



Frank Robert Basile

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Frank R. Basile, Sr., age 79 of Rehoboth Beach, DE, ended his journey on Friday August 12, 2022, after a brave fight with pancreatic cancer. He was born on May 13, 1943, in Brooklyn, NY, son of the late Natoli Basile and Helen (Mazurkewicz) Basile.

He was a proud Veteran of the U.S Army serving from 1961 to 1968 and was a member of American Legion Post 28 of Millsboro, DE. He supported our deployed troops in heart and soul, wearing his RED shirt every Friday. His neighbors would watch each day to see if the stars and stripes proudly waved from the flagpole at the front of the house.

He served his community as a member of The Mountain Lodge Park Fire Department and the Blooming Grove Volunteer Ambulance Corps. He also served as an Orange County Sheriff's Deputy, and as a dispatcher for the Dewey Beach Police Department. He was long involved in local politics and became known as "the guy to call to see who to vote for." He served on many boards and committees in the town of Blooming Grove, New York. He was also a member of the Knights of Columbus in Rehoboth Beach, DE.

He was a dynamic salesperson and could take the worst sales routes and turn them around by working hard and providing excellent service to his customers. He had a wonderful sense of humor and was always ready to share a joke with anyone he met. As an entrepreneur, he co-owned Alba Taxi and Strong-Basile Funeral Home with his wife, Barbara. After graduating from McAllister Institute of Mortuary Science, he had a distinguished career in the funeral industry serving as turnaround specialist for Service Corporation International. Working at the New York City Funeral Homes of Frank E. Campbell, Walter B. Cooke, Riverside Chapel, Jeffer's Brothers and National Funeral Car. In his positions, he gained a reputation as a fair and honest leader.

After moving to Delaware in 2003, he enjoyed reading and doing word puzzles. In a short while boredom set in, and Frank returned to the funeral field where he spent 14 years working for Parsell Funeral Homes and Crematorium.



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He was a devoted, hardworking, and loving husband, father, grandfather, brother, cousin, uncle, and friend. Frank was predeceased by his loving wife of 61 years, Barbara Basile, and his sister, Carole Basile. He is survived by his children: Frank Jr. (Mary Ann), James (Ellen), Matt (Dan); his grandchildren: Matthew Basile (Alexandra), Austin Basile, Kathleen Rafferty (John), Declan Basile and several cousins, nieces, and nephews.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday August 20, 2022, at 11:00 AM at Parsell Funeral Homes and Crematorium, Atkins-Lodge Chapel, 16961 Kings Highway, Lewes, DE. Friends may visit beginning at 10:00 AM. Interment will take place privately at a later date in Warwick, NY.

All who cannot attend in person are invited to join the services via live streaming by visiting the following link: <http://www.parsellfuneralhomes.com/obituaries/permalink/10613763/LTWebcast>.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions to Blooming Grove Volunteer Ambulance Corps. 7 North St. Washingtonville, NY 10992.

Please sign the virtual guestbook located on the tribute page.

FLORAL NOTE: PLEASE DELIVER ALL ARRANGEMENTS BY 2:00 PM ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 2022 AT OUR LEWES LOCATION.





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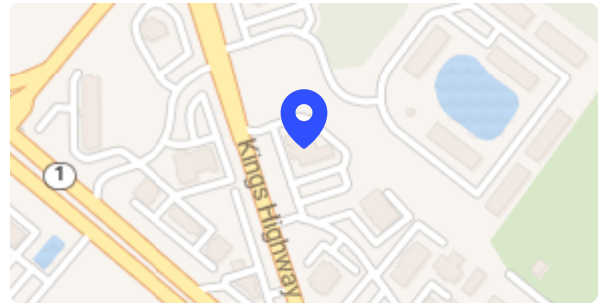
Viewing

 **Saturday**, August 20, 2022

 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

 **Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium-Atkins-Lodge Chapel**


16961 Kings Highway, Lewes DE 19958



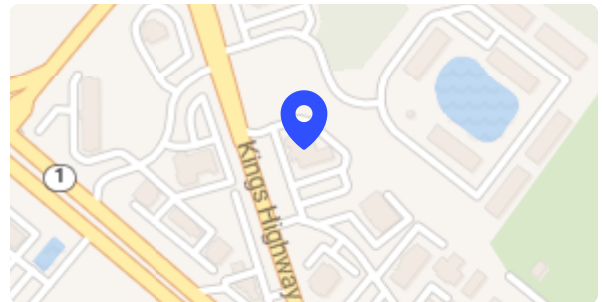
Funeral Service

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Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium shared a **Webcast Video**.



