



Mr. Victor Manuel Rios

September 15, 1954 - November 28, 2014

Mr. Victor Manuel Rios, age 60, passed away on Friday, November 28, 2014 at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Born in Rome, New York on September 15, 1954, Victor was the son of Isabelle Nava Rios and the late Fausto Rios. Raised and educated locally, Victor attended Utica Free Academy but left after his junior year to join the United States Army. As a proud veteran, he honorably served his country for 4 years, stationed in Japan. On June 28, 1986 he married the former Bonnie Finley with whom he shared ten years in a union that gifted them with a family. Bonnie passed away on December 2, 1996 in North Carolina. For over twelve years, Victor has shared in a blessed union with his life companion, Patricia Hoag.

A professional baker and cook by trade, Victor was employed locally at the Star Bakery's Utica location, and prior to that, he worked for various restaurants in the North Carolina area. A peace-maker by nature, Victor was a man who lived in harmony and was on good terms with everyone. He used his unique humor as a way of keeping everyone together, and laughter was the medicine he provided. He understood the value of friendship and the love of family. Belonging to a large family, he was surrounded with lots of love and a tight-knit closeness with all. When springtime rolled around, Victor's love for fishing awakened and he would seek out any friend or family member to accompany him on each of his fishing trips. He shared a special bond and many happy times with his brother, Fausto, and when Fausto drove in drag

aces, Victor served as his best fan and his pit crew!

Victor is survived by his life companion, Patricia "Pat" Hoag; his mother, Isabelle Nava Rios; his daughters, Mia Ramos, and Marie Finley, both of Utica; his sons, Timothy Rios of Newport, and Victor Rios, Jr.; his many grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren. He will also be missed by his sisters and brothers-in-law, Emelia "Mia" and Jose "Guelo" Santiago, and Christina "Tina" and Israel Santiago, all of Utica; his brothers and sisters-in-law, Fausto and Susan Rioscolon, and Bernardo Rios, all of Utica, Luis and Kathy Rios of Florida, and Felix Rios, and Angel Miguel Rios and Mary Ann Fredrick, all of Utica; his many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and many in-laws from the Finley, Hoag, and Rios families.

The family will honor and commemorate Victor's life in a Memorial Gathering which will be held at the St. Luke's Home on 1650 Champlin Ave, Utica, N.Y. (directly across from St. Luke's Hospital ER entrance) on Saturday, December 6, 2014 from 3 pm until. The family will receive visitors at that time.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.

Tribute Wall

VI

“ Victor lit a candle in memory of Mr. Victor Manuel Rios



Victor - June 21, 2020 at 05:00 PM

LU

“ Luis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Victor Manuel Rios



luis - December 09, 2014 at 11:25 PM

VR

“ Vanessa Rios lit a candle in memory of Mr. Victor Manuel Rios



vanessa rios - December 07, 2014 at 08:49 AM

PA

“ Pat lit a candle in memory of Mr. Victor Manuel Rios



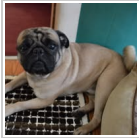
pat - December 04, 2014 at 07:07 PM

EM

“ *Emilia Mia lit a candle in memory of Mr. Victor Manuel Rios*



emilia mia - December 04, 2014 at 01:21 PM



“ *Fausto Rioscolon lit a candle in memory of Mr. Victor Manuel Rios*



Fausto Rioscolon - December 03, 2014 at 04:58 PM

SC

“ *Victor was a part of our lives for many years...remembering the times that Bonnie and Victor would come over early Saturday morning so we could go to yard sales, the many evenings playing cards, the camping trips we had....but most of all I remember the love he had for everyone, and he would do whatever he could do to help anyone. He became a very good friend to my kids, actually to anyone who knew him. I love you Victor...may you now rest in peace, my friend.*



Sandy Clark - December 03, 2014 at 06:07 AM

LC

“ *My sincere condolences to the Rios family.*

Lydia Carretero - December 02, 2014 at 10:16 PM



“ You will be missed.. Love you uncle Victor!



Christina Rios - December 02, 2014 at 08:54 PM



“ You will be missed.. Love you uncle Victor!



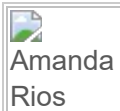
Christina Rios - December 02, 2014 at 08:54 PM



“ I will never forget the little piece of wisdom that you shared with Luis and I on our wedding day as you stood beside us as our best man!!!! You always made me laugh Victor. I will miss you forever .



Kathy Rios - December 02, 2014 at 08:23 PM



“ Amanda Rios lit a candle in memory of Mr. Victor Manuel Rios



Amanda Rios - December 02, 2014 at 05:31 PM



Amanda Rios

“ Love you uncle victor!! I will miss you so very much :”(

Amanda Rios - December 02, 2014 at 05:30 PM



“ 3 files added to the album Victor



Susan Rioscolon - December 02, 2014 at 03:05 PM

LR

“ I had many memories of my Uncle Victor. He knew how to make you laugh and could tell you stories that would have you bent over in laughter. I remember the time when Aunt Bonnie passed and we were heading to the wake in West Virginia. My Aunt Mia's van was stolen and my Uncle Victor was shocked that his goodwill suit was in the car. He stated "he just bought that suit. Now what" During the tough times he was a pillar of strength for so many. He is going to be greatly missed by his family and friends. Love you Uncle Victor.

Luis Rios - December 01, 2014 at 02:14 PM