



## Mr. Vincent Esposito

May 5, 1965 - January 3, 2019

SANTA BARBARA/UTICA - Mr. Vincent Esposito, age 53, went to a place of ultimate peace when he passed away on Thursday, January 3, 2019 at his home in Santa Barbara, California.

Born in Utica on May 5, 1965, Vincent was the son of the late Vincent A. and Carmelita A. (Torchia) Esposito. He was a graduate of T.R. Proctor High School/Class of 1983, and continued his education at Utica College graduating in May of 1987 as a Business Finance major. He pursued his post-graduate studies at the Syracuse University School of Law where he was awarded his Juris Doctor degree in 1990 and successfully passed the New York State Bar as well as the California Bar, accomplishments of which he was very proud. At one time, he was married to the former Adrienne Frontera; they shared their love for 38 years. To the very last moment they were best friends and soul mates. This respect for one another truly aided in their success as being wonderful parents to their two outstanding sons. After the passing of his father in 1991, Vincent postponed his law career and took the torch passed by his father in the operation of JETNET LLC. Vincent served as President of the corporation from that point onward. Headquartered in its state-of-the-art facility in Utica, JETNET has been the leading provider of aviation market information since its inception in 1988. Vincent brought a steady hand and a great vision to JETNET, steering the firm to phenomenal growth, both domestically and internationally. He supported and encouraged his management team to constantly innovate and think ahead. Vincent

embraced the needs of his family and his business, and in 1996, he and Adrienne, and their infant son Anton, realized their dream to move across the country to Santa Barbara. Their relocation to California was a blessing in his life, second only to his family. He established the West Coast office with the desire to expand the company and live in a community conducive to raising children in a multicultural, progressive, cutting-edge environment that the West Coast had to offer.

In his professional and personal realms, Vincent was a paragon of integrity and fair-mindedness. He was a man whose visions took flight from his compassionate heart and generous soul. As a brother, he was extraordinarily protective, and their fraternal love was wrapped in an unbreakable bond. As a devoted husband, he supported his wife in pursuing her life's dreams and will be remembered for his abiding love. As a father, he was "over the top" and had the fiercest love for his sons. He set an example and challenged them to be the finest men they could be, and they exceeded his expectations. He was born to be a father, and his kids are infinitely grateful that he was their dad. Because his JETNET co-workers were extremely important to him, Vincent veritably had two families. His wisdom and innate ability to assess others' needs and diminish their distress was inherited from his dad, and he walked in his footsteps. He was a leader and a trailblazer, and people put their trust in him; he was beloved by many. Vincent had many passions: spending time with his sons, traveling, and reading, among others. He would spring spontaneous and memorable trips on his family to show his charismatic ways — that was his thing. He was always proud of his Italian heritage, and as time passed, he became even more expressive of being an Italian Catholic. Christmas was magical, and the family gathering at the table was a sacred time.

He found solace in self-healing and focus in meditation during his journey to become the best Vincent he could. He explored many outlets in a quest to move out of his comfort zone with a cool, calm, and comfortable mindset. He was open in every relationship and was proud to be a member and activist of

the LGBTQ community. He accepted his inner inclinations and was admired for his openness and honesty. He was very spiritual, respected all religions and houses of faith, and believed in the higher power above.

Vincent is survived by his beloved and cherished sons, Anton Cole Esposito, Evan Spencer Esposito, and their mom Adrienne; and his baby brother and partner in life, Tony Esposito and Nicole Rossi. He also leaves his uncles and aunts, Salvatore and Pat Torchia, and Anthony and Darlene Torchia; many cousins, especially Ray and Rosemary (Paladino) Pelli with whom he shared his life in California, Joseph Torchia, Michelle Torchia, Christine (Torchia) and Frank Zogby; Carla Cromwell, Erica Torchia; Luciann and Bob Gould, and Tim Esposito; in-laws, Fred and Lucia Frontera, Trisha Arsenault and Leo Arsenault; and his many wonderful friends, co-workers, and longtime friends, Julie Corr, Louie LaPorte, Damien DePaolis. He was predeceased by his aunts and uncles, Thomas and Jean Esposito, and Antoinette and Sam Maneen.

The family is extremely grateful to one of Vincent's mentors, Sam Hester, a role model and a source of unwavering sound advice who had a profound impact on Vincent's life.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Vincent's funeral service and Celebration of Life which will commence on Saturday afternoon, February 16th at 1:00 at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament Parish where his Memorial Mass of Christian Burial will be offered by Rev. Joseph Salerno. Those wishing to express an act of kindness in Vincent's memory may make a contribution to the Human Rights Campaign online at <https://give.hrc.org/page/31622/donate/1> .

