



William Joseph Fuzzi

September 3, 1927 - April 4, 2019

A Good and Honorable Man: A Life Well-Lived

Statements in Honor of William Joseph Fuzzi:

From his daughter, Patricia:

I am deeply saddened by a great loss that mere words can not convey. My father, on April 4, 2019, after a courageous fight and remarkable recovery that stunned everyone slipped quietly away. He simply, peacefully closed his eyes and left as if not to disturb any of us.

'Persevere' was his motto in life and he lived it to the very end. I can only try to live up to his legacy.

My father was devoted to his family. He was a loyal son, a devoted brother, a dedicated husband, an exemplary father and a stellar grandfather.

My dad was extremely proud to be an American. He was the first in his family born in the United States. He did well in school as a child and teen. He always helped his family...his parents and brothers. He was the third of four brothers. He helped to raise his younger brother, referring to him as his 'first baby.' I find solace in knowing that he is now reunited with all those that he loved that passed before him.

My dad went from high school to the United States Army. He served honorably in the United States Army in World War II. He was in the Military Police and his specialty was helping the 'displaced persons'....primarily families and children....helping to free them from the horrible camps of World War II and helping them to find their loved ones and make their way home. I am moved and proud to think that my dad's face and strong, yet gentle demeanor was the first act of kindness those survivors encountered.

Upon his re-entry into the United States, my dad didn't skip a beat. He went straight to college. Studying at the University of Illinois at Champagne-Urbana. He had a stellar college experience with his studies. He played college football. He was devoted to the 'Fighting Illini.' He remained an active alumni member. He took great pride in his Alma Mater.

He had an incredible career as a professional civil engineer. He did design work and project management for important national and international projects. He designed bridges, highways, roadways, airports and subways, among other structures. He was a strong engineering influence in the United States and abroad. His work is imprinted all over the United States and reaches out as far as the Middle East. He was also a professor in his field and mentor to many. He set the bar of his profession very high and guided those he taught well. I know because he was my first and best teacher in life.

Bill proudly attended

Thomas Edison Elementary School in Union City, New Jersey.

Bill graduated successfully from Emerson High School in Union City New Jersey.

Bill graduated with high honors from The University of Illinois at Champagne-

Urbana and was a proud “Fighting Illini!!”

My father made charitable contributions as an active alumni to his Alma Mater his entire life!!

He also made charitable contributions to the Veterans of Foreign War and St. Jude’s Children’s Hospital (among others).

Bill’s primary professional affiliations were with:

*DeLeuw and Cather *UrbiTran

*Blauvelt Engineering

Bill taught at:

*Penn State University *New York Institute of Technology

*Brooklyn PolyTech

He was an exemplar as a son, brother, husband, father, grandfather, friend, soldier, student, teacher, professional and human being. Prayers for him are well-deserved prayers.

My dad and all of us have truly appreciated the positive energy and the prayers sent to him in his final chapter. God will bless each and every person for having sent love and good wishes to a good, honest, respectable and always kind man.

We moved to Old Bridge from Forest Hills, NY. We settled into Foxborough Village....in fact, we were among the first families to move in!! We got to watch

the community grow and thrive. My entire family has volunteered with all community activities (following in my mom's lead) in Foxborough Village for 33 years!! Many generations of kids will remember my dad...always making sure each and every child was served equally. Each child got their hot dog, cup cake or goody bag!! And, more importantly, that each child was laughing and smiling!

My dad was a very strong man in his life and his strength will only increase now. He will be with us always and forever. He will protect us and guide us, as he did in life. We will feel his presence always. He will live on in our memories and our hearts.

My family and I have been blessed to have such a good man as a husband, father and grandfather. To his last breath on this earth, his thoughts and concerns were for all of us and not himself. He even passed quietly and proudly. God was kind to my dad for a life well-lived.

It suddenly dawned upon me that I was the last person in the family to see him alive. I heard his last words. 'It's ok. It's all good.' These words shall remain in my heart. He gave me a great gift in this way.

Italians do not say 'good-bye'....we say 'arrivederci'...until we see each other, again....so, dad, this is not good-bye, it is arrivederci!! We will see each other again!!

Dad, you are forever my 'popsy-doodle.' You have always been not only a great dad to me (and a strong father figure to my friends), but you were also my guide, my mentor and my best friend. I love you so much and you live in my heart forever. I have asked you to come to greet me when it will be my time. I know that you will because there is no one truer to their word than you, my dear dad. There is only one way that I can survive losing you here on

earth and that is if I follow your lead....I shall persevere, my dear daddy....in your honor, I shall persevere.

On April 4, 2019, my daughter, Francesca, wrote a touching tribute to her grandpa, whom she cherished:

Today my grandpa, William Joseph Fuzzi, has passed away. Anyone who knows me knows he was my father and my best friend. There is nobody on this planet who I have loved and adored and looked up to like this beautiful man. He did everything for me and if I am anything at all to this day, it is because of him and no one else. I thanked him today for all the walks collecting leaves in the fall and singing to me in the kitchen when we sat together every day of my childhood.. and getting me to and from school everyday...and showing me how to draw and be an engineer. And always calling to me, 'booboo, look!' when he saw a rabbit or a bird.

I asked him to come to me and visit and give me signs he's here. And, please, please, to come get me when it's my turn. But, to always stay with me because I need him every day. I love you, grandpa. I know heaven needed you. You are far too kind and too good for this world. It never deserved you, but we were so so lucky to have you here. There is no one you didn't reach. I love you grandpa so, so much... thank you for every little thing and every big thing... ❤️ rest in peace my beautiful grandpa.

On April 5, 2019, Francesca wrote:

Thank you everyone for your kindness... grandpa loved everyone so much. He was the most kind and simple man. All he ever wanted to do was sit at his seat at the kitchen table and read the paper and have a snack or some coffee. And I would sit across from him and color and draw or play or just talk to him. And when I got a little bit older, by the time I was maybe 8, I would love to

make him something to eat myself and he was always so proud of me, a little girl chopping onions or vegetables and making him an omelette or even a big pot of chili.

Even though I was always by his side, I learned how to be independent because of him. He is why I love to clean, why I love to grocery shop, why I love to make things, and why I love to cook something and watch someone eat it. I learned how to do everything perfectly because I was never afraid to fail. He would show me how to do anything or make anything, spell anything, write anything. I owe everything to him. I would give anything to sit at that table one more time and look out the window for birds or to take a walk and pick up leaves with him or to go to Foodtown or Shoprite and push my little shopping cart next to his or have a can of Hawaiian Punch at the table.

There isn't enough time in the world to say all the amazing things he did for me or all the little memories that I will never forget. Every day with him was the best day ever.

From my son, Alessandro, as told to me with such love and fond remembrance:

For Alessandro, his grandpa will always be the fun and playful grandpa who always took care of him. He's not the man whose knees gave out due to arthritis. He's not the man who needed a boost of oxygen in his last days. For Alessandro, his grandpa lives on in his happy memories.....in his favorite memory of all....everyday, they watched Sponge Bob. Grandpa always danced around and sang along to the Sponge Bob theme song and at the end of the song, he played his nose like a flute just like Sponge Bob and it made Alessandro laugh everyday. We all know that's why Grandpa did it....to make Alessandro happy and laugh everyday. We all bet you, Grandpa is playing his

flute nose right now (toot-too-toot-too-toot) to make us all happy and laugh!

Message from my mother, Anna, to my father and her husband, Bill (Billuccio):

I will never forget when we met at a birthday party in New York City and it was love at first sight.

We have been married for 55 years!! You have been a wonderful husband, a great father to our daughter, Patricia, whom you loved so much. You were an amazing grandfather to our grandchildren: Stefano (Tepo), Francesca (Checca) and Alessandro (Bean). They meant the world to you and you took such incredible care of them and gave them so much love and attention. Even, now, as you faced so many physical challenges, you were concerned about them!! You spoke out: 'Stefano, are you ok? Did you eat?'; 'Francesca, Booboo, when are you coming home?'; 'Alessandro, how was your day at school?'

You were the best son to your parents (Ciro and Amelia), the best brother to Maximilian (March, Maxie), Napoleon (Nappy, Paul) and George (Georgie). You loved your niece, Madeleine (only child of your oldest brother, March). You always wish she lived closer to our family. You loved your nephew, Paul, your niece, Doreen (Paul's children), and your grand-niece, Christina (only child of Paul Jr.), as well.

You loved to sing and dance. You were quick on your feet!! All you did was fast-paced and precise. You even walked fast!! You were an outstanding professional civil engineer and an exceptional professor. You achieved so much in your life because that's who you were: an 'achiever!!'

I love you and will love you forever!! I am lost without you!!

Your wife,

Anna

A special heartfelt thanks goes out to Dr. Edward Von Der Schmidt III, an exceptional neurosurgeon and outstanding person. My dad had a head injury many, many years ago. Dr. Von Der Schmidt saved my father's life and in so doing gave my dad and our family the gift of life!! My dad was able to enjoy nearly 20 more years of life. He was able to enjoy his grandchildren watching his grandchildren grow into young adults!! We all greatly benefited from so many more years with Grandpa Bill!!

Thank you to Michael

Maiello for the extraordinary nursing care that he gave to Grandpa Billuccio at the hospital! Mikey spoke to him about hot dogs and Halloween parties instead of medicine and IV's....and that was the best medicine of all! My dad watched Mikey grow up and it was a privilege and honor to have him care for Grandpa Bill! God bless you, Mikey!

I want to take a moment to thank the amazing team at the Kindred LTAC. Cheryl, I could breathe when I knew you were there watching over my dad. Preston, you sang and danced with us and brought joy with your stellar Sinatra renditions. Lance and Mitch, you brought laughter to us all with your compassionate sense of humor. Chris, Maria, Kristen, Ashley ...just to name a few...all great nurses...I'm sorry I can't name each and everyone of you...you all provided exceptional care for my dad and had so much patience with all of us!! Al you were true to your word. Margaret you were our guide!! Kindred...you will always have our gratitude!

