



Mr. Robert A. "Bobby" Piperata

March 21, 1947 - July 19, 2019

NEW HARTFORD - Mr. Robert A. "Bobby" Piperata, age 72, went to heaven peacefully as he passed away on Friday, July 19, 2019 with his loving wife and family by his side.

Born in Utica on March 21, 1947, Robert was the son of the late Dominick J. and Laura M. (Pazzola) Piperata. He was a graduate of T.R. Proctor High School/Class of 1966 and attended MVCC. On July 5, 1969 he married his childhood sweetheart, Diana "Eah" Olivadoti. This month, they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary and the happiness those years brought. As companions and parents they were blessed in many ways.

Bobby began his working life at Dodge Graphic Press as a printer. He was also the owner and operator of Rosario's Pizzeria in New York Mills for several years, followed by his position as a manager at Castronovo's Original Grimaldi's Restaurant, and Account Manager at Smith Packing Co., Inc.

Lastly, he was associated with Royal Rose Realty, LLC as a Licensed Real Estate Agent. He was always available to lend a hand, any time, any place.

He was a fabulous cook, a passion and a skill he inherited from his dad, and that made him the main chef for family events and holidays. With a dash of his own techniques, he could cook for 3 or 300! Bobby was old school about the important things in life including respect, unconditional love, and manners. He was Santa to many children, at community events and venues, especially at Marr-Logg's this past Christmas. Because he was such a gifted conversationalist, strangers became friends, and friends were many in his life.

He had the best memories of “the home of the men”, a place where friendships that lasted a lifetime originated, in the basement of the Rositano home at 1504 Mohawk Street.

Bobby honored his wife and held her in the highest regard. They rarely missed paying their sincere respects at a wake or a funeral which reflects the way they were brought up. He adored his son and daughter-in-law who graced him with two grandchildren who cherished him and filled his heart with wonderful memories. Their Papa was their whole world and they were his everything. Bobby and Diana were originally members of St. Agnes Church where he served as an usher, Eucharistic Minister, and Trustee as well as a volunteer at all the school and annual events. They made their new home at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish and were very welcomed by the congregation. Of course, Bobby became involved in parish life as a Eucharistic Minister, an Usher, a participant in the Parish Council, Funeral Ministry, and Festival Committee. He was a loyal member of the Knights of St. John Commandery #385 and he proudly held the position of Past President and Chairman of the Board of the former Sons of Italy Lodge that transitioned to the Italian Heritage Club of the Mohawk Valley. Bobby faithfully served God and he solemnly believed in eternal life.

All in all, anyone would be lucky to have a man like Bobby in his or her life! He loved faithfully, he protected fiercely, and he will be infinitely missed by all who loved him. And if you really knew Bobby, you know he would have a fervent wish for those he loved to have hope and carry on with his memory in mind. Bobby is survived by the other part of his heart, Diana; his cherished son and daughter-in-law, Robert A. II “Rob” and Yvonne Piperata; the light of his life, grandchildren, Gia Danielle, and Alex Allan; his sister, Marie S. Morreale; and his brothers and sisters-in-law, Richard F. “Peppy” and Beverly Piperata, Victor J. and Brenda Piperata, James A. Piperata, William C. Sr. and Nancy Piperata, Paul M. Piperata, and Fred and Nancy Piperata. He also leaves his in-laws, George J. Purpura, Jeanne Castronovo, Teresa “Peaches” Olivadoti; his nieces and nephews, Susan M. Purpura; Russell J. III and Gail Morreale,

