

## Salim "Sam" Haddad

July 7, 1928 - June 10, 2013

Mr. Salim "Sam" Haddad, age 84, passed away peacefully on the date of his mother's birth, Monday, June 10, 2013. His passing occurred at the Upstate Medical University in Syracuse with the love and support of his family by his side.

Born in Utica on July 7, 1928, Salim was the son of the late Shacker "Chick" and Mary (Trad) Haddad. Raised and educated locally, Sam was a graduate of T.R. Proctor High School/Class of 1947. On May 10, 1959 he wed the former Jean E. Caporuscio with whom he shared 54 years in a traditional marriage of their era; they were loyal, protective of each other, devoted, and very much in love.

A proud veteran of the New York Army National Guard, he honorably served his country at the Parkway East Armory. After Sam graduated from high school he began a business venture working tirelessly with his brother Solomon as vegetable farmers. Gradually, year by year, acre by acre, they built their successful dairy farm, "Haddad Brothers." Throughout the years, Sam's children assisted him on the dairy farm. After retirement in 1985, Sam and Solomon developed their dairy farm into a subdivision, "Shacker Heights," including Haddad Drive, in honor of their father. Sam characterized his career as "a wonderful life" blessed with the scenic views that he cherished. Sam's legacy lives on in his loved ones who knew him as a protective patriarch, a hard worker, and an industrious man. He was loyal to his family and held true to his moral values. Sam fought for all his beliefs and he was true to himself.

He was disciplined, self-motivated, generous, loving, and in succeeding years he embraced his sentimental side and his steadfast devotion and affection for his family.

Many would remember the strength and sincerity of his embracing handshake. He was also blessed with a great sense of humor and had a way of laughing at the small quirks in life and inspiring others to laugh with him. Another ray of sunshine in Sam's life was his garden that was grown with love and pride. He cultivated seasonal vegetables, orchards, and enjoyed the harvests of his pumpkin patch for his grandchildren. He embraced a newfound love for cooking with organic ingredients and prepared deliciously unique pancakes for his family. Tapping into his creative mindset, he also dabbled in art, photography, and sculpturing. He applied his carpentry skills in building and remodeling houses, not only his own, but also the homes of his children. During more recent years, he embarked on stateside and world-wide travels and cruises with his wife, but he always felt most at home on his deck overseeing the Mohawk Valley. He also had a penchant for dancing, earning the nickname "Polka King"; his nimble and light movements were entertaining to watch. A dedicated and charitable man to his community, Sam was modest about his generosity and his ability to "silently" assist others. He was affiliated with numerous civic and volunteer organizations for many years. He was an active, charter member who helped establish the Frankfort Hill Volunteer Fire Company serving as President, Treasurer, and Deputy Chief during his 60 years of service. It was faith that guided Sam's life, a faith that he practiced at his home parish, St. George's Antiochian Orthodox Church where he was a lifelong faithful supporter and one of its eldest members. He was diligent in his duties to the church community and served as President and Treasurer of the Parish Council. One of his favorite tasks was preparing the Lenten Season fish fry. He participated in renovations and improvements to the South Street parish.

Sam is survived by his loving wife, Jean; his daughters and sons-in-law, Cynthia and Joseph Napolitan, Jr. of Grand Rapids, MI, Jenise Haddad of

Frankfort, NY, Alesia and Thomas Carroll, Jr. of Massena, NY, Mary Haddad of Chicago, IL, Laurin Haddad of Syracuse, NY, and Stephanie and Matthew Payne of Frankfort, NY; his grandchildren to whom he was lovingly known as Giddo: Samara, Joseph III, and Lenox Napolitan; Anthony, and Tayla Giacovelli; Nathan, and Jase Smith; Nikki, Baylee, and Sydnee Carroll; Izabella Mims-Haddad; and Salim, Coleson, and Jackson Payne. Also cherishing his memory are his siblings, sister, Freida Khammar of Camillus; and brother, Solomon and Diane Haddad of Frankfort; in-laws John and Rose Anne Caporuscio of Syracuse, and James Caporuscio of Huntington, NY; many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and cousins. He was predeceased by his brother-in-law, Edward Khammar; and his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Anthony and Laura Caporuscio.