We will remain eternally grateful to the amazing staff at the Highlands Care One!! You set the bar to a whole new standard of care!! Your facility should be the protocol for other rehabilitation centers to follow!!

Bob, you run an incredible facility and under your guidance, your staff excels and goes above and beyond the call of duty!! Alexandra, your empathy and professionalism allow you to lead a wonderful team of nurses!! Juanita, you took such impeccable care of my father and always with respect and dignity. You always kept us informed and involved!! Rachel, Jennifer, Suzy, Dion...I always felt relieved when my dad was under your care. You always answered my questions and welcomed my participation. Lucia, Cassandra, and all the aides....kudos to you all for the hard work that you do with such care and grace!

Margaret...always ready to answer my questions and you usually answered before I even asked!! You just knew!! Olinda, you made all my requests happen!! Ann in the dining room....you had smiles for us all everyday!! Stephanie....what can I say??? You made magic for us. You were the first person that we met there and every word you said to us came true!! You are the heart and soul of the Highlands! You made us feel like we were home! You even let me dance with the residents and included mom in events!! I know I haven't named everyone, but you were all unforgettable!!

The way the entire staff lead dad out with his favorite song (Frank Sinatra's 'Strangers in the Night') with colors, candles and positive energy is remarkable!! You can not imagine the comfort and support we felt! Many of you cried with us and embraced us!! These moments are forever etched in our minds and hearts.

God bless all those who helped my father and all of us.

Mom and I thank you from the bottom of our hearts and on behalf of my dad, Bill.

My dad lived 91 years, 7 months and 1 day!! He was literally the last man standing from his peer group!! He outlived his brothers, friends and colleagues. I know they are all reunited now. I also know that my dad is now our guardian angel taking care of us all, as he always did!!

I love you and always will, Daddy!! Oh, Dad...when it's my time and you come to greet me, don't forget our secret doorbell code (toot-too-toot-toot-too-too)!! Arrivederci....till we see each other again!!

A tribute to my dad, William Joseph Fuzzi, my real-life superhero:

Dad....

I keep thinking of so many special and wonderful things that you did for me and all of us...big things....small things....even the small things were big things....and you know what, dad??? It would take the rest of my days and then some to even try to capture all that you did for all of us. To try to depict the essence of who you were with mere words is simply not possible!!! The great thing....the beautiful thing is that you knew who you were....so did we....you were William Joseph Fuzzi, WJF, Willy, Bill, Billuccio, Dad, Daddy, "Popsy-Doodle," Faaaather, Grandpa, Grandpa Bill....you were YOU!!! You were, are and always will be my superhero. You are the one and only person that I could 100% rely on....we all could!!! You were so honest, so dependable....you never did much for yourself....until your very last day....even in the hard days....your only thoughts were for all of us....you weren't asking about yourself....your thoughts were on us....most especially, you just wanted to make sure the kids were ok....your STEFANO (Tepo), your FRANCESCA (Checca, Booboo) and your ALESSANDRO (Bean)....they were all your "babies" and ever since each one was born, they were your main focus....your joy in life...it was all about them!! You were the greatest ally and friend that any of us will ever have and we were and are blessed!

You adored your wife and there has never been a truer husband!!

You gave me a life of dedication, love, affection and attention. We did all the holiday decorations together.... our "Pumpy, Bumpy, Lumpy, Jumpy" family of Halloween pumpkins, Christmas decorations galore, personalized Easter eggs, flags for patriotic holidays (and, actually, you always had a flag because you were patriotic everyday)... I will continue the traditions that you started and so will the kids.

We drew and painted together, studied together, read the same books and discussed them (Sherlock Holmes and Agatha Christie books were our favorites and, of course, Hercule Poirot was our favorite detective), watched TV and movies together! You took me and my friends everywhere!! You hung out with me at Rutgers. You drove me and the kids everywhere!!!

You were a man of your word. You always spoke the truth. You were fearless in that way!! And you lived and loved with your actions and not just your words. You did everything for everyone everyday of your life!

You loved Al Jolson's lyrics.... "I'd walk a million miles for one of your smiles." That song referred to the singer's "mammy"....Dad, you walked way more than a million miles for our smiles" every single day!!

Dad, even your last words to me were a gift and an expression of your selfless love....I asked you how you were...you said, "It's all ok....it's all good...it's all ok....it's all fine." I know that you are fine....you have already sent me so many signs....please, keep them coming....I need you by my side always....and I'll see you when it's my time....I'll keep hearing you sing Sinatra songs in my heart till you sing them to me again....I

love you always and forever.... oh, and you win....you always called me "Patreeeesha" and I used to say it's "Patrihsha" and you said that you named me, so it's "Patreeeesha"....I concede (haha)....it's "Patreeeesha" and, oh, what

I would give to hear you say it, again...but, I will....when it's my time....arrivederci....till I see you again, my dear Daddy.....

We want to extend our sincerest thanks to our family and friends for their compassion and support at this time of great loss. We thank you for honoring my father by paying your respects and speaking of him so highly. My dad lived a good and honest life. He deserves the honor and praise.

My father lived a full and blessed life. He had outlived his peer group. His parents, brothers, friends and colleagues had all passed before him. It is of comfort to know that he is now reunited with all those that he lost that he had loved so much.

As such, it has been heart-warming to see all the honor and tributes....the happy recollections.....from the younger generations. He was a remarkable father figure to my age group. Back in the day, many of my peers, thanked my dad....I heard many say, "hey, thanks Mr.Fuzzi....if not for you, we really wouldn't go anywhere or do anything." This reflects that he was a man ahead of his times. He was an engaged and actively participating dad way before it became "in vogue" to do so!! My dad stood apart...he followed his heart....he did it "his way!"

It also brought joy to see my children's friends pay homage to Grandpa Bill. He was a familiar presence for all of them. To many, he was the only grandpa in their lives. Grandpa's house was open to all and always full of everyone's favorite snacks and beverages. And everyone knew that at Grandpa Bill's house, they could get anything they wanted from the kitchen because they felt "at home." Yet, they usually didn't have to go to the kitchen cabinets because Grandpa Bill, who was always one step ahead, had the placemats perfectly set out on the kitchen table with napkins perfectly folded and snacks and

drinks laid out for the kids!! My dad loved kids....loved their pure honesty and their absolute delight at the simple things....that's how he was himself at every age. He managed to live his motto....to "persevere" and he did so by keeping himself "young at heart!"

It is also amazing to see, in this fast-paced world in which we live, that so many people....the bank tellers, the supermarket cashiers, the kids' teachers, the restaurant wait staff....all touched by him....all felt a loss. Right up to his last chapter, he always lifted his fedora hat and said, "how do you do?" And then, he waited to hear their reply!

It has been amazing to see that even those who cared for him recently came to honor and respect him. The real Bill still managed to come out and many of his care givers called him "pappa."

My father touched the lives of everyone he met. He lives on in our hearts and memories.

He will continue to keep his caring and watchful eye upon us.

I thought of something funny....my dad expressed his love and care for others in his gestures and actions. His words were often short and to the point. I just saw him in my mind's eye....I believe that he would tip his hat, as he always did, and say, "so long...see you around!"

With new things that I learned at his services my dad is far, far greater of a hero and exemplar than I already knew him to be...I also found many awards and achievements of his among his things that he never even mentioned....a true unsung hero and that's the way he wanted it....he was humble and that's what a true hero is all about....a true hero sacrifices to do what is right - not for the recognition, but simply because it is the right thing to do!! My dad is a true hero!! God bless his soul.

A special thank you to Reynald, my dad's physical therapist from Kindred. You motivated my dad and worked with him so closely! You were the first to get him back into sitting in a chair after his long hospital stay! You said he was very strong and you were certain he would be able to do more at the rehab facility and you worked with dad so closely that, in fact, he did do more! He even got to stand up again!! He played catch, he lifted weights and had fun in the gym!! Everyone was amazed by his strength! Thank you....you inspired him and you gave us hope, as well.

My family and I would like to thank the Hegarty and Scalia Funeral Home and the entire staff for guiding us graciously through this most difficult period of time when we are suffering a great loss. Jeremiah and his team went above and beyond the call of duty.

My father was treated with great honor, dignity and respect. We were extended every courtesy and given much compassion and care. We were able to get through this heart-breaking process thanks to their professionalism and humanity. Thank you.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 AM on Thursday at St. Thomas the Apostle located at 1 St Thomas Plaza Old Bridge, New Jersey 08857. Interment will be in Holy Cross Burial Park Cemetery, East Brunswick, NJ.

The family will receive friends from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM on Wednesday, April 10, 2019, at Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home For Funerals and Cremation Service, 3377 US Highway 9, Old Bridge, New Jersey.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.HegartyScaliaFuneralHome.com

Once the headstone is ready at the cemetery, there will be a military ceremony playing taps in William's honor and the date will be announced for those who would like to be in attendance.