Envelopes will be available at the service. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

<https://youtu.be/Pbn6a0AFfnM>

## Both Sides Now

by Joni Mitchell

Rows and floes of angel hair  
And ice cream castles in the air  
And feather canyons everywhere  
I've looked at clouds that way  
But now they only block the sun  
They rain and snow on everyone  
So many things I would have done  
But clouds got in my way  
I've looked at clouds from both sides now  
From up and down, and still somehow  
It's cloud illusions I recall  
I really don't know clouds at all  
Moons and Junes and Ferris wheels  
The dizzy dancing way you feel  
As every fairy tale comes real  
I've looked at love that way  
But now it's just another show  
You leave 'em laughing when you go  
And if you care, don't let them know  
Don't give yourself away  
I've looked at love from both sides now  
From give and take, and still somehow  
It's love's illusions I recall  
I really don't know love at all  
Tears and fears and feeling proud  
To say "I love you" right out loud  
Dreams and schemes and circus crowds  
I've looked at life that way  
But now old friends are acting strange

They shake their heads, they say I've changed  
Well something's lost, but something's gained  
In living every day  
I've looked at life from both sides now  
From win and lose and still somehow  
It's life's illusions I recall  
I really don't know life at all  
I've looked at life from both sides now  
From up and down and still somehow  
It's life's illusions I recall  
I really don't know life at all

# Cemetery Details

## **Calvary Cemetery**

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

# Tribute Wall

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“ Julie, please call or text me, I just got to know that Vincent passed away in January! Somebody was texting me as Vincent for the whole half a year, it's crazy, All that time I thought I was talking to Vincent and we supposed to meet ea other on his bday or later, I have no words, please call me or text me. The guy told me that he got Vincen's number through the company

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**Ursula** - July 04, 2019 at 05:14 PM

MC

“ Life is about the creation and collection of memories.....

*Vincent had an ambivert personality as a good listener and communicator, able to provide balance, a thought leader, and empathy came naturally. He was gregarious, kind hearted, determined, intellectually agile and a very decent person.*

*Vincent allowed me to travel the world for JETNET for two decades bringing new opportunities and challenges to the JETNET team.*

*A great loss!*

*Mike Chase  
Principal and Founder  
Chase & Associates  
and  
Director, Special Projects  
JETNET LLC*

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**mike chase** - February 12, 2019 at 12:56 PM

CB

“ *My condolences to all. I was one of the first employees of JETNET back in 1988 and was fortunate to see it grow into what it is today due to the hard work of Vincent and his family. Words cannot express how sorry I am for your loss, may Vincent rest in peace with his loved ones and his memory stay strong through the love of his close family. God bless.*  
*Christine Blair*

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**Christine Blair** - February 12, 2019 at 10:15 AM

EW

“ *Just learned of Vinny's passing. So very sorry for all. Love & prayers go out to you. Bob & Liz Wendler*

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**elizabeth wendler** - February 10, 2019 at 11:44 AM

RA

“ *Anton, Evan, Adrienne & Tony our thoughts & prayers are with you at this time. May your memories ease your pain. Rosemary & Andy Anguish*

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**Rosemary Anguish** - February 06, 2019 at 09:54 PM



“ *Coming out anew - naked before G-d we all will stand on that last day of days. None will have less to answer for then because of the fine works of faith he gave in his life. Peace Brother in service, Michael B.*

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**Michael Barriere** - February 06, 2019 at 12:03 AM

CO

“ Thank you for always being there for me, Vincent. I will always miss you. You were an amazing boss and friend. My deepest condolences to Tony, Adrienne, Anton, Evan and the whole family. So much hugs, love and prayers sent to you all. -Courtney DesMarais

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**Courtney** - February 05, 2019 at 03:37 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



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**EFH** - February 05, 2019 at 02:38 PM

DD

“ Deepest condolences to Tony and the boys and the rest of the family. Vincent was a wonderful man and I enjoyed working with him at jetnet Vincent was a very kind and wonderful man it's always fair and understanding. My thoughts and prayers go out to all of the family and friends that are missing Vincent at this time. Denise M Deliberto

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**Denise Deliberto** - February 02, 2019 at 11:51 AM

MT

“ Tony, Anton and Evan my thoughts and prays and continual support will be with you from this day forward. My relationship with Vincent meant the world to me and I will cherish forever many beautiful memories of him and with him. He always saw the best in me and understood me better then anyone.

His love, devotion and admiration of my entire family will never be forgotten.

Knowing you finally found your peace is what will get me through this very difficult time . Till we meet again we will always have San Francisco!! And rest assured I will continue to do for your boys what you once told me you expect me to do . Gone but never forgotten



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**michelle torchia** - January 31, 2019 at 07:34 PM