but he will live on in the hearts and memories of each and everyone of us who were fortunate enough to be in his life in some way. We love you always, Ray.



Andrea Corigliano - September 07, 2017 at 05:18 PM

RM

“ Rich and Denise, Tim and Mary purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Dr. Raymond A. Liuzzi.



Rich and Denise, Tim and Mary - September 07, 2017 at 03:17 PM



Jessica Gestwicki

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Jessica Gestwicki - September 07, 2017 at 02:36 PM

BC

“ So very sorry for your family's loss...a wonderful father, grandfather, spouse, and friend. So many good memories and always, that smile. Sending prayers to comfort you, with love from the Cavano family



Bobbie Cavano - September 07, 2017 at 11:12 AM

JC

Of all the people I've worked with at Rome Lab, 3 or 4 really stood out, and of those, Ray was at the top. He was my mentor and my friend. It wasn't just that Ray was smart (oh, he was) but he had a way at looking at a problem or an issue and finding something that nobody else could see or asking a question that put everything into a new light.

But what really separated Ray from everyone else was his infectious smile, his zest for life, his impish pursuit of fun. Everything became an adventure. Whether you saw him yesterday or last month or last year, Ray was the type of person you picked up with exactly as where you left him. Perhaps that's because Ray really cared about people. My family still remembers all the bus trips he organized to take so many people to a Yankee game.

Ray loved education. I had the honor of working along side him while he was pursuing his doctorate. Ray loved to bounce ideas off people, and he did that to me. For the privilege of listening to him as he worked on his dissertation, he always said he would buy me a lobster dinner, and he did. Not that I had anything to do with his accomplishment, but Ray never hesitated in sharing the glory of his achievements - never.

And Ray loved his complicated bets on golf. We would win a dime, and you would have thought we won the lottery. It was the bragging rights, you see, although he never bragged. However, he would remind you which hole he outdrove you.

Ray was all about having fun with his family and his friends. Now heaven is a brighter place than ever...because Ray is there...having fun...and sharing and caring. Love, Joe

Joseph P Cavano - September 07, 2017 at 07:36 PM



My condolences to all of Ray's family and friends. Thanks to Ray's legendary bus trips, I have so many great memories of Yankee games and all the fun gag gifts and Red Sox blooper highlights we'd watch along the way. It was always fun to be around Ray, whether it was on the golf course or running into him at the casino as I was leaving work to catch up on the latest. We'd rely on him for some horse picks during Triple Crown season, too, although he always seemed to have better luck!

To Dr. Ray - you will be sorely missed.....enjoy golf and Yankee games in heaven!

Joey Cavano

Joe Cavano - September 18, 2017 at 06:45 AM



“ *Mary Kay Bennett lit a candle in memory of Dr. Raymond A. Liuzzi*



mary kay bennett - September 07, 2017 at 10:27 AM



“ *White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. Raymond A. Liuzzi.*



September 07, 2017 at 09:37 AM

RD

“ Roger Dziegiel lit a candle in memory of Dr. Raymond A. Liuzzi



Roger Dziegiel - September 07, 2017 at 06:59 AM

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Roger Dziegiel - September 07, 2017 at 05:57 AM

EI

Karla, Chris, and girls we r so sorry for the loss of your father, our condolences and prayers are with you and your family. Love David and Eileen kraeger.

Eileen - September 07, 2017 at 09:10 AM

MB

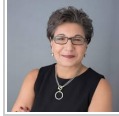
Karal, Chris and girls so sorry for your loss of your Dad and Grandpa.. my condelences to you and your entire family at this difficult time.. Love, Mary Kay Bennett

mary kay bennett - September 07, 2017 at 10:28 AM

RH

Lorraine, Jackie, Karla, Ray and Family - so sorry for your loss of your Dad. Our condolences to you and your family. Love Roger and Heather Dziegiel.

Roger and Heather - September 07, 2017 at 11:11 AM



Lorraine, Jackie, Karla, Ray & Family - Our Deepest Sympathy for the loss of your dad. Our Thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time...Love, Dennis & Azza Giorgi.

Azza Giorgi - September 07, 2017 at 01:17 PM