Cemetery Details

Holy Cross Burial Park Cemetery

840 Cranbury South River Rd
East Brunswick, NJ 08816

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 10. 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.hegarty-scaliafuneralhome.com>

Visitation

APR 10. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service
3377 US Highway 9
Old Bridge, NJ 08857
(732) 679-4422
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Funeral Mass

APR 11. 10:30 AM (ET)

St Thomas Church
1 St Thomas Plaza
Old Bridge, NJ 08857

Interment

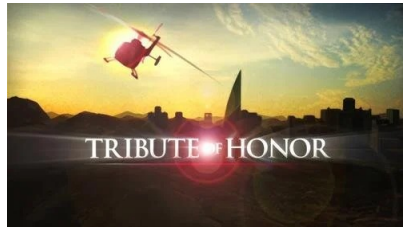
APR 11. 11:45 AM (ET)

Holy Cross Burial Park
840 Cranbury South River Rd
East Brunswick, NJ 08816

Tribute Wall



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



Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service - April 10, 2019 at 01:07 PM

GD

A lovely tribute to a man's man! They just don't make them like this today. Prayers and blessings to the family.

guy daniel - July 23, 2021 at 12:17 PM



“ *William Joseph Fuzzi*

October 05, 2023 at 11:16 AM

HH

“ On Saturday, July 13, 2019 at 1 pm at Holy Cross Burial Park (East Brunswick, NJ), we had a Military Honors service for my dad followed by lunch and a wine toast for my dad (Italian red wine was his last request and I wished to honor his request) at 2 pm.

We thank those who attended and joined in honoring my father!

I'm glad that we honored my father in this way. He certainly deserved it! We were all quite moved. Each of us in our own way. My oldest child made small gestures that were enormous towards Grandpa Bill, all of us and, in particular, me....a hand on my shoulder.....drying my tears....these gestures entered into my heart. Michelle was respectful and affectionate. My youngest child was amazed. The soldier's words surprised and moved him in a profound way. My mother and daughter were also deeply moved. Dear family friends in attendance were of great comfort and support.

The funeral home director also attended the service. We were very grateful. He lead us in prayer. I said a few words, as well. The director asked which of us wanted to speak. My oldest told me, "you do it ... that's what is right."

My father would certainly have saluted the young soldiers in attendance for their sacrifice as they saluted my father for his honorable and courageous service in times of war.

He was a man who served God, his homeland, his family and society. He was the first American in his family. He was a man who sacrificed himself for others. He lived his life in this way. He never asked for anything, but, in the end, he simply asked for a glass of Italian red wine (he was also proud of his Italian heritage).

The soldiers raised the flag of the United States of America over my father's grave, folded the flag ceremoniously, presented the flag to my mother with words of praise and gratitude and played "Taps" for him before respectfully and graciously departing.

Before leaving for the gravesite, I gave each person a peach ring candy that my father liked and always offered to everyone... then, I placed two little candies symbolically in the ground for him.

We then all met at the restaurant for lunch and to raise a glass of Italian red wine in a toast to honor my father. My father was a man of few words, but of great action. He lived his love for us with his actions and his gestures.....actions "speak" louder than words.

At the restaurant, I placed a photo of my father (which my mother held during the ceremony) at the head of the table. No one sits in his place. At home, I put a white orchid in his place at the head of the kitchen table (his favorite spot in the house).

I'm so glad that we honored him in a respectful manner, as he deserved.

The flag (from the ceremony) is now ours. It hangs proudly in the room that was his during his final chapter. It remains folded in a frame with a plaque that reads: William Joseph Fuzzi - US Army - WW II.

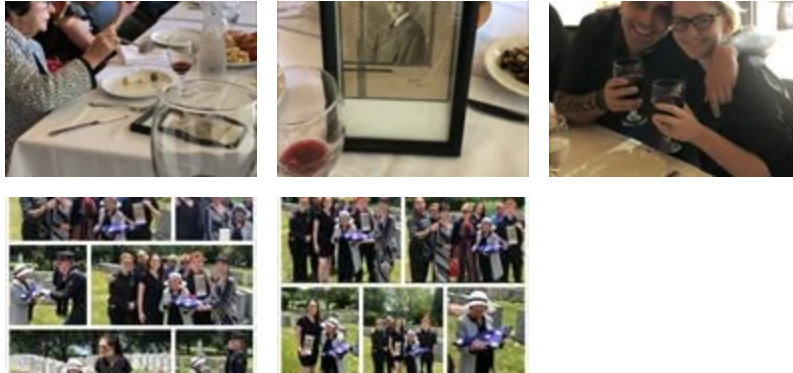
Thank you, again, to everyone for attending.

We all love you forever, Dad!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - August 01, 2019 at 04:18 PM

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“ 7 files added to the tribute wall



Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - July 14, 2019 at 01:45 PM

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“ From Maryl with love:

I just heard the news about your dad. I'm so sorry for your loss. Your dad always made me feel so special! He called me "a good egg" and I felt honored because you were all his "good eggs" and he included me and my husband as family. God bless his soul

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - June 27, 2019 at 03:32 PM

HH

“ With respect from Dr. D.:

I always honor your dad's military service, his dedication to his family and his zest and spirit for life. Stay strong as he would want!

May he Rest In Peace.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - June 27, 2019 at 03:32 PM

HH

“ From Marie P.

My prayers go out to your Dad. I'm sure he is at peace knowing what a lovely life, wife, daughter, grandchildren and family he had. He led a full life and each of you were his pride and joy in life.

There is a bible quote, “my cup runneth over.” His certainly did because he rejoiced in his love of family. I hope that knowledge is of comfort. His love will always be with you.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - June 20, 2019 at 11:36 AM

HH

“ From a dear and wise friend of many years:

Your Dad was always good to everyone. He will always be remembered for his kindness.

Kindness takes great self-discipline and strong self-esteem. Kindness is a sign of a person who has done a great deal of personal work and has come to profound self- understanding and wisdom. Kindness is a sign of STRENGTH!

These are life lessons that your Dad knew and lived everyday. He taught them to you and your children well. It is also the reason why people who knew him share their wonderful stories with you. It is all these little things that matter the most.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 10, 2019 at 09:37 AM

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“ Special thanks to Dad’s Facebook friends for all their positive energy and their many prayers during his final chapter. We all appreciate the kind thoughts you all had for my Dad, Bill.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 10, 2019 at 09:37 AM

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“Our sincerest thanks to my dad’s best friend, “Il Siciliano” (the Sicilian). They became friends in the latter years of Dad’s life and no one inspired and motivated my Dad as much as his friend did!!

“Il Siciliano” got Dad to pedal that extra mile on his stationary bike and lift that extra set of weights. He got Dad to stand up when no one else could and even got the professional engineer in Bill to come out and do math problems!!

They went off on adventures to get coffee and donuts (Dad’s favorites were Boston Cream and French Cruller) or chocolate chip cookies and chocolate ice-cream!! They went to the book store and even one of the last video stores left! Dad loved to read, do crossword puzzles and watch movies from yesteryear!! These two best buddies shared all that and more!!

They went to the park together as Dad loved birds and nature!! Thanks to his buddy, Dad even had Facebook friends that followed him and always prayed and wished him well! Everywhere they went, they spoke to people and made beautiful heart-warming videos!

Even on Dad’s last day, when he heard his friend’s voice, he sat up for him ready for one of their adventures!!

Thank you for giving my Dad such joy and making him laugh and have fun!! You helped to keep him young at heart and I know he’s watching out for you from where he is!!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 10, 2019 at 09:37 AM

HH

“ We give our thanks to Dr. Dory Altmann for his years of service.

Thank you for agreeing with us months ago that if anyone could pull through the December crisis, it was my dad! And, in fact, he did...he persevered (his motto) and we were all able to enjoy the last months of his life together!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 09, 2019 at 08:53 AM

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“ From an inspirational friend, Maria S.:

Our loved ones are always near us because their love is infinite. Their bodies leave us, their spirits remain. Your dad will (as he always did) give you the strength to look ahead and go forward.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 09, 2019 at 08:53 AM

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“ From Dr. Dory Altmann:

I was sorry to hear that Mr. Fuzzi passed away. He was a kind and gentle man and I was always happy to see him in the office.

He benefited tremendously from your love, support and constant presence. My deepest condolences go out to your entire family.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 09, 2019 at 08:53 AM

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“ From someone who has also lost someone dear to her heart:

Your dad was and is still your shining light in your life. His spirit is letting you know that he is at peace. He is still with you. They send us messages. God Bless.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 09, 2019 at 08:53 AM

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“ From dear MB:

Stay strong and always remember that, as he did in life, he is still watching over you, now.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 09, 2019 at 08:53 AM

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“ From the beautiful Marie A.:

Dad is with you now. He always did everything to make your life beautiful. He will continue to show you even now.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 09, 2019 at 08:53 AM

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“ From Rev. C., who always enlightens:

God bless the memory of your Dear Father. He will always be by your side.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 09, 2019 at 08:53 AM

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“ From a friend who lives in paradise on earth....an island in southern Italy, Sandro: I'm so sorry....truly sorry and I understand you because I lost my parents. My father, as your father, served in World War II. My father spent 2 years in Russia and was wounded in one arm and managed to return home with all the discomforts after the war. He managed to build a family. I understand your loss and I am sorry. No one dies on earth if they live inside us. He is not suffering...he went on to a good place. Remember him and smile..... he wouldn't want to see you cry so much. He is fine....tranquil. As I have already said, no one dies on earth if they live within us. Stay calm Unfortunately, when loved ones leave us, we always feel great pain. The life of those who remain, must go on with a void in their hearts, yet we must always continue.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 06, 2019 at 02:36 PM

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“ Thank you to Ravi and the staff at Woodlane Pharmacy. My dad went to Woodlane since 1986! He never switched to a chain store. He loved that Woodlane was a local, neighborhood store and he knew everyone there! And they knew him!

He went there for our family's pharmacy needs, but he also went there for years and years with his grandchildren and always got them a snack, a trinket or a toy! Everyone knew Grandpa Bill at Woodlane. In more recent times, deliveries were made at home and everyone always asked how Bill was doing.

We thank you for your years of personalized service and for your condolences.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 06, 2019 at 02:31 PM

HH

“ Thank you to Dr. Jason Grossman and his staff for their outstanding services and their condolences.

Dr. Grossman took exceptional care of my dad and even made house calls for my dad.

