



Mr. Salvatore A. Vanno

June 11, 1924 - March 2, 2011

Mr. Salvatore A. Vanno, age 86, of Utica, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, March 2, 2011 at the Masonic Care Community of NY with his loving family by his side.

Born in Utica on June 11, 1924, Salvatore was the son of the late Daniel and Pacifica (Rasile) Vanno. Raised and educated in Utica, he was a 1942 graduate of T.R. Proctor High School. He furthered his studies at the New York Institute of Applied Arts and Sciences, and Utica College where he majored in Business Administration. A veteran of World War II, he served his country in the United States Air Corps stationed in the European Theater of Operations. He was proud to have toured with the United Service Organizations (U.S.O.) playing as trumpeter alongside renowned performers. On April 3, 1948 he married the former Rose A. Candella with whom he shared nearly 63 years as a loving couple who supported each other in their journey through life. They also were partners in their parenting and family life and excellent role models for their children and grandchildren.

Sal's cognitive ability, communication skills, and self-confidence were his crowning attributes in his sales career. He held positions as sales representative and district manager for numerous electrical companies including General Electric and Westinghouse Electric later known as the North American Phillips Corporation, retiring in 1990. He loved his work and was respected for his knowledge and presence, and he was never forgotten by those with whom he dealt. Sal also served his community as an active local

political figure for the Republican Party. He retired as Chairman of the Utica Republican Committee and Vice Chairman of the Oneida County Republican Committee after 10 years of service. He was a member of the Oriental-Faxton Lodge #224, Thirty Second Degree Scottish Rite Valley of Utica, and the Ziyara Temple (Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine) A.A.O.N.M.S. His retirement avocations included his service as a former Chairman of the Municipal Housing Authority, member of the City of Utica Water Board, President of the International Association of Machinists (IAM), member of the Department of State for the State of New York, and the NY State Building Code Variance Review Board appointed by the Governor of New York. His military affiliations included his membership in the American Legion Post #229. He was the Vice President of the American Federation of Musicians (AFM) Local #51. Sal was an accomplished trumpeter, a talent that spanned his entire life. Although he had a grand life, the most precious relationships were those he held with his beloved family and extended family. Friendships were of the greatest importance to him and he was a gentleman who found pleasure in assisting others in so many ways. He was a very faithful parishioner of St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church.

Sal is survived by his wife, Rose; his daughters and sons-in-law, Patricia A. and Loren D. Kumm of Williamsville, NY, and Rosemary V. and Michael A. Norelli of Loudonville, NY; and his grandchildren, Michael A. and Maria Norelli, and Daniel V. Norelli. In addition, he leaves many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, in-laws, Rose Vanno, Michael and Florence Candella, Jessie Cicchelli, and Grace Candella. Sal was blessed with many special friends, including Paul Frye, Theresa Sportelli, Pat Ianno, John Popeo, Roc and Fran Clemente, Frank Convertino, Pat Capraro, and the late Joe Bouse. He was predeceased by his sisters and brothers-in-law, Theresa and Alexander Ciccarelli, Ida and Albert DeVito; his brothers and sisters-in-law, Louis P. and Pauline Vanno, Mario and Rose Vanno, Thomas and Josephine Vanno, Ralph and Rose Vanno, and Philip Vanno; and his brother-in-law, Fred Candella.

The family is grateful to Dr. Kevin McCormick and his dedicated staff; the personnel and doctors at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center; and the Masonic Care Community of NY for the compassion and professional care rendered to Sal.

Salvatore's family will honor and celebrate his life in a private gathering. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Salvatore's funeral service and Celebration of Life which will commence on Saturday evening at 5:30 at St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church where his Mass of Christian Burial will be offered by Rev. Anthony P. LaFache with Military Honors. The family will receive visitors at the conclusion of Mass. Expressions of sympathy in the form of donations may be made to the Shriner's Hospital in lieu of floral offerings; envelopes will be available at the service. Entombment 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

Tribute Wall



“ Aunt Rose and Family,
Please know that our thoughts and prayers
are with you and your family as your tears of
loss and laughter of memories becomes
intertwined in the next few days. Uncle Sal
was a very special person and we loved him very much. He will
forever remain in our hearts.
Tommy, Michele, Alyssa and Brittany



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