The family is thankful for the attentiveness and care provided to Sam by the first responders, volunteers from Frankfort Hill Volunteer Fire Co., numerous medical personnel, nurses, staff, and aides, especially those at the Intensive Care Unit at Upstate Medical University in Syracuse; Community General Hospital; and The Pines at Utica, all of whom shared their expertise and care with gentle touches. A special thank you is extended to Rev. James Guirguis, for his prayers and spiritual support, and Fr. David Smith for his friendship and prayers.

Visitation will be held Thursday from 12:00-2:00 and 4:00-7:00 at St. George's Antiochian Orthodox Church, 350 Higby Rd., New Hartford. The family will remain until all visitors have been seen. Expressions of sympathy in the form of donations may be made to the St. George's Antiochian Orthodox Church or the Frankfort Hill Fire Company in lieu of floral offerings; envelopes will be available in the vestibule of the church. Sam's funeral service will commence on Friday morning at 11:00 at St. George's Antiochian Orthodox Church with Rev. James Guirguis officiating. Interment with Military Honors accorded by the Honor Guard will take place in Forest Hill Cemetery.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. 932

South St. corner of Hammond Ave.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Hill Cemetery

2201 Oneida Street  
Utica, NY 13501  
(315) 735-2701

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 13. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

St. George's Antiochian Orthodox Church  
350 Higby Road  
New Hartford, NY 13413

## Visitation

JUN 13. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

JUN 14. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

DH

“ *Doreen and the entire Haddad family, we are so sorry for your loss....God's blessings to you all!*

*Denise & Rick Hensel*

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**Denise Hensel** - June 14, 2013 at 12:59 PM

MP

“ *MARIA PALUMBO lit a candle in memory of Salim "Sam" Haddad*



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**MARIA PALUMBO** - June 13, 2013 at 03:49 PM


MP

*Stephanie and Family - We are very sorry to hear of your father's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Cherish all those wonderful memories from the photos that are posted.*

*Maria and Mark Palumbo*

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**Maria Palumbo** - June 13, 2013 at 03:52 PM

 Sam Napolitan

“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



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**Sam Napolitan** - June 12, 2013 at 09:33 PM

KR

“ *Very sorry for your loss. Sam was a very sweet man*

kristi - June 12, 2013 at 07:17 PM

GB

“ *Stephanie, Laurin, and family- I am so sorry for your loss. Your father was a great man and raised an awesome family. You are all in my prayers.*

Gina Buono - June 12, 2013 at 06:57 PM

 Laurin Haddad

“ *3 files added to the tribute wall*



Laurin Haddad - June 12, 2013 at 06:44 PM

MM

“ *Melody McCoy lit a candle in memory of Salim "Sam" Haddad*



Melody McCoy - June 12, 2013 at 06:44 PM

ME

“ *My condolences to Laurin and the entire family. May he be in peace.*  
~ Melissa Metcalf

Melissa - June 12, 2013 at 06:06 PM

JC

“ 1 file added to the album *Salim Haddad*



John Caporuscio - June 12, 2013 at 02:53 PM

RS

“ Please accept our sincere condolences , Rick Stillwell And Girls ,  
Our Hearts go out you and your family,

Rick Stillwell - June 12, 2013 at 12:36 PM

JB

“ Stephanie and family, you are in my thoughts  
and prayers.