We appreciate your dedication.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 06, 2019 at 02:30 PM

HH

“ A special thank you to Dr. George Karp and his staff.

Dr. Karp is an exceptional doctor and a wonderful, kind and caring man. He took outstanding care of my dad!! We will never forget the respect that Dr. Karp showed to my dad. Many times, Dr. Karp even took the time to come out to the car to greet my dad prior to his office visit.

When Dr. Karp heard of my dad's passing, he called me and my mother to offer his condolences. We were so moved by his kindness.

When my mom and I went to the office, after dad passed, so many staff members embraced us and shed tears at the news. They were all always so kind to my dad. They always gave him coffee and cookies when he came for his appointments. They all thought dad was such a "sweetie pie" and that he was!! I always thought it seemed fitting that they gave him coffee and cookies or some other treat! He spent his whole life making sure his house was full of "treats" that guests would like. He was very hospitable and he would quickly learn everyone's favorites and he always was ready to serve them.

Many thanks to Dr. Karp and his staff for going above and beyond the call of duty.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 06, 2019 at 02:30 PM

HH

“ From a long-time friend, Rosemarie:

My deepest condolences for your loss. I know how close you all were with him. He will always be with you. Always.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 06, 2019 at 02:28 PM

HH

“ From Jason:

I'm sorry for your loss. He lived a long and good life. He was a great man and made a lasting impression. He contributed to so many lives in a positive way.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 06, 2019 at 02:27 PM

HH

“ From dear and beautiful friends, Eileen and Frank:

*In loving memory...a memorial remembrance...
William, who has gone before us in faith, will share in the prayers, sacrifices and good works of the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement, including daily remembrance in the daily masses offered by the Franciscan priests at Greymoor and throughout the world.*

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 05, 2019 at 10:19 AM

HH

“ From cousin Paul and his lovely wife, Karin:

A prayer for divine comfort and consolation.

Uncle Bill will be remembered in daily mass, the rosary and other prayers for one full year at the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 05, 2019 at 10:19 AM

HH

“ From Ravi and the staff at Woodlane Pharmacy:

With sympathy...there is an unbroken thread that is woven from love and it keeps a family always together. Nothing is as real as the moments shared together. They live on in our memories forever.

As difficult as this time is, may you find comfort knowing that Bill will always be with you and the memories that you shared will forever be part of your lives.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 05, 2019 at 10:18 AM

HH

“ From a true friend, Janis:

*May warm memories bring you comfort and time bring you peace.
With deepest sympathy.*

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 05, 2019 at 10:18 AM

HH

“ From very dear friends, Donna, Shane and Michael:

With our deepest sympathy...please, know that you are in our thoughts at this difficult time and may you feel the caring and friendship of all those who share in your loss.

We send our deepest condolences as you mourn the loss of your dad and grandfather. He was truly a great man. His memories will be forever locked in your hearts and souls.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 05, 2019 at 10:18 AM

HH

“ From a dear friend, Barbara B.:

With deepest sympathy. May God's love bring you comfort and peace during this difficult time.

As a gift of prayer, Bill will be remembered in the daily mass and prayers offered at Sacred Heart Southern Missions for one full year.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 05, 2019 at 10:17 AM

HH

“ From caring friends, Jason and Kate:

With sympathy to you all. Memories will live on in the hearts of those that were touched by a life well-lived.

We are terribly sorry for your loss. We wish you all peace and comfort. You are in our prayers. Caring thoughts are with you now.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 05, 2019 at 10:17 AM

HH

“ From the caring staff at Kindred:

Our thoughts are with you. Your sadness now is a reflection of your love for this wonderful man who is now gone and it is a sure sign that you have loved well.

May the warmth of family, friends and wonderful memories bring you comfort at this difficult time.

*Our sincerest condolences,
Al, Cheryl, Margaret, Cindy, Linda, Vera, Mitch, Lance, Preston,
Chris C., Chris W., Lavinia, Reynald, Ashley, Kristen*

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 05, 2019 at 10:16 AM

HH

“ From Dr. Jason Grossman and staff:

We are all very sorry for your loss. We all hope that warm memories of this kind man that you all miss so much will touch your hearts, bringing comfort today and love always.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - May 05, 2019 at 10:16 AM

HH

“ From my “cuginetto” (little cousin):

Your father's tribute video is beautiful. It captured his greatness and his prideful way of living life. He set a wonderful example for others to follow.

The photo in which you hug are hugging him gives off extraordinary emotional warmth. The amazing bond that you shared with him shall live forever. I hope you can find comfort in this.

I also read all the tributes. They all honor a very special man. He touched so many lives in a positive way. This is a life well-lived.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 30, 2019 at 09:01 AM

HH

“ From a gracious friend, Michele B.:

I am so sorry to hear of your tremendous loss. I hope that you are all staying strong. Your dad would want that....he would want you to all band together!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 27, 2019 at 11:58 AM

HH

“ From a family friend, Francis:

Remember that he is forever your hero, your healer, your rock. He persevered for you. Now, you must persevere for him!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 27, 2019 at 11:58 AM

HH

“ A thank you to Reynald:

We all wish to thank you, Reynald (at Kindred). You are an exceptional physical therapist! You work from your heart and it shows!

You were able to get dad out of bed and back to sitting in a chair! You inspired us....encouraging us not to be fearful. You assured us that he would do even more at the rehab facility and you were so right! He did just that! You prepared him and he was then able to stand up, play ball, lift weights and best of all laugh and smile!! Everyone marveled at dad's strength!

We also extend our thanks Tony, Ruby and the physical and occupational therapy teams at the Highlands! You all got my dad to do the possible and even the impossible (and you let me play his favorite music), making his final chapter joyous for us all!!

God bless you all for the amazing work that you do!!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 27, 2019 at 11:58 AM

HH

“ From a long-time friend, MM:

What beautiful tributes to your Bill! He will always be remembered for everything he did for his family and others. What a wonderful man! It's an honor to have known him.

An experience (a "sign") that I (Patricia) wish to share:

I woke up two days ago with a message I heard (or dreamed) in my head....the message was: "find Jaden...he can go by different names"

So I looked up what the name means....it means "God has heard".....it also means "grateful to God"..... and "God is my judge"....it also means different names for God....Jehovah and Yahweh.

I didn't know all this.....I believe it's a message from my dad....he's in a good place and he's saying to have faith...."find Jaden" means to find God...."he has different names"....God had different names in the Bible, such as Jehovah and Yahweh.

I am amazed....

I didn't know the meaning of the name Jaden. I looked it up as soon as I woke up. That's why I believe it's a message from outside of myself.....not just a dream.

I've been questioning life since losing my dad....I guess he's still guiding me and, yes, telling me to keep my faith and look to God!! I shall do just that!!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 27, 2019 at 11:57 AM

HH

“ From a caring friend, Rachel D.:

I'm so sorry to hear of your great loss. He was a very handsome, loving and kind man.

From what I heard, quite a singer and dancer, too!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 26, 2019 at 08:25 AM

HH

“ From a dancing friend, Tricia:

I'm so terribly sorry for your loss.

Keep the precious memories with him in your heart.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 26, 2019 at 08:24 AM

HH

“ From family friend, Don:

My sincerest condolences to you and your family. He was truly a wonderful man!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 26, 2019 at 08:24 AM

HH

“ A spiritual friend, Carla:

I'm so sorry. He was an amazing man and the center of your family. You must now continue what he began.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 26, 2019 at 08:24 AM

HH

“ From a soulful friend, Cley:

Patricia, you and your family have my deepest condolences. Remember...dad is still with us...only the flesh has been discarded. Right now, he is telling the angels about his loving family and beautiful daughter.

Keep his kindness and wisdom alive!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 26, 2019 at 08:24 AM

HH

“ A few words from Al:

I'm so sorry to hear about this. I know you were close with your dad. Hopefully, time will heal and until then hold onto the memories. Stay focused even at this sad time and be grateful for every moment that you shared.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 26, 2019 at 08:24 AM

HH

“ From a kind friend, Rachel R.:

I am so sorry to hear of your family's loss. I know you were all extremely close! He was a truly wonderful man! It must be very hard on all of you. Prayers will help you to heal.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 26, 2019 at 08:24 AM

HH

“ From a lovely friend, Lauren:

I'm so sorry. My heart breaks for you and your family. You'll all be in my prayers.

I know that he was wonderful family man and the void is immense....he'll forever be in your memories.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 26, 2019 at 08:23 AM

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“ From Dr. G.:

I am very sorry for you loss. Condolences to you and your family.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 26, 2019 at 08:23 AM

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“ From an enlightened friend and colleague, Karla:

Sending you love and prayers. I will chant for your father - William Joseph Fuzzi - and light a candle for him.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 26, 2019 at 08:23 AM

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“ From a gentle friend, Inna:

I was so touched and moved by the tributes your family has written. I had tears in my eyes and joy in my heart as I read your words of love and honor. These are the proof of a great man and a life well-lived.

From Caryn, Alla, Fran, Carolina, Rosita, Dee:

We are all sorry for your loss and offer our condolences.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 26, 2019 at 08:22 AM

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“ From my mentor, Ron K.:

I am sorry to hear of your loss.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 25, 2019 at 09:36 AM

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“ From a southern friend, TK:

I offer my sincerest condolences to you and your family at this time. He lives on in all of you! And, Patricia, always remember that you are your father's daughter....march on in his honor! Keep the faith!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 25, 2019 at 09:35 AM

HH

“ From a dear friend and fellow only child, MJ:

You all are and remain in my prayers. It is with a heavy heart that I wish you all a Happy Easter - as I recall how very difficult the first of even joyous events are in the absence of your loved ones. You will get through it all as you recall the many precious memories that you have.

It might sound silly, but what helped me get through loss, was a song from the movie, “Carousel”:

“When you walk through a storm,

hold your head up high...

