



Vincent J. "Shakey" DeNigro

January 30, 1941 - December 24, 2010

Mr. Vincent J. "Shakey" DeNigro, age 69, of Utica, passed away on Christmas Eve, Friday, December 24, 2010 at the Faxon-St. Luke's Healthcare Center with his loving sisters by his side.

Born in Utica on January 30, 1941, Vincent was the son of the late Vincent and Sophie (Wojdyla) DeNigro. Raised and educated locally, he was a 1959 graduate of T.R. Proctor High School. He served in the New York National Guard.

Vincent was dedicated to his career as a United States Postal Service letter carrier for over 30 years. He was a well-versed, well-read conversationalist, a politically knowledgeable citizen, and a sports enthusiast. His strength of character was evidenced when health issues prevailed for many years. He was amazingly strong of body and mind. He enjoyed playing the card game pitch with "special friends" and attending family gatherings, especially around the holidays. He was a wonderful brother who was a figurehead in the lives of his sisters. When he was younger, he was a trumpet player in the Drum & Bugle Corps and an avid follower of the Drums Along the Mohawk competitions. He was a lifelong parishioner of St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church.

Vincent held close to his heart the bond of family with his sisters and brothers-

in-law who survive him, Barbara and Michael J. Cristalli of Utica, and Pattie and Lou Barnaba of Myrtle Beach, SC; his nieces and nephews, Michael and Kristyn Cristalli, Bridgette and Bill Brittelli and Louie and Linda Barnaba; great-nieces and great-nephews, Michael and Christopher Cristalli and Bianca and Billy Brittelli. He is also survived by his uncle and aunt, Albert "Rock" and Betty DeNigro. Shakey was also blessed with many wonderful friends, especially acknowledging Jerry, Joey, and Larry.

The family expresses sincere appreciation to Dr. Ira Tisch, Dr. Charles Eldredge, and the Dialysis Centers at the Faxton-St. Luke's Healthcare Center for their concern and care; and the many bonds that were made with the staff; thanks also to Rev. Anthony LaFache and Deacon Bill Dischiavo for their visits and spiritual comfort.

Shakey's family will gather privately to celebrate and honor his life. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend his funeral service and Celebration of Life which will commence on Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 at St. Anthony & St. Agnes Church where his Mass of Christian Burial will be offered by Rev. Anthony LaFache. The family will receive visitors at the conclusion of the service. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery 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 Cemetery

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

Tribute Wall

KL

“ *Barbara and Pattie,
I am so sorry to hear about the death of Vincent. He was a great
guy and will be missed by many. I will call you when I come back
home from Florida to talk with you. Love, Kathy*

Kathy Lewek - December 31, 2010 at 06:40 AM

KL

“ *Kathy Lewek lit a candle in memory of Vincent
J. "Shakey" DeNigro*



Kathy Lewek - December 31, 2010 at 06:34 AM

CS

“ *Dear Barbara and family,
I am sorry to hear of Vinny's death. I know you were very close and
send you my heartfelt thoughts and condolences.*

Cynthia S'Doia - December 28, 2010 at 08:43 AM



“ *Peter Mino lit a candle in memory of Vincent
J. "Shakey" DeNigro*



Peter Mino - December 26, 2010 at 12:46 PM

LC

“ Goodby my friend. We had many good times and laughs especially Sunday afternoons at your house to watch football. Sophie would always make sure there was enough food on the table no matter how many of us showed up. The last few years were tough for you but you hung in there and fought the good fight. I will always remember the great talks and laughs we had over coffee at Whitey's. and how we would stall to see who would get up first to pay, the only days I had a chance were the days you had to go for treatments. Well my friend until we meet again I will think of you often and fondly. Your friend forever, Larry

Larry Calenzo - December 25, 2010 at 09:05 PM