



Robert Joseph "Bob" Manca

June 26, 1923 - March 27, 2008

Mr. Robert Joseph "Bob" Manca, age 84, of Utica, passed away on Thursday, March 27, 2008 at the Faxton-St. Luke's Healthcare Center with his loving family by his side.

Born in Utica on June 26, 1923, Robert was the son of the late Salvatore and Caroline (Sorrentino) Manca. He was raised and educated in Utica, and was a proud veteran of the U. S. Air Force having served his country during World War II. On August 6, 1955 he married the former Marie Garcea with whom he shared a great love and devotion for 52 years.

A respectful and warm-hearted man, Bob lived a simplistic, quiet life. He especially enjoyed his many summers at the Atlantic City seashore. He had an affinity for horses and appreciated their natural beauty. An avid horse racing spectator, he attended the yearly Travers Race at Saratoga. He was a member of the Disabled American Veterans Leo B. Wheeler Stars & Stripes Chapter #82, and a parishioner of St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish.

Bob is survived by his wife, Marie; his sister and brother-in-law, Rita and Thomas Fierro of Utica; his many loving nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and in-laws, Mary Manca, and Nicolena Manca, both of Utica, Joyce and William Redd of CA, Frank Dardano, Sr., and Dick and Marie Trinco, all of Utica. Bob also leaves his friends, Vincent Tramacera, Ralph Cimino, Marie Luce, Carol Pugliese and all his friends at OTB. He was predeceased by his sister, Jean Dardano; his twin brother, Anthony Manca;

his brothers, Dominick Manca, and Lawrence Manca; and his sister-in-law, Loretta Trinco.

The family wishes to thank the nurses and staff of the Faxton-St. Luke's Healthcare Center Intensive Care Unit, especially acknowledging Kim, Diane, and Carol; and Dr. Christopher Max, Dr. Ferraro, and Dr. Sudershan Dang for all the care and compassion they rendered to Bob.

In keeping with Bob's wishes, there will be no public visitation. By family request, please omit floral offerings. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend his Mass of Christian Burial which will be celebrated on Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish. The family will receive visitors at the conclusion of the service. For those wishing to do so, please consider memorial contributions in Bob's honor to St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish Fund or the Disabled American Veterans Leo B. Wheeler Stars & Stripes Chapter #82; envelopes will be available at the church. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Tribute Wall



“ *When I was 16 in 1956 I worked at the Grand Union. Many of my pals from St. Francis did too. Bob was our supervisor and we all loved him. We still remember and talk about some of his fun sayings. We are all a little better people for having known him.*

*RIP, good and honorable Bob##imported-begin##Jack
Curry##imported-end##*

April 12, 2008 at 09:27 AM



“ *To The Family,*

Its been many years since our families got together but I do remember Robbie and his quick wit and gentle nature. My sincere sympathies are with all of you.

*Warm Regards.##imported-begin##Judith (Capparelli)
Schultz##imported-end##*

April 05, 2008 at 02:19 PM



“ Uncle Bob,
The love you had for my family will ALWAYS be in my heart forever. I will never forget all of the wonderful memories and special times we shared during the holidays and throughout my life. I cannot begin to thank you and Aunt Marie for ALL that you have done for me from when i was a little girl until i grew up. I am so grateful for all that you have done. You are in God's hands now, but i know that you will be looking over us all to make sure we are safe.

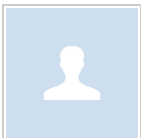
I love you and will miss you,
Lisa###imported-begin##Lisa Raehm (Trinco)##imported-end##

March 31, 2008 at 08:24 PM



“ DEAR MARIE, I AM SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT BOB. PLEASE KNOW THAT MY HEART AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU. I AM LEAVING FOR ATLANTIC CITY AND WILL BE UNABLE TO BE HERE FOR BOB'S SERVICE, BUT I WANTED YOU TO KNOW THAT MY CONDOLENCES ARE WITH YOU. WHEN I GET TO AC, I WILL SAY AN EXTRA PRAYER FOR YOU, BECAUSE I KNOW ALL THE TIMES YOU SPENT IN THAT AREA OVER THE YEARS. TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF, AND KNOW I AM THINKING OF YOU. LOVE, DARLENE###imported-begin##DARLENE TROMBETTA KING##imported-end##

March 30, 2008 at 09:49 AM



“ Marie I was so very sorry to hear about the passing of your beloved husband Bob. He is in Gods hands now. You are also in my prayers.###imported-begin##Madeline##imported-end##

March 30, 2008 at 09:26 AM



“ *Bob was truly a wonderful and kind hearted person. Those who knew him know how much he enjoyed life. His family was blessed to have so many years with him. May God bless him and his family at this hard time. He will be missed by all, but we can take comfort in the fact that he is now reunited with his departed siblings in heaven. Im sure that his family was waiting for him with rejoice and open arms.*

A Friend##imported-begin##A Friend##imported-end##

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“ *"Bob"*

We will honor and remember the beautiful, spirited man with the sweet smile and gentle heart.

He will walk in Gods light forever.

With all of our love for eternity.##imported-begin##LAURIE, JAMIE, JOLIE, JENNIFER, JESSICA, KAYLA##imported-end##

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