And don't be afraid of the dark...

At the end of a storm,

there's a golden sky...

And the sweet silver song of a lark...

Walk on through the wind...

Walk on through the rain...

Though your dreams be tossed and blown...

Walk on, walk on

with hope in your heart

and you'll never walk alone...

You'll never walk alone...

Walk on, walk on

with hope in your heart...

And you'll never walk alone...

You'll never walk alone."

May memories of your Dad help you get through this holiday.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 22, 2019 at 10:36 AM

HH

“ Wise and sage words from Italy:

Now, it is time to accept this new reality. When a loved one passes, we can't remain in the past reality where they were still living. We must go forward and live our days with an awareness of a new normality.

Now, it is as if your father is a leading actor who comes out of a film....that of life. Your grandparents' project, to leave Italy, had its beginning, it materialized and developed and now, it had concluded with your father who has passed. With him, that part of the Fuzzi family cycle has ended....the heirs now, are Americans....as your grandfather had imagined it would be.

Think of it in this way.....now, it is your turn to develop your project....to create your family's legacy. You will be the new pioneer of the Fuzzi family.

Wipe away your tears....work on your projects...you are not alone...you have someone who will help you....you have an amazing guide....Professor Billi.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 20, 2019 at 08:55 AM

HH

“ A dear friend, Marion, made a generous contribution to one of my father’s favorite charities (St. Jude’s Children’s Hospital) in his honor.

She wrote:

“This gift has been made in Memory of William Joseph Fuzzi. This gift will continue to bring hope to the children of St. Jude’s today, tomorrow and beyond...Continuing the legacy of an amazing, dedicated and caring man.”

Marion, my family and I are deeply moved by this kind and generous tribute to my father. This was a beautiful gesture on your part. We thank you with all of our hearts and you shall be in our prayers always. God bless you.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 19, 2019 at 06:17 PM

HH

“ A message of love and honor that crossed the ocean from a true friend, Nando C.:

Dear friends,

I saw the video tribute and read the commemorative statements that each of you wrote about your thoughts of the head of the family.

I was particularly struck by the words of your mother, Anna.

I was in awe of the video tribute. It was the first time that I saw a collection of memories put together in that way at such a time. We don't have this practice in Italy.

I would have liked to have visited your dear Dad in his later years, but life and destiny are all written.

He was and will remain a WONDERFUL MAN OF GREAT CHARACTER TO BE ADMIRER AND FOLLOWED AS AN EXAMPLE FOR ALL OF US.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 19, 2019 at 07:55 AM

HH

“ From my dear childhood friend, Nydia (upon viewing dad’s tribute video):

What a beautiful tribute to your dad! He will always be remembered for everything he did for his family and others. What a wonderful man! It’s an honor to have known him.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 18, 2019 at 10:47 AM

HH

“ My dear friend Marion comforted me (as I spoke about dad and the many wonderful things he has always done and the many selfless sacrifices he has made for all of us) with these lovely words:

“That is all the more a reason as to why he is your hero, your healer, your rock. He persevered for you.”

Thank you, Marion. You are so accurate with your words! He was our hero, our healer and our rock....and yes...he preserved for us all! We must now follow his lead...that’s what he would want!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 18, 2019 at 10:46 AM

HH

“ For my Zumba family:

A special thank you to my fellow Zumba dance mates. What a wonderful, soulful troupe!! I feel truly blessed!! My dance mates have been remarkably supportive!

They dance me through my sorrow. Their hugs and high fives lift my spirits! Thank you for the lovely father-daughter song that we danced to!! Thank you for your kindness and for playing “Volare” as a prayer and tribute to my dad! I thank you for your radiant smiles and energy that inspires!

I must also thank my Italian Zumba mates! Music and movement unite us and make the ocean between us vanish! I hope that one day you will brighten the USA Zumba scene and join us here with your very special flair. I thank you for your support at this time! Thank you for welcoming me into your Zumba family in Italy and I thank you for your condolences at this time of great loss.

Zumba unites such wonderful people and I feel fortunate to share a dance floor with each of you!

My mom (a prima ballerina in Europe) was my first dance teacher (and she can still out dance us all!) and my dad was my first and best dance partner! When my mom and dad ballroom danced everyone was in awe!

I may seem to be dancing solo, in classes right now, but I'm really not! Dad is with me with every step and I can hear him now, “...just have fun....listen to the music....and put a little pep in your step!” So, that's just what I'll do!! Love you forever, dad!!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 18, 2019 at 10:45 AM

HH

“ From a nephew in Italy:

Ciao, Uncle Bill ... I'm sorry I didn't see you for so long... but I'm getting to know you through your family's stories and tributes... you continue to live in all of your family... You will remain present here among us in our hearts and in our thoughts.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 16, 2019 at 07:33 AM

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Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 16, 2019 at 06:31 AM

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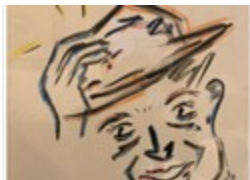
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Ciao, Uncle Bill ... I'm sorry I didn't see you for so long... but I'm getting to know you through your family's stories and tributes... you continues to live in all of your family... You will remain present here among us in our hearts and in our thoughts.

Patricia Fuzzi - April 15, 2019 at 05:41 PM

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Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:19 AM

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Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:15 AM

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Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:10 AM

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“ From the always gracious, Sabrina:

My sincerest condolences. My heart goes out to all of you. Be strong. His love for you all lives forever.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:10 AM

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“ *From a special cousin, Madeleine (the first child Bill baby-sat for):*

Your tributes depict a marvelous history for such a lovely man! Your daddy loved you!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:10 AM

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“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:09 AM

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“ *From a cousin on the Adriatic, Mauro:*

I have no words for what you told me....the words you wrote make me cry. Your father is in your heart and as long as he remains there, he will NEVER die. He looks at us from up there and he will protect you for the rest of your life.

I offer you my heartfelt condolences and a very strong hug! I'm close to you.

Rest In Peace, sweet warrior and master of life.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:09 AM

HH

“ From a sincere friend, Marc:

I offer my sincerest condolences and am saddened by this great loss. Much strength is needed to overcome this!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:09 AM

HH

“ From an always uplifting friend, Vera:

Patrizia, I just heard about your father and I wanted to tell you that I'm so sorry. I offer you my warmest condolences and a strong hug.

You must be strong... it will take so much strength..... it takes time....when I lost my father, I always cried....after a while, I adjusted this pain.

You have to go on do it for your father and for your mother and children.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:09 AM

HH

“ From a good friend, Bobi:

I heard the sad news and I am deeply sorry. I am beside you all in this moment of immense pain. A big hug.

I understand you very well.... unfortunately, I have already lost my dad and only time and the love you have for him, will succeed in calming the pain you feel today.

An affectionate hug to you and the whole Fuzzi family.

Alessandro's sensitivity is his greatest gift....give him a big hug and as he is getting bigger, a vigorous handshake and a pat on the shoulder.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:09 AM

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Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:08 AM

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“ From a friend who is generous of heart, Enza:

Patrizia....

I heard about your dad and I'm so sorry.

I offer you my heartfelt condolences and send you a big hug!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:08 AM

HH

“ From a Neapolitan friend, Enzo:

I heard about your father's death and I'm terribly sorry. But if he had to live suffering, it is better this way. Life unfortunately is a circle. Now, stay close to your mom.

I offer my condolences also on behalf of Maria.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:08 AM

HH

“ From a gentle friend, Giorgia:

*Patrizia, I learned the sad news.
I'm very sorry, because I know how close you were to him. I can only tell you that surely he will live in your heart forever.
Be strong! A big hug....I am close to you with my heart and my prayer.*

*Your daughter's words are beautiful. I can understand her.... I'm as bonded to my grandfather as she is.
Courage for all of you.*

*Dear Patrizia, find comfort in the memory of your father.
What a great man!! You describe him with the true love of a daughter to a father. Everything shines.
Patrizia, we are all with you!*

Unfortunately, the distance leads us to not be present, but with our hearts we are!

I am also writing to you from my mom, dad and brothers.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:08 AM

HH

“ From an always smiling, Luciana:

*I'm so very sorry..all my heartfelt condolences....also from Mauro.
We are with you. We send a big hug and lots of love for you!!*

Your father led a wonderful life. He was a great man. I tell you to be proud. He is now very happy to be among the angels. You must remain serene, otherwise he will suffer. I can assure you.

Life is a treasure.

I would like to hug you to the point of making you not think of the hurt anymore.

*He was beautiful....
a great angel.*

Patrizia, do you think he wants you to suffer ?????

You must be courageous, my dear.

I understand you're in terrible pain. Be strong, like him.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:07 AM

HH

“ From an always-smiling friend, Giovanna Q.:

Be strong for your mother and your children. Now it's you that has to watch your family.....your daddy will watch over you from the sky and he will be proud of you.

Rest In Peace, Bill.

I care about you like a sister....you have to be strong for all of your beautiful family. I love you.

We are sisters. I have loved you from the first day I met you!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:06 AM

HH

“ From a close friend, Catia:

Honey, I've just received this sad news. I'm really sorry. I am here for you. Augusto and I send our condolences.

I am crying at this moment. I can imagine your immense grief. I lost my dad at the age of 11 and I miss him everyday of my life. Stay close to each other! My love is with you always. Love you.

He was a fantastic person..... now strength and courage....sending a strong strong hug to mom. Love you.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:06 AM

HH

“ From a very sweet friend, Anita:

What a beautiful person your father was. His face was sincere and good. You could read it on his face. There are no words. You have to have much strength for your mother and children. I know that it is a sad moment when you lose a parent. You feel lost. Stay strong for him. You will find serenity comes.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:06 AM

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“ From an always cheerful friend, Tonino:

I'm sending a strong hug. I'm close and I pray for your dad. I read everything you wrote. As soon as you can, send me a picture that I'll keep with me.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:05 AM

HH

“ My fellow Italian dancing friend, Mara:

My friend... Slowly, each day will get better.

