



## Carl Fortunato

April 26, 1941 - January 4, 2023

Carl Fortunato, 81 of Manalapan, New Jersey passed away on Wednesday, January 4, 2023, at Centra State Medical Center in Freehold.

Born Saturday, April 26, 1941 in New York City, New York, Carl was the son of the late Salvatore and Rose Fortunato.

Carl was raised in the Pelham Bay section of the Bronx, and would go on to graduate from Christopher Columbus High School. He would serve the country honorably in the National Guard and received an Honorable Discharge. He would then begin a long career in Motion Pictures, working in editing in many major film productions.

Through his father, Carl would meet the love of his life, Rose Aquilino. The couple would marry and start a family of their own, raising their children on Staten Island. They would eventually settle in Manalapan to be closer to their family.

Carl enjoyed hunting and target shooting, and would enjoy the occasional trip to Atlantic City. He loved being with his family on vacations to Long Beach Island and going to the beach. He was a loving and caring man who will be missed by all that love him.

Carl is survived by his beloved wife of 56 years, Rose, by his loving children, Regina Motola and her husband Richard, Carl Fortunato and his wife Debra, by his cherished grandchildren, Sophia, James, Julian, and Sienna, and by his caring sisters, Rose Freiman and her husband Robert, and Diane Heffler and her husband Richard.

The family will receive friends from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM on Friday, January 6, 2023, at Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home For Funerals and Cremation Service, 3377 US Highway 9, Old Bridge, New Jersey.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:15 AM on Saturday at St. Mary's Parish located at 1 Phalanx Rd Colts Neck, New Jersey 07722. Interment will take place at Old Tennent Cemetery, Manalapan, NJ.

Online condolences may be made to the family at [www.HegartyScaliaFuneralHome.com](http://www.HegartyScaliaFuneralHome.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 6. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service  
3377 US Highway 9  
Old Bridge, NJ 08857  
(732) 679-4422  
hegartyfh@scaliahome.com  
<https://www.hegartyscaliafuneralhome.com>

## Visitation

JAN 6. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service  
3377 US Highway 9  
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## Service

JAN 7. 11:15 AM (ET)

St. Mary's Parish  
1 Phalanx Rd  
Colts Neck, NJ 07722

## Service

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JAN 7. 12:45 PM (ET)

Old Tennent Cemetery  
454 Tennant Road  
Tennent, NJ 07763

# Tribute Wall



“ *Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Carl Fortunato*



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**Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service** - January 06, 2023 at 01:29 PM



“ *Carl Fortunato*

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October 05, 2023 at 11:16 AM



“ *I feel so privileged to have met and shared time with you Carl, at Kessler. I enjoyed how you bragged about the homes you built and the beautiful life you have with your family especially your wife, Rose. Christmas was to be spent with Children at their new Home this year that was decorated like a wonderland. Your eyes lit up so proud. Lastly, you pointed out your new red car in the parking lot. Carl, my visits won't be the same without you. Carl, please rest in eternal peace. Sweet Dreams, Sweet Man. Rose 🌹 Please accept my heartfelt sympathy. My Condolences to you and your family 🙏😭 Love from, LisaRose Marino-DeQuarto (from Kessler)*

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**LisaRose Marino-DeQuarto** - January 06, 2023 at 01:06 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Carl Fortunato.*

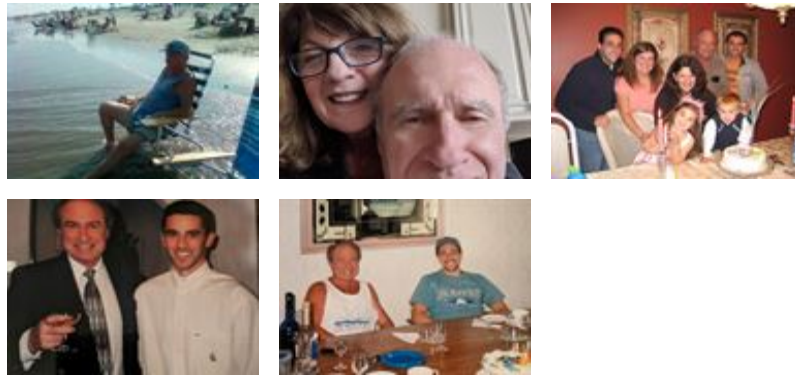


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January 06, 2023 at 12:55 PM



“ *69 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service** - January 06, 2023 at 11:48 AM



“ *Carl rest in peace.... may your memory be a blessing to all who loved you.*

*Arlene and Peter Ortiz  
(Chuck's sister)*

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**Arlene ORTIZ** - January 06, 2023 at 11:46 AM



“ *Divine Light was purchased for the family of Carl Fortunato.*



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January 06, 2023 at 11:11 AM



“ *Dear Carl, when your father introduced us, it was an instant attraction. Little did you know you were entering my chaotic world. The first time you came to my house you were surrounded by my 3 brothers and 2 sisters. A short time later you had the "privilege" of picking my mother up from the hospital to bring home my 4th brother. You survived the next 3+ years and on March 19, 1966, we were married in St. Patrck's Old Cathedral on Mott Street in Little Italy, New York City. Fast forward we were blessed with two amazing, incredible children. Later on, we were proud to welcome an irreplaceable son-in-law and daughter-in-law. To complete the picture, we have 4 grandchildren that you adored and so do I. I wish you could have had more time with us and maybe been part of a wedding or two, but I am sure you will be looking down from Heaven and smiling with pride and love. Rest in peace, your loving wife Rose.*

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**Rose Fortunato** - January 06, 2023 at 08:13 AM



*What a beautiful tribute to Carl 🙏❤️😊*

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**Denise Gargano** - January 06, 2023 at 09:31 AM

DG

*My heart goes out to all of you at this time and may the many wonderful memories that you have of your dear Dad/Husband bring you comfort and peace.*

*My thoughts and prayers are with you all* 🧡🙏😊

**Denise Gargano** - January 06, 2023 at 09:32 AM

CM

“ *May you rest at piece Uncle Carl.  
Love Christine Mannerz*



**Christine Mannerz** - January 06, 2023 at 08:05 AM

RF

“ *My memory's of my brother,are lifetime,shared childhood memories with him,with a heavy heart,may he RIP,I love you my dear brother,your sister Rose*

**rose freimann** - January 06, 2023 at 07:51 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Carl Fortunato.*



January 06, 2023 at 07:13 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carl Fortunato.*



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January 05, 2023 at 11:23 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Carl Fortunato.*



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January 05, 2023 at 12:51 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carl Fortunato.*



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January 05, 2023 at 10:46 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Carl Fortunato.*



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January 05, 2023 at 10:05 AM

RD

“ *My Dad could be such a pain the butt lol. He loved us fiercely. He called me every single day and bragged about his grandkids every chance he got. Memories are overflowing .....*

♥ Regina

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**Regina - Baby Dee** - January 05, 2023 at 09:44 AM

LR

“ *Love Rose, Bob, Diane & Rich purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Carl Fortunato.*



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**Love Rose, Bob, Diane & Rich** - January 04, 2023 at 04:59 PM