



## Mr. Salvatore "Steve" Fontaine

January 24, 1931 - June 30, 2012

Mr. Salvatore "Steve" Fontaine, age 81, of Utica, passed away on Saturday, June 30, 2012 in the comfort of his home with his family by his side.

Salvatore was born in Utica on January 24, 1931, the son of the late Salvatore and Providence (Coletti) Fontaine. Raised and educated locally, he was a graduate of T.R. Proctor High School Class of 1949. On August 7, 1965 at St. John the Baptist Church in Rome, NY, he married the former Delores "Dee" Sabia with whom he shared 46 years; they were a dedicated couple who guided one another through life.

Steve's employment was diverse and included positions with the General Electric Company/Kent St. location, Fontaine's Service Station where he particularly enjoyed the body repair aspect of his work, Roadway Express where he was hired as a dispatcher, Chicago Pneumatic where he was employed as a machinist, and lastly the Utica Transit Authority where he held a job as a driver, retiring in 1996. Steve was an incredibly humble and dependable man, and he was conscientious and heartfelt in all his relationships. In his quiet, steadfast way, he watched over those he loved and endeared himself not only to his beloved family, but also to many whose lives he touched. The joy in his heart was enhanced whenever he was gathered with his cherished family. Steve was a car enthusiast and took pleasure in his position behind the wheel. In more recent years, he especially enjoyed the amenities of a Lincoln, comfortably traveling with his wife and friends on many road trips. He was also a steadfast NY Yankees fan. Steve was a lifetime

member of the Knights of Columbus, and an active and proud member of the Sons of Italy Lodge where he and his wife had so many wonderful memories of social activities and enduring friendships. As an avid golfer and past member of the Valley View Golf Club, he frequented the fairways for many years. He was blessed with harmonious vocals, and was at one time a member of the Barbershop Harmony Society, historically named the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America (SPEBSQSA), an organization dedicated to promoting and preserving barbershop music as an art form. He was a parishioner of St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish.

Steve is survived by his wife, Delores; his sons, David Fontaine of Utica, and Brian Fontaine of Manlius; and his adored granddaughters, Gabriela, and Anna. He also leaves his sister, Mary Leo; his brother and sister-in-law, Gerald and Marion Fontaine, all of Utica. Steve was also blessed with other relatives residing in Hibbing, St. Cloud, St. Paul, and Minneapolis, Minnesota, Virginia, New York, Ohio, Massachusetts, Florida, and Vermont. His extended family includes many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and in-laws. He was blessed with the very loyal friendship of Thomas and Beatrice Rabbia, and Anthony and Carol Carzo who have shown such love and support. He was predeceased by an infant sister, Santina Fontaine; brothers and sisters-in-law, Charles and Lucy Fontaine, Albert and Shirley Fontaine, and Mario and Monica Fontaine; his special nephew, Gary Fontaine; and his brother-in-law, Liberty Leo.

A genuine and sincere thank you is extended for the care and kindness offered over the years by Dr. Steven Kussin, Dr. Norman Neslin, Pat Onate/Physician Assistant, Dr. Chris Max, Dr. Stephen Lauterbach, Peter Dellerba/NP, Dr. Fred Talarico and Pat Rosati/NP, Dr. Naeem Samad, Dr. Kathleen Ozavath and the Vascular Group at Albany Medical Center, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, the Charles T. Sitrin Rehabilitation Unit, Pam Fahy and the Celiac Support Group, the Visiting Nurse Association, and the staff of Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc.