Cathy and Joseph Fitzgerald; Richard A. Piperata, Linda L. Piperata and Debbie Marshall, David M. and Patty Piperata; Victor J. II and Katie Piperata; Christina Piperata and David Buck, William C. Jr. and Scott Greenwood, Dominick and Shannon Piperata; Lisa Piperata, Tina Piperata; Karin and Wayne Murrell, Fred Piperata II and Jessica White, Laura and John Mohr; Dan P. Olivadoti; Doreen D. Castronovo with whom he shared a close bond, Gina M. and Jimmy Flihan, Kristyn M. and Michael V. Cristalli, and the memory of Dana Lynn Castronovo who was always close to his heart; many treasured great-nieces, great-nephews, a great-great-nephew, his anticipated great-great-niece; cousins, and the aggregation of many wonderful friends who have meant the world to both Bobby and Diana. He was predeceased by his sister, Loretta A. Purpura; in-laws, Dan and Mary (Piccione) Olivadoti, Russell J. Morreale, Victor C. Olivadoti, and Fred J. Castronovo; aunts and uncles, Victoria M. "Aunt Vicki" Pazzola who was a 'second mother' he never forgot, Frank J. "Pitts" Pazzola, Anthony J. and Angeline Pazzola, and Paul and Millie Pazzola; and his lifelong friend, Anthony J. LaPiccirella.

The family is grateful to Dr. Atul V. Butala, the entire staff of the Regional Cancer Center who couldn't have been any kinder, Dr. Gordon F. Fung, his primary physician whose professional advice he trusted; the personnel of the 6th Floor and PCU of MVHS at Faxton-St. Luke's for their unwavering care and compassion; Rev. James Cesta for his visits, blessings, and support; and the community of St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish who prayed for Bobby and embraced him throughout his journey.

Visitation will be held Wednesday from 4:00-7:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Members of the Knights of St. John's Commandery #385 will be meeting at 6:30 for ritualistic services. Robert's funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence on Thursday afternoon at 12:30 at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish where his Mass of Christian Burial will be offered followed by Committal prayers. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JUL **25**. 12:30 PM (ET)

St. Mary of Mount Carmel / Blessed Sacrament Parish
648 Jay St
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 735-1482

Tribute Wall

BS

“ *Diana and family, I am so sorry for your loss. This is the first that I am hearing of his passing, my heart breaks. Bob was such a loving kind hearted man. I enjoyed every time I would run into Bob and the two of you. He will be greatly miss. Our thoughts and prayer are with you and your family.* ”

Brian and Jennifer Stefka - July 28, 2019 at 11:31 AM

 Johnny Capraro

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to you and your families, I'm so very sorry for your loss.* ”



Johnny Capraro - July 27, 2019 at 11:40 AM

RS

“ *Diana and Family: Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Bobby was so kind and gentle, always smiling. Thinking of your. Love, Roseann, Walt and Timmy Starsiak.* ”

Roseann Starsiak - July 26, 2019 at 04:40 PM

MB

“ *Diana, and family. I was deeply saddened to hear of Bobby's passing. His obituary certainly said it all. He truly was one of the "great ones". He will be missed and remembered fondly by all who were lucky enough to have known him.* ”

Marlene Bogner - July 24, 2019 at 09:48 PM

MM

“ Diane and Robert. Diane what a beautiful couple..i remember in grade school....grade school how cute you too looked together..always close.your husband was such a great guy..happy you and bobby looked together.i can imagine what a beautiful life ..GOD saw all your love.so very sorry to see the news.Bobby loved you so much and everybody that knew you two loved you too.love you all.

Mary Raspante Malachowski - July 24, 2019 at 09:07 AM

MM

So sorry mary Raspante Malachowski

Mary Raspante Malachowski - July 24, 2019 at 09:09 AM

GC

Uncle Bobby will be sorely missed! He was such a wonderful uncle. I Loved him so much!

Gina Castronovo-Flihan - July 25, 2019 at 11:22 AM

LK

“ Robert Sorry. About The Lost Of Your Dad May He Rest In Peace..



Lisa klein - July 23, 2019 at 09:36 PM

JO

“ I worked with Bobby so very very many years ago at Dodge Graphic Press. His Obituary is so true! I remember him as being a true Craftsman at his trade and more importantly, a guy that would always help others. Very hard to find that quality in people today. My condolences to his family and what a special life worth celebrating!!

Joseph - July 23, 2019 at 08:47 PM

DG

“ Dear Diana, sending my prayers and love at this difficult time. Dee Gray

Dee Gray - July 23, 2019 at 08:23 PM

MB

“ Monica Barile lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert A. "Bobby" Piperata



monica barile - July 23, 2019 at 07:46 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Robert A. "Bobby" Piperata.



