



Mr. Richard J. "Dick" Camarra

April 17, 1936 - January 25, 2025

INLET, NY /ST. PETE BEACH, FL – Mr. Richard J. “Dick” Camarra, age 88, passed away peacefully in the comfort and dignity of his home on Saturday, January 25, 2025.

Born in Utica on April 17, 1936, Richard was the son of the late Nicholas and Carmela (Cardamone) Camarra. He was a proud graduate of T.R. Proctor High School/Class of 1954. Upon graduating, Dick answered the call to serve his country with the U.S. Army, dedicating 8 years of service before his honorable discharge in 1962.

On September 8, 1956, Dick united in marriage with the former Rosalie Calenzo.

Dick began his work career as an environmental lab technician with the General Electric Company’s Aerospace Division at their Broad St. location. Concurrently, he attended Mohawk Valley Technical Institute and Utica College. In 1960, the couple, along with their son, relocated to California, where he enrolled in San Jose State College’s program in business and industrial management, receiving his bachelor’s degree in 1962.

Subsequently, Dick worked in various locations in California for General Mills and Wyeth Pharmaceutical Laboratories as a sales representative.

In 1966, the family returned to the Utica area. Upon his return, Dick entered the teaching profession with the Whitesboro Central School District. In 1972, he earned a master's degree in education from Syracuse University. He remained with the district, teaching in their Senior High School Business Department for 26 years prior to his retirement in 1992.

Dick is survived by his wife, Rosalie; sons and daughters-in-law, Richard J. II and Elizabeth Camarra, Scott D. and Maria Camarra, and Nicholas J. and Jessica Camarra; and grandchildren, Andrew, and Stephen Camarra; Michael Camarra, and Isabella and Andrew Fenton; and Gael Camarra. Dick was anxiously awaiting the birth of his first great-granddaughter, Sophia. He held close to his heart the memory of his brother and sister-in-law, Anthony and Margaret Camarra, who preceded him. He is additionally survived by many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins; and in-laws, Michael J. and Margaret Calenzo. He also leaves to cherish his memory dear family and friends, Ronald and Carole Cardamone, David and Beverly Cardamone, and Eugene Falvo, Sr. and his family.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Richard's Memorial Mass of Christian Burial and Celebration of Life which will commence on Saturday, June 21, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish, 648 Jay St., Utica. There will be an opportunity to greet the family at the conclusion of Mass. Inurnment will take place in Calvary Mausoleum at the convenience of the family.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Mausoleum

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

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUN **21**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish
648 Jay Street
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 735-1482
<https://www.mountcarmelblessedsacrament.com/>

Tribute Wall

RB

“ Dear Rosalie and family ,
We are so sorry to hear of Dicky . Please
know you are all in our thoughts.
With love , Rosemary Chambrone- Brown and
family. Joe and Franny Cardamone -
Chambrones’s daughter.



Rosemary Brown - June 17, 2025 at 04:13 PM

SU

“ Richard Camarra was my Uncle, Rosalie was my Aunt, he was a
very special person, always laughing, enjoyed every moment in his
life, I remember spending lots of wonderful times with them, my
Dad, my Mom, my Grandmother, my 2 Brothers, Bob, Craig, my
Cousins, Rich, Scott, Nick at a Camp in Inlet N.Y. we had. Luckily
my X-Husband Craig our Sons, Chad, Kyle also had spent times
with everyone. I have lots of pictures to go back and see of all the
wonderful times we all spent together. He will be Greatly Missed!!

Susan - June 07, 2025 at 11:05 AM

MS

“ Marc S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Richard J.
"Dick" Camarra.

Marc S. - February 14, 2025 at 10:23 AM

TP

“ To Camarra family: I had the pleasure of knowing Dick for many years. We shared many conversations about our careers in education. Please accept my sincere sympathy. May he rest in peace. Tony perrone

tony perrone - February 12, 2025 at 03:22 PM

RF

“ Dear Rosalie,
My deepest sympathy to you and your family. Dick was an extremely nice person. He was very congenial and Don and I were fortunate to be his friends. May he Rest In Peace. My thoughts and prayers are with you.
Rose Freedan

Rise Freedan - February 05, 2025 at 09:21 PM

BK

“ To Rosalie and family: My sincerest sympathy to you on the loss of "Dick", a truly remarkable man. May God bless you through your grief and maintain all those wonderful lifetime of memories. From: "Bobbie", Carole's friend

Barbara Kulpa - February 02, 2025 at 08:29 AM