Jennifer Bovi - June 12, 2013 at 12:14 PM

CI

“ 6 files added to the album *Cynthia's Album*



Cindy - June 12, 2013 at 10:38 AM

MA

“ 2 files added to the album *New Album Name*



mary - June 12, 2013 at 10:16 AM

LN

“ *Lea Le and John Nissen purchased the Red & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Salim "Sam" Haddad.*



Lea Le and John Nissen - June 12, 2013 at 09:42 AM

ST

“ 8 files added to the album *New Album Name*



Stephanie - June 12, 2013 at 09:41 AM

ST

“ 14 files added to the album *Salim Haddad*



Stephanie - June 12, 2013 at 09:25 AM

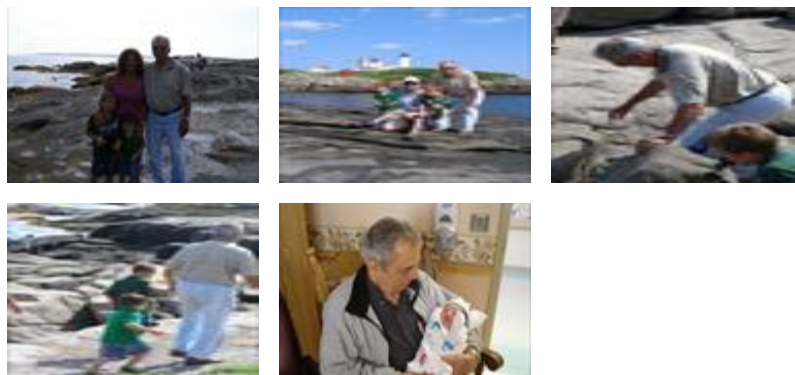
RD

“ I am so sorry to hear of Sam's passing. Jean, I hope you and the girls know that Sam touched us all with his kindness and caring. My last memory of Sam was at Jane's memorial luncheon. He told me how much his grandchildren meant to him and you. You and your family will be in my prayers.  
With much love and sympathy.

Roberta Dungey - June 12, 2013 at 09:18 AM

ST

“ 36 files added to the album *Salim Haddad*



Stephanie - June 12, 2013 at 07:30 AM

PB

“ *Paulette Borruso-DeSimone lit a candle in memory of Salim "Sam" Haddad*



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**Paulette Borruso-DeSimone** - June 12, 2013 at 07:28 AM

PB

*My thought and prayers are with you, may Mr. Haddad rest in peace.*

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**Paulette Borruso-DeSimone** - June 12, 2013 at 07:32 AM

JR

“ *Haddad Family, I am so sorry about your loss. My heart is with you and yours during this very difficult time. I will keep you all in my prayers. Sending you so much love. May God give you strength. He will always be with you.*

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**Janine and Krish Roberts-Khatri** - June 11, 2013 at 09:18 PM

JR

“ *Janine Roberts lit a candle in memory of Salim "Sam" Haddad*



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**Janine Roberts** - June 11, 2013 at 09:15 PM

KP

“ Karen Popielski lit a candle in memory of Salim "Sam" Haddad



Karen Popielski - June 11, 2013 at 06:38 PM

JJ

“ Justina Jones-Seelow lit a candle in memory of Salim "Sam" Haddad



Justina Jones-Seelow - June 11, 2013 at 04:52 PM

MH

“ Memory Eternal to Salim. I remember him so well - his friendly smile and warm demeanor. I know he will be missed. Marie Hyder

Marie Hyder - June 11, 2013 at 04:16 PM

AY

“ Amanda Young lit a candle in memory of Salim "Sam" Haddad



Amanda Young - June 11, 2013 at 03:49 PM

MS

“ *Melissa Shafer lit a candle in memory of Salim "Sam" Haddad*



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**Melissa Shafer** - June 11, 2013 at 03:32 PM

RC

“ *It is always difficult to truly express what a person has meant to you in your lifetime. We not only lost a dear brother - in - law but a generous, peaceful, dedicated man whose presence gave so much to those around him. Through the legacy of his six devoted daughters, Sam can never be forgotten. Until we meet again. . . .rest in peace.*

*Toe and Rose Ann*

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**Rose Ann Caporuscio** - June 11, 2013 at 02:25 PM