July 23, 2019 at 12:42 PM

LF

“ Lynette Franco lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert A. "Bobby" Piperata



Lynette Franco - July 23, 2019 at 10:49 AM

JF

“ To all of Bobby’s family (and what a Beautiful Family You all are), I’m so sorry to hear of Bobby’s passing. Just remember, that will will all take this journey one day. I know that, you know that, and Bobby certainly knows that. Isn’t it just like him to go set the table for us all. What a feast he will prepare. I will keep him, and certainly all of you, in my thoughts and prayers. There are so many of you, and I’m pretty sure I know most of you. Thank you all for your friendship, especially you Bobby. You’ve made me a better person. Having worked with him, and under his tutelage, for many years, I want to say God Bless Daddy Dick, and Momma Laura, as you welcome your Bobby home.

Jeff Franz - July 22, 2019 at 08:40 PM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Robert A. "Bobby" Piperata.



July 22, 2019 at 05:16 PM

JK

“ So very sorry to hear of Bob’s passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time.
John and Caprice Kleaka

John Kleaka - July 22, 2019 at 04:51 PM

TZ

“ Diane, I am so sorry to hear about Bobby. Ray and I truly loved sitting with him and you at their treatments, (what a place to have to meet your friends). God sure works in mysterious ways, but who are we to question him. My prayers are with you and your family to get thru this ordeal. It is not easy, take it from me.

Love and prayers

Terry Zangrilli

Terry Zangrilli - July 22, 2019 at 04:19 PM

MC

“ Diana, Rob & Family, I was so sorry to hear of this news today. Bobby was always so kind and such a gentleman. Diana I will always remember him waiting at the door for you with an umbrella; or his trips to the bank with all of our Christmas Club books. He was definitely one of a kind. My deepest sympathy to you and your entire family.

Melanie DiPerna Cortese - July 22, 2019 at 03:43 PM

LD

“ Diane, my deepest sympathy. Prayers to you and your family.
Lucille Pagliaro Dober .

Lucille Pagliar Dober - July 22, 2019 at 07:04 AM

GP

“ Diana. We were so sorry to hear about Bobby. You were blessed to have so many years together. God Bless Him and all your family.
May he Rest In Peace.

Geri and John Pallaria

Geri and John Pallaria - July 21, 2019 at 07:12 PM

RP

“ My wife Rosemarie Paladino sends her prayers, and condolences too.

ralph paladino - July 21, 2019 at 06:16 PM

RP

“ Diane and family, our deepest condolences to you. Bobby is an Angel. He was kind, considerate, compassionate, friendly, and always remembered The Wandering Troubadors, a harmonica and guitar band with his uncle Frank (Pitts) Mike Urgo, Curly Sisti and my late dad Sal Paladino. They are playing for Jesus with Bobby leading them. A man among men, Everyone always had a kind word for Bobby. May he rest in peace with Jesus and our Blessed Mother and all the saints.....



ralph paladino - July 21, 2019 at 06:15 PM

JM

“ Bobby
I am missing you already. We just saw each other at uncle Rocky's birthday party, where we engaged in our usual banter back and forth, ending in making fun of our usual subjects.
Love you buddy
Johnny Marrone

John Marrone - July 21, 2019 at 05:26 PM

BK

“ so sorry to hear of Bobbys passing, knew him from when he worked at Rosarios in north utica, rest in piece my friend ,my prays go out to the whole family.

Bill Kelly - July 21, 2019 at 03:49 PM

MV

“ Dear Diana,
So so very sorry to hear about Bobby. He was a kind and very very funny guy. We still laugh about the perch story at Sylvan Beach. We have all of your pictures that you sent us each year for Christmas. First you and Bobby, then you Bobby and Robert, and finally you, Bobby, Robert and your dog. It is just heartbreaking.

Marie & Butch Viti - July 21, 2019 at 03:00 PM

AM

Diana so sorry to hear about Bobby we had fun going up and you had married a wonderful person .God bless you and your family.