Give yourself time....this will help you....do not despair... I wish I could hug you...

You don't have to give up....you have to go on....live up to the teachings that he gave you.

Sending hugs.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:05 AM

HH

“ *From a dear friend and life guide, Giordano:*

*Condolences from all of us. A warm hug,
Patrizia. I am truly sorry. Be brave as he was always brave for
himself and for all of you.*

*With his great love, he watched over all of you....he suffered and
rejoiced and carried on an exemplary life. You must be the parent
that he was and also the daughter he wanted. Now stay close to
your mother and your children, as you all need each other.*

*I would like to be there to comfort you all.
I send a strong embrace.*

*Patrizia, I know you are a person of great strength and courage. Do
not be discouraged. These are the stages of life!
Now is the time to love who is by your side.*

*I am near you, Patrizia and I pray for you.
Accept this loss with serenity and support those close to you.*

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:05 AM

HH

“ *Love from Raffaella:*

*Oh, God... I'm so sorry... You don't know how much. I know how you
feel....he will always stay with you....he will protect you from above
... I am close to you.*

*It will not be easy. You will always miss him, but, over time, you will
feel his presence...love you.*

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:05 AM

HH

“ *From cousin, Donatella:*

Condolences from all of us. A warm hug.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:05 AM

HH

“ *From a good friend, Laura:*

*Dearest,
I have just heard of your great loss and I grieve for all of you ... I
embrace each of you.*

Couples like Anna and Bill that stay together across time are rare ...

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:01 AM

HH

“ *From a friend, Marco:*

Hoping that you all find strength and that that God helps you all.

Slowly, you will all heal.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:00 AM

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“ *From Giacomo and family:*

Dear Patrizia,

We have learned of your dear father, Bill. Mom, dad and I want to express our deepest condolences.

Patrizia, we understand you well. This pain will be overcome by cherishing the beautiful moments in your minds and in your hearts. Be strong and courageous, like Bill.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:00 AM

HH

“ *From one Patrizia to another Patrizia:*

I heard the sad news...

I send my condolences to you and your whole family.

Losing a parent is devastating, despite age....you are never ready.

Sending a strong embrace to you and your family.

Your daughter's words are so touching, making it clear how important your father was to your family.... may the Lord hear the prayers said for your father.

Of course, you must strive and move forward following your father's teachings.

You are blessed with beautiful memories to keep and recollect when nostalgia strikes you.

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“ From my sweet friend (in Italy), Francesca:

You must remember that your father is now looking at you, watching over you, so have so much strength now.....his strength....live for him.

He will always watch over you and he will be your guardian angel.

Dear Patrizia, believe me, I am very sorry... my heart broke when I heard the news.....sending hugs.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 09:00 AM

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“ From the lovely Elena:

My heart is with you in this moment...now more than ever!!!

Your dad joined my grandpa now.

I'm close to all of you!!!!!!

Your dad was so charming and he has left you all with such beautiful memories...

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 08:59 AM

HH

“ For my “little cousin”:

Beautiful words used by you and your daughter...they describe the sweetness of your father ...

Those we love always remain close to us... indeed with some extra power... they become our angels... they know how to guide us and help us with a speed that exceeds that of light...

Just think about him for a moment and call him with your heart.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 08:59 AM

HH

“ From a friendship that has traversed over three decades, dear Nancy:

My beautiful friend,

My condolences for your dad. May he Rest In Peace. He was a beautiful man!! I am so sorry!! Please, tell your lovely mom, that I always think of her!! And I love her!! I will see you all soon.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 08:59 AM

HH

“ Condolences from a gracious friend, Maria G.:

Dearest,

These days are very hard to deal with and so many memories crowd your mind. Try to find the strength to go on from these memories, feel lucky to have them; unfortunately not everyone does! We are lucky...we can walk tall, proud of our parents. We can take them as an example for our children, more than our own example!

Our parents have pedaled so much in life that thanks to them, we go forward with a scooter. This strength will always accompany us!

Remember your father's motto: persevere! ALWAYS ! WITH FORCE AND STRENGTH! PERSEVERE!!!!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 08:59 AM

HH

“ From Ando:

Dear Friend,

*I read your news with great regret.
Parents are the pillar of our earthly life and a void opens for some time when they are missing.*

My condolences to you and all your loved ones.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 08:58 AM

HH

“ Beautiful words of comfort and solace from a dear friend and sister of the soul, Marion B.:

Dear Patricia,

I am so glad and honored to have been able to know your dad. It was obvious to see all that your words so giftedly describe. The physical world misses a great soul, but he touched so many (as you describe so well) that his legacy lives on in countless ways and he will truly never be forgotten!

And yet - in this time of intense grief- you still remembered my birthday. Thank you so very much!!

Never forget - 'you are your father's daughter' !

You have always been in my thoughts and prayers and will continue to be.

Thank you so much for introducing me to so many of your family members and friends. As usual - you went above and beyond!

Looking around the room, it was evident to me - even in in his illness and passing, your Dad was able to unite and heal so many. No small accomplishment.

You are a strong woman who learned from the best!

I am very fortunate to call you a friend!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 08:58 AM

HH

“ From my spiritual sister friend, Candy:

May his face shine directly on you, giving you the guidance you need concerning all things.

Your father looked like an actor. So handsome.

My heart is with you. I read every word you wrote...how gorgeous and filled with love your father's dash (1927-2019) has been.

Time heals the heart. Your father's values are not what was, but what is, forever instilled in all of his family...especially you! You came directly from him.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 08:56 AM



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Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 15, 2019 at 08:20 AM

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“ Dad....

I keep thinking of so many special and wonderful things that you did for me and all of us...big things....small things....even the small things were big things....and you know what, dad??? It would take the rest of my days and then some to even try to capture all that you did for all of us. To try to depict the essence of who you were with mere words is simply not possible!!! The great thing....the beautiful thing is that you knew who you were....so did we....you were William Joseph Fuzzi, WJF, Willy, Bill, Billuccio, Dad, Daddy, “Popsy-Doodle,” Faaaather, Grandpa, Grandpa Bill....you were YOU!!! You were, are and always will be my superhero. You are the one and only person that I could 100% rely on....we all could!!! You were so honest, so dependable....you never did much for yourself....until your very last day....even in the hard days....your only thoughts were for all of us....you weren’t asking about yourself....your thoughts were on us....most especially, you just wanted to make sure the kids were ok....your STEFANO (Tepo), your FRANCESCA (Checca, Booboo) and your ALESSANDRO (Bean)....they were all your “babies” and ever since each one was born, they were your main focus....your joy in life...it was all about them!! You were the greatest ally and friend that any of us will ever have and we were and are blessed!

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You were a man of your word. You always spoke the truth. You were fearless in that way!! And you lived and loved with your actions and not just your words. You did everything for everyone everyday of your life!

You loved Al Jolson's lyrics...."I'd walk a million miles for one of your smiles." That song referred to the singer's "mammy"....Dad, you walked way more than a million miles for our smiles" every single day!!

Dad, even your last words to me were a gift and an expression of your selfless love....I asked you how you were...you said, "It's all ok....it's all good...it's all ok....it's all fine." I know that you are fine....you have already sent me so many signs....please, keep them coming....I need you by my side always....and I'll see you when it's my time....I'll keep hearing you sing Sinatra songs in my heart till you sing them to me again....I

love you always and forever.... oh, and you win....you always called me "Patreeeesha" and I used to say it's "Patrihsha" and you said that you named me, so it's "Patreeesha"....I concede (haha)....it's "Patreeeesha" and, oh, what I would give to hear you say it, again...but, I will....when it's my time....arrivederci....till I see you

again, my dear Daddy..... 🙏💖

Hegarty Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 04:26 PM

HH

“ From a special friend and chosen family member, Susanna:

Billuccio, what can I say!!!??? We all know each other for 33 years and there has only been love and respect between us all!! Our families grew up on the same street. You will always be with us!! You were Grandpa Bill to all my kids!!! They will always love and remember you and honor your memory!! Who can ever forget that any event or party, you always made sure the kids got a hotdog or a cupcake and maybe even an extra one??!!

My favorite memories will always be when we used to go to the supermarket, the bank and other errands around town together! Even when my grandkids were with us! You would make them laugh and smile!! Wherever we went....the bank...a store... the kids' schools....everywhere...everyone knew you and they were all genuinely happy to see you....you raised your hat and smiled to everyone...you told jokes and sang a bit of a song...you brightened everyone's days and we, who knew you well, were blessed because you brightened our lives for so many years.

Recently, my son, Michael, had the honor to take care of you at the hospital and you two were able to laugh together one more time!

You will live on in this family forever, Billuccio....you are forever our Grandpa Bill and we love you always.

And don't worry, I'll keep on eye on "those two" (Patricia and Anna).

Arrivederci, Billuccio....till we meet, again!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:20 AM

HH

“ From a great teacher of dance and life, Patrick:

I'm sorry to hear of your loss. Let me know if you need anything.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:19 AM

HH

“ From a precious friend,
Marie:

Oh, sweetie, I'm so, so sorry. Love to you, family & the mama's.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:19 AM

HH

“ From the effervescent, Diana:

What a true hero...he was a great man! I'm sorry for the loss of your first love. Dad's are their daughter's first true loves.

Continue to keep him alive in those beautiful memories and stories.

Sending you kisses, hugs and prayers for strength during this difficult time.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:18 AM

HH

“ From a friend of thirty years, Sandy:

I am so sorry for your loss. I know how much you loved him. Please, tell your mom and children also. If there is any thing I can do, please don't hesitate to tell me. Much love to all.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:18 AM

HH

“ *From the lovely, Monica:*

I'm sorry for your loss.

