



Mr. Franco Gianni

March 2, 1936 - July 18, 2024

Franco Gianni, age 88. Beloved husband of Rosa Crudele; Loving father of Paul (Nancy) and the late Giovanna Rago-Gianni; Cherished Nonno of Luciana, Rino (Lisa), Romina, Franco, Isabella and Giuliana; Great Nonno of Domenico; Dear brother of the late Antonio, the late Pasqual (Rosa), the late Michelina (the late Ernesto) DiPace and the late Domenico (Maria); Fond uncle of many.

Franco Gianni married Rosa Crudele in 1965. Through their 58 years of marriage, they had 2 beautiful children, 6 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild. Franco was born in Palermo Italy. He was 10 years old when he came to America. His family settled in Chicago where he stayed for 38 years and then headed south to Florida for 38 years, leaving behind wonderful friends, family and cherished memories. He enlisted in the Army and served out of Fort Benning, Georgia. This is where he learned and honed his skills in woodworking and cabinet making.

Franco and his brothers epitomized the American dream. He emigrated from Sicily in 1946 with his mother through Ellis Island and settled in Chicago. Over the next 40 years, he and his brothers successfully turned a little corner furniture shop, making dinette sets for fellow neighbors, into a nationwide manufacturer of high-end office furniture for corporate America. His old-world passion and dedication

were unwavering. His love and commitment to tradition and Italian culture was not only seen in his business affairs, but integral in his everyday life with family and friends. Frank touched every person he met. A simple hello turned into a history lesson of tradition and Italian influence. If a stranger would ask for the time, he would explain to them how the clock was made by an Italian. Anything and everything good (food, fashion, culture and industry) were all due to Italian influence and ingenuity. To Frank, all roads truly led to and from Rome. His motto: Italy made everything and is responsible for all of life's treasures. His sense of humor was contagious, especially his many colloquialisms like "Fa-ck-aldo" (it's too hot) to "a hum believable" to "fuority too" [42] (get out). His silliness will be missed. So, to all I say, "Hey you, common, pick up a card!" Let's play and remember a legend. Love you a pound and a half!

Visitation: Sunday July 21, 2024, from 4:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. at Morizzo Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 2550 Hassell Road, (Northeast corner at Barrington Road), Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60169. Chapel service will be at 7:00 P.M. For further information please contact Morizzo Funeral Directors at 847-752-6444

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 21. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Morizzo Funeral Home
2550 Hassell Road
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

Funeral Service

JUL 21. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

MS

“ Mary & Nino Scasso are so sorry to hear of Frank's passing. He was a very fun and happy person to be in his presence. He always had stories to tell and we enjoyed playing cards with him in Florida. He was a great friend to my dad, Cosmo and my mom Zina. We will miss him so much. We thank him for teaching us so many card games. Rest in peace and keep on playing with my dad in heaven. Spread the word to everyone of how Sicily was the greatest place to live. Love from Mary & Nino.

MARY SCASSO - July 26, 2024 at 12:21 PM

TF

“ The Karr family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mr. Franco Gianni.



The Karr family - July 20, 2024 at 07:41 PM

TF

“ The Boundy Family purchased the Serene Retre at for the family of Mr. Franco Gianni.



The Boundy Family - July 20, 2024 at 06:22 PM

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“ The Boundy Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Franco Gianni.

The Boundy Family - July 20, 2024 at 06:22 PM

LW

“ Love & Sympathy, The Whittens purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mr. Franco Gianni.



Love & Sympathy, The Whittens - July 20, 2024 at 05:57 PM

LM

“ Love: Margaret, Gerry, Lexi and Mark! purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mr. Franco Gianni.



Love: Margaret, Gerry, Lexi and Mark! - July 20, 2024 at 03:09 PM

VF

“ Vincenzo and Bonne & Crudele Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mr. Franco Gianni.



Vincenzo and Bonne & Crudele Family - July 20, 2024 at 02:57 PM

VF

“ Vincenzo and Bonne & Crudele Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Franco Gianni.

Vincenzo and Bonne & Crudele Family - July 20, 2024 at 02:57 PM

TF

“ Trzaska Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Franco Gianni.

Trzaska Family - July 20, 2024 at 02:45 PM

TF

“ Trzaska Family purchased the Magnificent Life S
pray for the family of Mr. Franco Gianni.



Trzaska Family - July 20, 2024 at 02:45 PM

LF

“ Love, The Allocco Family purchased the Fiery Lil
y and Rose for the family of Mr. Franco Gianni.



Love, The Allocco Family - July 20, 2024 at 10:09 AM

NM

“ I am so sorry for your loss and will be praying for your family. May
God cover you in His comfort during this time. - Nicolette

Nicolette Moinet - July 19, 2024 at 03:20 PM