Anthony & Delores Moschetti - July 21, 2019 at 09:04 PM

PH

Diana , So sorry to hear of Bob's passing. He always had a smile on his face when we seen him with you. RIP Bob
Russell & Pat Hughes

Pat Hughes - July 22, 2019 at 06:14 PM

PF

“ Diana and family, I am so sorry to hear about Bobby's passing. I will miss seeing him in Church. You and all the family are in my thoughts and prayers. Pattie Franco and family.

Pattie Franco - July 21, 2019 at 01:26 PM

FL

“ Diana, we are so sorry to hear about Bobbie's passing. He was always such a sweet and friendly man. Our prayers and thoughts are with you and all the family. God Bless you, Joe and Fran Luggiero

Fran Luggiero - July 21, 2019 at 12:39 PM

SR

“ Diane, we shared some good memories years ago, he was a long. Life Friend. I'm sure he will be missed . RIP my friend 💕💕

Steve Randazzo - July 21, 2019 at 12:18 PM

PM

“ Diana - I am so sorry to learn of Bobby's passing. He was an amazing person. The two of you were truly Blessed to have shared such a wonderful loving life together. My love, thoughts, and prayers are with you and your family at this most difficult time. RIP Bobby!

Patty Caruso Murphy

Patricia Caruso Murphy - July 21, 2019 at 11:46 AM

CS

“ Dear Diana. Rob, Yvonne and all our second .ca.uly..the Piperata's.. Don and my hearts are breaking..wish we could be there with you all..We loved Bobby. Rest in peace our dearest friend..prayers to all of you..

Carol and Don Schieble - July 21, 2019 at 11:04 AM

AC

“ Diane and family...we are so sorry for your loss. Bob was always a pleasure to be around and will be missed by many. Thoughts and prayers always...love..Dan and Ann Marie Corleto

Ann Marie Corleto - July 21, 2019 at 10:53 AM

FS

“ Very sorry for your loss. May Bob Rest In Peace. Love,Francine Sansone.

Francine Sansone - July 21, 2019 at 09:36 AM

PW

“ So sorry for your loss.

patricia D williams - July 21, 2019 at 09:20 AM

RR

“ Rocco Rositano lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert A. "Bobby" Piperata



Rocco Rositano - July 21, 2019 at 08:46 AM

RR

Our deepest sympathy to the Piperata Family.

Rocco and Carol Rositano

Rocco Rositano - July 21, 2019 at 08:47 AM

GS

Diana, so sorry to about Bob. George and I will never forget the great times we had at St. Agnes. Our prayers go out to you and family at this time.

George and Sandy Salem - July 21, 2019 at 01:08 PM

PH

*Diana, So sorry to hear of Bob's passing. He always had a smile on his face when we seen him and you . RIP in Peace Bob
Russell & Pat Hghes*

Pat Hughes - July 22, 2019 at 06:13 PM

FS

“ My deepest sympathy Diana and Robert and your families.

filomena salsbury - July 21, 2019 at 07:28 AM

FR

“ *To the Piperata family, we hope our thoughts and prayers will support you at this time.*
Janice and Fred Greer



FredGreer - July 20, 2019 at 08:55 PM

FL

“ *Piperta family. So sorry to hear about Bobby. We will remember him always with a smile on his face. He was a very kind and caring person. Rest in peace. We have you all in our thoughts and prayers.*
Tom , Flo, Amanda DeSimone

Flo - July 20, 2019 at 07:57 PM

SP

Diana and family sorry for your loss Bobby will be missed by all my prayers are always with you. May Bobby RIP

sally Pugliese - July 21, 2019 at 02:09 PM

JS

So sorry to hear of Bobby's passing. My deepest sympathies to your entire family. Love, Julia Smyers

Julia Anne Smyers - July 21, 2019 at 04:36 PM

JJ

I'm so very sorry for you Diana! My sympathy to you and your family! I thought Bobby was such a great guy!

Jennifer Jewett - July 22, 2019 at 02:00 PM

PM

Diana - No words can capture the sadness you and your family must be experiencing by Bobby's passing. He was loved by so many who knew him. You and Bobby had the perfect marriage and partnership. Treasure those memories. I wish I could give you a hug. Love - Phyllis Moracco

Phyllis Moracco - July 22, 2019 at 07:57 PM