May he Rest In Peace and May you and your family find comfort and solace in each other and your beautiful memories with him!

Please, let me know if I can do anything.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:18 AM

HH

“ *From a long- time friend of the family:*

I am sorry for your loss. I know how you all loved him. Your tributes are beautiful. Please, let me know if I can be of help.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:18 AM

HH

“ *From a dear friend, who grew up with us, Annalise:*

I'm so sorry for your loss, Patricia. He was such a good man, father and grandpa.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:17 AM

HH

“ From a friend and neighbor, Anne:

Patricia, I am so sorry to hear about your dad. Please, give your mom and family my condolences.

Your words are beautiful tributes. He was an amazing man....may he Rest In Peace and may God give you and your family the strength you need to carry on. Losing your dad is one of the worst things anyone can deal with. Again, I am so sorry.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:17 AM

HH

“ From sunny Margaret:

My condolences. Hang in there and be strong for your mom.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:17 AM

HH

“ From kind Lorraine:

I am so sorry. I know how close you were with him!

He was loved a lot!

So sad when they are so close, but you had him for a long time and have a lot of good memories! Hang in there!

I still miss my mom and she has been gone 15 years! Although he is gone. he wil always be in your heart!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:16 AM

HH

“ From a friend, George:

I'm sorry for your loss. I offer my prayers and condolences to you and your family.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:16 AM

HH

“ From a lovely friend, Ornella,

Your family's tributes are moving and shout to the world how marvelous he was! He was a good and proud man! He will be with you always!!

Only time and family will get you through this.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:15 AM

HH

“ From Alexandria, who brightened our days with her radiant smile:

I'm so so sorry for your loss.....my prayers to you and your beautiful family.

He was a wonderful man and you are a wonderful family.

It's going to take time.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:14 AM

HH

“ From a genuine friend, Donna:

I am so sorry for your loss. My deepest most sincere condolences to you and your family. Death changes everything about us....about who we are now and forever. I pray you have the courage to keep going. May he Rest In Peace and May you all keep his memories locked in your hearts.

I want to live on to become the greatest grandparent in his honor!!!

He knew how hard it would have been for you if he stayed longer. He is with you always, helping you. Your tribute is the most beautiful tribute I have ever read. He lives on in your heart.

I believe they send us signs...Thinking of you.

There is not an easy road. You will be on a rollercoaster of emotions, so buckle up. You are a strong women with the best intentions in life, so you will come out of this, but changed in ways that you won't imagine. Take care of yourself...your Dad would want that!!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:14 AM

HH

“ From a beautiful person, Stephanie H.:

You can definitely tell he loved everyone.

Your dedication to your dad was beautiful. You will persevere as tough as it may be, but he will continue to give you strength to do so.

Our hearts are just a little heavier today.

Oh, I call Addie “Booboo,” too...funny coincidence!

My dancing friend, Lynn:

My condolences to you and your family. I know he knew just how much he was loved. I will keep him in my prayers. Be strong. You were a great daughter and he loved you. Always remember that.

You all wrote such beautiful tributes!! He would feel so honored and loved.

You have such wonderful memories and mementos.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:14 AM

HH

“ From Diamond girl:

I pray that God brings you all guidance and comfort.

Your tributes reflect his beauty, grace and dignity.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:14 AM

HH

“ From always positive, Barbara:

My sincerest condolences.

Your lives are taking on a new shape. Your dad will not be physically present, but he will always be at the core. As he was your core and guide in life, so if he now and so will he always be.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:13 AM

HH

“ From a friend, Rubina:

My sincerest condolences for you profound loss.

He was a beautiful man and you have every right to be saddened.

Find satisfaction in that your children follow your father's teachings. One day, your children will share their happy moments and the life lessons learned from their grandfather with their children and grandchildren!

You must all have strength as it is not easy to lose a piece of the mosaic.

The bond that you shared with your father is forever.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:13 AM

HH

“ From a sweetheart of a friend, Kathy:

I'm so sorry for you loss. You words brought tears to my eyes. Your father is special.

He was a handsome man and a beautiful person.

He was thoughtful and kind and even in his passing, he was kind to you all.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:12 AM

HH

“ From a good friend, Paula,

Your dad was handsome, strong and good. He lived for his family. Your sentiments bring tears to my eyes. Be strong for him and each other. I'm here for you. May he Rest In Peace.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 14, 2019 at 10:12 AM

PF

“ From a good friend, Nando:

Your words are written from your heart, honoring your 'Dad.' Your words make us all understand how much you loved and admired your father. You are a EXEMPLARY family!!!! He lead you to such heights!!!! I offer my condolences for the loss of a GREAT MAN!!!!

Patricia Fuzzi - April 13, 2019 at 08:42 AM

PF

“ From a lovely friend, MariaGrazia:

In all the tributes that you wrote, there is all your love for him and all his love for you!

WONDERFUL! SPLENDID!



Patricia Fuzzi - April 13, 2019 at 08:38 AM

PF

“ From a new and already dear friend, Cheryl:

He was loved by all. Your family is very loving and caring to everyone one you all meet. He raised you to be just like him. So you will always follow his lead.

Patricia Fuzzi - April 13, 2019 at 08:36 AM

PF

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My daughter, Francesca, captured the essence of my dad, her grandpa, in this beautiful sketch! My dad always tipped his hat and respectfully would ask, “How do you do?” When he left....he never said “good/bye”....he always said, “So long....see you around!” Dad, we will do just that....we will see you around!!

Patricia Fuzzi - April 13, 2019 at 08:31 AM

PF

“ From a dear cousin in Italy....

Your thoughts about your father are beautiful. You have described your father's life well in your tributes. I copied and pasted them into an email that I sent to myself, in order to be able to reread those honorable words often,

Now, my dear friend, it will be up to you to keep what he has created moving forward, as he still watching.

You will always carry these precious memories of a life together with you. By keeping him in your heart, you will continue to relive those memories every day.

For Billi, his natural cycle on this earth has ended. Even in this he was exceptional, for his age. By now, he no longer had his friendships or his brothers....they all left before him, as if he were to take on the role of guarantor or supervisor over all. Bravo Billi!

Patricia Fuzzi - April 13, 2019 at 08:28 AM

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Patricia Fuzzi - April 13, 2019 at 08:21 AM

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And please add this statement:

From dear family friend, Assemblyman Joseph Danielsen:

This is going to be a great day. You get to fulfill a true honor of burying a hero. It is your responsibility and your joy. Today marks the beginning of his rest for which he's earned.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 12, 2019 at 05:47 PM

HH

“ We want to extend our sincerest thanks to our family and friends for their compassion and support at this time of great loss. We thank you for honoring my father by paying your respects and speaking of him so highly. My dad lived a good and honest life. He deserves the honor and praise.

My father lived a full and blessed life. He had outlived his peer group. His parents, brothers, friends and colleagues had all passed before him. It is of comfort to know that he is reunited with all those that passed before him that he loved so much.

As such, it has been heart-warming to see all the honor and tributes....the happy recollections....from the younger generations. He was a remarkable father figure to my age group. Back in the day, many of my peers, thanked my dad....I heard many say, “hey, thanks Mr.Fuzzi....if not for you, we really wouldn’t go anywhere or do anything.” This reflects that he was a man ahead of his times. He was an engaged and actively participating dad way before it became “in vogue” to do so!! My dad stood apart...he followed his heart....he did it “his way!”

It also brought joy to see my children’s friends pay homage to Grandpa Bill. He was a familiar presence for all of them. To many, he was the only grandpa in their lives. Grandpa’s house was always full of everyone’s favorite snacks and beverages. And everyone knew, that at Grandpa Bill’s house, they could get anything they wanted from the kitchen because they felt “at home.” Yet, they usually didn’t have to go to the kitchen cabinet because Grandpa Bill, who was always one step ahead, had the placemats perfectly set out on the kitchen table with napkins perfectly folded and snacks

and drinks laid out for the kids!! My dad loved kids....loved their pure honesty and their absolute delight at the simple things....that's how he was himself at every age. He managed to live his motto....to "persevere" and he did so by keeping himself "young at heart!"

It is also amazing to see, in this fast-paced world in which we live, that so many people....the bank tellers, the supermarket cashiers, the kids' teachers, the restaurant wait staff....all touched by him....all felt a loss. Right up to his last chapter, he always lifted his fedora hat and said, "how do you do?" And then, he waited to hear their reply!

It has been amazing to see that even those who cared for him recently came to honor and respect him. The real Bill still managed to come out and many of his care givers called him "pappa."

My father touched the lives of everyone he met. He lives on in our hearts and memories.

He will continue to keep his caring and watchful eye upon us.

I thought of something funny....my dad expressed his love and care for others in his gestures and actions. His words were often short and to the point. I just saw him in my mind's eye....I believe that he would tip his hat, as he always did, and say, "so long...see you around!"

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Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 11, 2019 at 03:08 PM

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Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 11, 2019 at 03:06 PM

“ From a life-long family friend, Oriani:

"To God we belong and to Him we shall return."

God asks His angels: 'Have you taken out the life of My obedient? Angels reply in the affirmative.

Thereupon He asks, 'What has My obedient's family said?'

They say: 'They have praised You and said: "To God we belong and to Him we shall be returned."

God says: "Build a house for My obedient in Paradise and name it the House of Praise."

One of the greatest worldly calamities for a person is to lose his or her loved ones. None, but those who have gone through it know what it is like. By the above we realize that we are all on the same track to Him and we must all realize the great merit of exhibiting patience at this time of calamity. Rather than wailing and complaining, one should submit to the Will of God and try to remember His promised reward.

