



Salvatore J. "Sam" Monopoli, Sr.

May 7, 1926 - December 4, 2009

Mr. Salvatore J. "Sam" Monopoli Sr., age 83, a longtime Utican, passed away on Friday, December 4, 2009, in New Hartford, NY.

Born in Utica, NY, on May 7th, 1926, Salvatore was the son of the late Salvatore and Carmella Maria (Anguilli) Monopoli. He was raised and educated locally, graduating from Thomas R. Proctor High School in 1944.

Mr. Monopoli began his professional career with Gordon Davis Motors Sales as an automobile mechanic. He followed this path, continuing with Cater Lincoln Mercury and finally with Dahl motors, which transitioned to Don's Ford. He retired as a Manager of the Parts Department, having devoted 33 years to the automotive industry. A natural teacher, he taught automotive evening class to adults at Proctor High School for several years in the mid 1970's.

Salvatore was a Veteran of the Korean War, serving with the U.S. Army as Private 1st Class, assigned as an Administrative Aid in Fort Eustis, VA, from 1954-1956.

Mr. Monopoli was a man with a special interest in providing first-rate customer service. He came from a strong connection with people, he derived energy and satisfaction in taking time to develop a conversation with everyone with whom he came into contact. He was particularly known for a quick joke and

smile. Salvatore was not particularly interested in sports, but he was an avid, “tinkerer”, blessed with a high degree of patience, taking time to repair anything from a radio to a fan.

Mr. Monopoli is survived by his wife, Nancy; his son, Salvatore Jr., and many nieces, nephews and cousins. He was predeceased by two sisters, Margaret Mancuso and Mary Citriniti; and three brothers, Angelo, Joseph and William.

The family extends its gratitude to the practitioners and ancillary staff at St. Luke’s Hospital for their sensitivity and expertise in caring for Mr. Monopoli in his final month.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday (today) from 4-6 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. By family request, please omit floral offerings. For those wishing to do so, please consider memorial contributions to the American Cancer Society or the Stevens-Swan Humane Society; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. A final blessing will be offered at 6:00 at the funeral home immediately upon the conclusion of visitation. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Tribute Wall



“ Nancy I am so sorry to hear of SAM's passing. My sincere condolences go out to you and Sam, Jr.

I live in Florida now.##imported-begin##Rose Hutchins french##imported-end##

December 09, 2009 at 01:00 PM



“ Dear Sal and Family,
I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I remember your father at the Utica College Family Weekend dances. He was a wonderful man who made everyone around him laugh. God Bless.##imported-begin##Lorraine Mulligan Cittadino##imported-end##

December 08, 2009 at 11:26 PM



“ Uncle Sam, always a smile on your face and a joke to tell. You will be greatly missed by all of us..##imported-begin##Mike & Jean Wilson##imported-end##

December 08, 2009 at 10:34 PM



“ Nancy & Family,
Was so sorry to hear about Sam. He was such a delightful man,
always with a smile. He will be greatly missed by his family and all
the friends he has made through the years. My deepest sympathy,
God picked a real rose when he picked Sam to come and live with
him.
Love,
Charlotte##imported-begin##Charlotte Phillips##imported-end##

December 08, 2009 at 08:56 AM



“ Nancy and Family, I am very sorry for your loss. Sam will be sadly
missed by all that came to know him. He always brightened my day
the many years we worked together. He was a great teacher in the
auto parts business, and I learned a lot from him. Although he has
been gone as a fellow employee for several years. He has always
stopped in to see me at Don's Ford, and I will never forget him. God
bless.##imported-begin##Jim Mann##imported-end##

December 07, 2009 at 10:03 PM



“ To my Uncle Sam- you will be greatly missed. I loved your jokes,
and will always have the memories. Sal - your dad was an
awesome man - I hope you know how much he was loved, by me
and many others.##imported-begin##Melanie##imported-end##

December 07, 2009 at 04:38 PM



“ Mr. Monopoli, as I always referred to him when I'd see him in Chanatry's or Parkway Drugs or various other places in East Utica, always stopped to chat and ask "how are you doing" or "what are you doing these days?" A good and decent man whose redeeming qualities no doubt passed on to his son Sal, whom I first met at the fun Friday Night Basketball League held at Albany Street School during the winters of my youth in the early 1970s. These are the kind of people we need in a world of too many strangers. And that simpler time filled with fond memories and great folks is one I still vividly recollect. May God comfort Sal and his mom as they move on in life without their great "Sam."###imported-begin##Girard A. Plante, Newton, MA###imported-end##

December 07, 2009 at 02:38 PM



“ Nancy and family, So sorry for your loss, our prayers are with you. Jim & Stella###imported-begin##STella Sheaffer###imported-end##

December 06, 2009 at 03:16 PM



“ Dear Sal and family,
I'm sorry for your loss. Mr. M. was a great guy.
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December 06, 2009 at 03:09 PM