Visitation will be held on Monday (today) from 4:30-7:30 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Salvatore's funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence on Tuesday morning at 11:00 from the funeral home and at 12:00 noon at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish where his Mass of Christian Burial will be offered by Rev. Felix Colosimo. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUL 2.** 4:30 PM - 7:30 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>

## Service

**JUL 3.** 12:00 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ Eannace Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Salvatore "Steve" Fontaine



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**Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.** - June 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Gabe Pacciarelli lit a candle in memory of Mr. Salvatore "Steve" Fontaine



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**Gabe Pacciarelli** - July 20, 2012 at 12:11 PM



“ Dave, yeRRidsterday I hears of the passing of your Dad. I know from our conversations what a great man he was, and how much you loved him.  
So very sorry for your loss,  
Risa Vullo

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**Risa Vullo** - July 20, 2012 at 07:13 AM

CC

“ Candace R. Cieloszczyk sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Salvatore "Steve" Fontaine



Candace R. Cieloszczyk - July 11, 2012 at 09:16 PM

SR

*I see your son all of the time Steve, oh how we all miss you*

Shaun Robison - July 12, 2017 at 03:43 PM

CC

“ Candace R. Cieloszczyk lit a candle in memory of Mr. Salvatore "Steve" Fontaine



Candace R. Cieloszczyk - July 11, 2012 at 09:06 PM

CC

*Dear Mrs. Fontaine and Family: I am so very sorry of your loss. My Friend and I use to rent from you and Steve many years ago the apartment on Miller Street...in Utica. I was so VERY saddened to hear of your loss. Mr. Fontaine was a wonderful person, with a great smile. I remember I would always sweep and clean any little weeds from around the bottom of the house, and he would smile, and say you don't have to do that...but thank you. You are all in my heart and Prayers God Bless!!*

Candace R. Cieloszczyk - July 11, 2012 at 09:13 PM

CC

“ 1 file added to the album *Uncle Steve*



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**Cindy Cocomazze** - July 06, 2012 at 11:42 PM

RS

“ *Dear Delores, David, Brian & Family,*  
*I was very sorry to hear about the passing of your beloved husband, father, brother, grandfather and uncle Steve. My heartfelt sympathy goes out to you and your family in your time of loss and sorrow. I have added you and your family to my daily prayer list. And, when I attend service on Sunday, I will add you and your family to our parish book of prayers. May our Good Lord watch over, bless, protect and comfort you and your family as you endure this difficult, trying and sad time in your lives. God Bless.*  
*Rob Sherman*

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**Robert Sherman** - July 03, 2012 at 04:25 PM

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“ Mrs. Fontaine, David and Brian,

*This photo of your Dad's smiling face brings back great memories of the Blessed Sacrament and Notre Dame years. He was a gentle soul and a true gentleman. Our parents have always thought the world of yours. You are a wonderful family and you are in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Love,*

*Kristen, Joe and Michael Lindacher*

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**Kristen Lindacher (Woodcock)** - July 03, 2012 at 07:41 AM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**carla Kloster** - July 02, 2012 at 08:34 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album Uncle Steve



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**Carla Kloster** - July 02, 2012 at 08:18 PM

JW

“ Mrs. Fontaine, Dave and Brian, I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you all. May knowing he is at peace and without pain ease your suffering.  
Jean Wolf

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**Jean Wolf** - July 02, 2012 at 11:04 AM

TB

“ Dave & family, I am so sorry for your loss! My thoughts and prayers are with you all!

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**Tammy Butera** - July 02, 2012 at 10:19 AM

DR

“ Dave and family, I am so sorry about the loss of your Dad. I know how close you were to your Dad and took such good care of him. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Diane Robertello @ PCCA

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**Diane Robertello** - July 02, 2012 at 09:03 AM

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“ 1 file added to the album Uncle Steve from Lyn



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**Lyn Fontaine Oyer** - July 02, 2012 at 08:26 AM

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“ 5 files added to the album Uncle Steve from Lyn



Lyn Fontaine Oyer - July 02, 2012 at 05:32 AM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Cindy Cocomazze - July 01, 2012 at 12:38 PM

CK

“ 5 files added to the album Uncle Steve



Carla Fontaine Kloster - July 01, 2012 at 11:32 AM

TP

*David and family so sorry for your loss great person and someone you will never forget. As parents of you boys we used to have great times together and it was a pleasure to be in the company of your mom and dad. He will always be remembered in our thoughts and prayers. God Bless*

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**Thomas L. Petronio** - July 02, 2012 at 07:39 AM