Losing loved ones is devastating. As devastating as it is, it is also a reminder that we are all here only by the will of God and only for as long as God wants us to be here; not a moment longer, not a moment shorter to fulfill a duty we call life. We are here to fulfill what he has granted to us, our lives by doing well to ourselves, our families, our neighbors and our society. Therefore we must do everything in our power to fulfill this duty in the best way possible.

When a human baby is born, we must accept the fact that the newborn baby is the chosen one out of millions of sperm cells that were not able to make it to the egg to develop into a human being. He/ is the special one. Just like everything that we can see and we can not see, we can comprehend and beyond our comprehension, he/she is created for a purpose. How happy is the one who fulfills the purpose of his/her creation.

During the time, called life, granted to us by God to fulfill our purposes, we go through stages of all kinds. We all have witnessed one way or another that no matter how high or how low the financial position or the rank of a person in life is, he/she is subject to similar pain and suffering as others caused by similar incidents. The most important thing is, that one must not get stock in the past, must always look ahead and keep doing what he/she is here to do, fulfill his/her duty for the self, familial and societal satisfaction.

God created us and gave us our destiny in our hands to shape it with the exception of death; we have no control over when, where and how we will pass. No one can change that. Everything else is what we shape it to be. We are all living in a body that is granted to us temporarily and on a soul that is loaned to us until our due moment. The combination of both is what makes us who we are. We have no choice but to some day return what is loaned to us. Part of our task in life, while we are fulfilling other duties is to take good care of what is loaned to us, our body and soul.

In order to be remembered in a good way after we are gone, it is absolutely empirical to do the right thing in life. William Joseph Fuzzi, may God bless his soul and give patience to those whom he left behind, has done just that. He was a good family man and a good business man. He was an exemplary individual with his day to day life and business life. He has guided and maintained a positive family with a beautiful child that acquired great education and has raised three beautiful children herself. He has served the community by building highways, roadways, railroads, airports, seaports, subway stations and other architectural landmarks in his immediate surrounding, throughout the country and in various parts of the world.

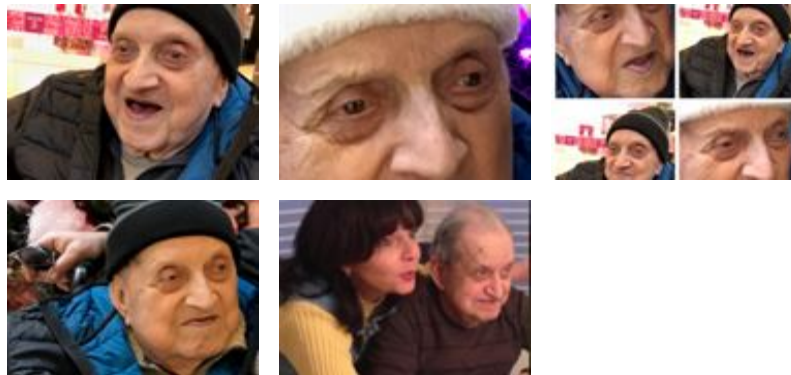
In my prayers for his healing I always included "May God make it easy on him if it is his due time!" We are thankful to God that he made it easy on him and he was granted a very clean submission of his loaned soul.

I shall continue to keep praying for his soul's blessings in Heaven. May God bless his soul and give patience to cope with their loss to those he left behind! Amen.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 11, 2019 at 03:05 PM



“ 58 files added to the album Life Tributes



Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service - April 10, 2019 at 12:06 PM

HH

“ A special thanks to Nicole at the Highlands! You made us smile through the tears in our hearts! You and mom share a birthday, so she's expecting you and the others for one of her fabulous Italian dinners!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 09, 2019 at 10:15 PM

HH

“ From a dear friend, Charlene:

My prayers are with you and family to get through Wednesday and Thursday with some peace knowing that your dad was a good man and led a full and happy life.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 09, 2019 at 10:15 PM

HH

“ From our friend, Mariella:

You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers, I'm here to listen whenever you need to, don't forget to reach out at any time.

We all only get 2 parents and one of yours is now gone. Life will never be the same. You will have a new normal. The hurt will always be there....not nearly as bad as now, but you will always miss him.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 09, 2019 at 10:13 PM

HH

“ From Stephanie V. who helped to care for my dad:

I'm so sorry. My condolences go out to you and your family. I know he's resting now. He was a very very strong man. May he Rest In Peace! He was beautiful!!!! Keep him in your heart!!!

He's was a very dedicated man...he was an amazing person and did a lot. He will be protecting you and your whole family and watching over from above.

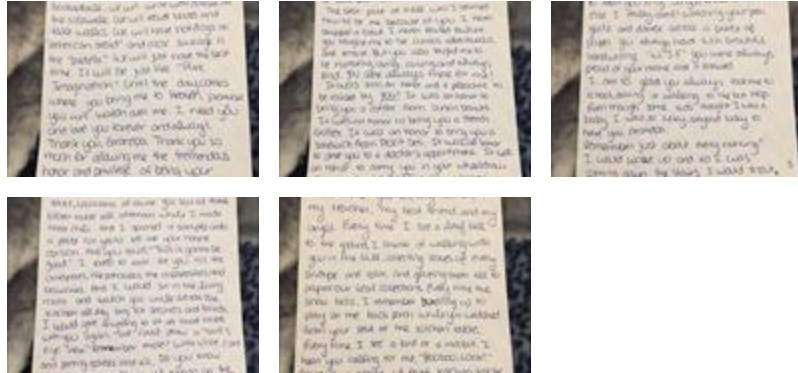
May he Rest In Peace. Amen!!!!

You're such an amazing person, Patricia, and you inherited that from your wonderful parents.

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“ 5 files added to the album Grandpa



Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 09, 2019 at 09:17 PM

MD

“ My love to all of you Dee purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of William Joseph Fuzzi.



My love to all of you Dee - April 09, 2019 at 04:20 PM

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“ A salute to Bill from family in Italy (cousin Mario from my dad’s mother’s side):

Bill had such a great heart to give love to everyone. When very good people leave us, the void around us remains and nothing and no one can fill it. In days past, I remember celebrating events where he sang his favorite songs. I know how he loved to entertain his grandchildren. I loved talking to him technically as he was at the top of his profession! like him,

Now, surely he will have freed himself from immobility. He was always a man on the go!! I imagine him one greeted by all his loved ones with hugs and handshakes. I can also see all his friends in a row to greet him. He can rest assured that he left his daughter with the same heart full of love and selflessness. Till we meet again, Professor Bill.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 09, 2019 at 08:05 AM

HH

“ From Eileen, our community manager and dear family friend:

“I remember Bill coming into the Foxborough office to bring the soda for the kids’ activities (that he volunteered for). He would sit in the office with me and tell me he liked to visit the office and talk to me. He was always interested in my cars. He would always compliment me on my cars. When I would drop off the monthly board package he would look outside and if I had a different car he would always ask me “Eileen, did you get a new car?” If I did, he would come outside and check it out.

He was a true gentleman.

Such fond memories!

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 09, 2019 at 08:03 AM

HH

“ From a true friend, who was truly there for my dad:

My Main Man, Bill!

I didn't need to know you when you were younger, although I wish I did! I came into your life and you came into mine at the perfect time! I needed to feel good about my life and you needed someone to take care of you!

Bill, as I think you knew, I tried everyday I was with you to see past your ailment and bring out the real you! I interviewed you for videos, sang to you, talked to you and had you do therapy and math problems! You probably didn't know it, but every time we were together, it lifted my heart! I will have the videos forever and the memories and will cherish them and we can laugh about it down the road when I join you in heaven!!! Till then....

Please, add these "thank you" messages from me:

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 09, 2019 at 08:02 AM

HH

“ From a friend:

Hey Doc, my wife and I are very sorry for your loss. I lost my Dad some years ago and it was devastating. I pray for your dad and your family. Just know that GOD WILL GREET HIM WITH OPEN ARMS AND YOU WILL SEE HIM AGAIN. WITH LOVE FROM OUR FAMILY. GOD BLESS YOU.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 08, 2019 at 11:52 AM

HH

“ From Michael:

With great sadness I mourn the loss of my father-in-law, Bill. He was a good father, dedicated grandfather and devoted husband. I will miss him forever. With respect, Michael

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HH

“ From a friend:

You are all more than capable of following Bill's lead. Your family has a brave and passionate love!

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“ A loving message from my childhood friend and soul sister, Paola:

Where do I begin... It all started in the first grade when I met one of my best friends, Patricia. We were inseparable. My family and her family instantly became friends. Mr Fuzzi was an amazing man. I had many dinners at their home with Patricia's mom and dad, so I was truly blessed by knowing them very well. They became my second family. I remember how much Mr. Fuzzi adored his family, wife and especially his baby girl. I will always remember his generosity in accepting me like another daughter. He touched so many lives and made a huge impact on so many people on this earth. Thanks for the memories that will live on forever in my heart. I know you are now seeing my precious mom and dad and talking about us as well.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 08, 2019 at 11:50 AM

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“ From a family friend, John:

I offer my condolences to the Fuzzi family. I still think of Bill every time I put on the wool blazer he gave me that belonged to him. He has always had a generous heart with actions, not just words.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 08, 2019 at 11:50 AM

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“ A tribute from the heart from my dear childhood friend and soul sister, Nydia:

I know that Mr. Fuzzi was a wonderful man. I remember him and his deep voice and can see him walking in after work when I would spend time at their home after school. He would always bring a little “treat” (Fritos)!

The Fuzzi family have always had and always will have a very special place in my heart. Our friendship has stood the test of time and distance. You all are family to me and it breaks my heart not to be physically close so I could be of support to you and your family in these sad times. My heart goes out to you. Love always, my prayers are with the family.

Hegarty Scalia Funeral Home - April 08, 2019 at 11:49 AM