August 13 at 11:49 AM



Doug Harbaugh lit a candle in honor of Frank.

Of all the guys that I worked with at Parsell Funeral Home none were more professional. Frank was a class act! He shared many a funny story from his experiences. And jokes? He always had one! A good man for sure!



November 3 at 5:19 PM



Frank Titus lit a candle in honor of Frank.

RIP Frank.



August 22 at 6:39 AM



Dori Harmon Mcdowell posted:

Basile Family, What a pleasure it was to know Frank & Barbara since they moved here!!! I will never forget all of Frank's corny jokes or Barbara's smile and concern for my wellbeing. I loved to hear all the stories about each of your families throughout the years, graduations, moves, visits and how happy they were to have each of you. I feel like a part of me shared it from a far with you all. I selfishly feel like I've lost a part of my life like you all have. Please accept my sincere love for each of you that I was part of through their eyes. Always, Dori McDowell Mail Carrier

August 19 at 4:31 PM



Beverly King posted:

My Condolences to the Basile family! I truly enjoyed working with Frank at Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium and would always be ready when I saw him to hear a joke or two! :) He and Barbara were beautiful people inside and out. They will be fondly remembered and deeply missed! My deepest sympathies...Beverly King

August 19 at 10:08 AM



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CR

Clare Drohan (Joe Reilly) posted:

With deepest sympathy from a former member of the women's Auxiliary. Clare Dothan (Reilly).

August 18 at 8:25 PM



Anonymous sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Basile family.



August 17 at 7:34 AM

FH

Florence Hatz posted:

My most sincere condolences to Frank's family. He was always pleasant and "sometimes" funny. He will be missed. Even though I no longer live in Cedar Valley, I thought of him often. May he rest In Peace.

August 16 at 7:37 AM

GB

Gail Birnbaum posted:

It was a honor and a privilege to know him as my son's father in law. He was a outgoing, unique individual who welcomed me immediately into the family. In the midst of his grieving his dear Barbara, he was still able to share some very funny jokes with me. I will never forget his expert dancing at Dan and Matt's wedding -- simply fantastic. I know that he is now reunited with Barbara and at peace. My deep condolences to his wonderful family. Gail Birnbaum

August 15 at 2:23 PM

MH

Maureen M Holahan lit a candle in honor of Frank.



August 14 at 4:17 PM



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MP

Mary Pogue posted:

Glen & I are new to the community. We met Barbara & Frank our first day there. They were introduced to us as the best neighbors anyone could have! They more than filled that role. I would say they felt more like family! Frank had a fantastic sense of humor. I would pass his jokes onto my mom. She began sending jokes back. They continued that everyday until my mom passed away. I will never forget this kindness on Frank's part. He became a very special part of her life until the end. A couple of weeks ago I dropped off a couple ears of corn for Frank. I called him & said I put 2 ears of corn on your porch. Without missing a beat he said I thought I was hearing you better! I am going to miss his humor, his wisdom, his friendship. Cedar Valley is a better place because of the Basile's. How fortunate we were to live across the street from them. My love to 2 of the best people I have ever known! Mary Pogue

August 14 at 12:34 PM

TJ

Toni Jones posted:

I will never forget my favorite person..thanks for the wonderful memories i had while being your mail carrier..I will always hold them dear to my heart Love Always Your 2nd favorite mail carrier Toni Jones

August 14 at 10:12 AM

DM

Dolores Mazurkewicz posted:

My deepest Condolence to the family of Frank and Barbara. What a wonderful time all us first cousins had in Atlantic City in 2007, during the first cousins reunion! I can still remember roaring with laughter at Frank's humor and funny comments throughout that time there. I am very sorry for your loss. Dolores Mazurkewicz

August 14 at 9:33 AM



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Allan Eytan posted:

Frank and Barbara were our next door neighbors for over 19 years. They were our best friends. There was not a more devoted couple than them. We loved them dearly. When Frank worked at Riverside Funeral In NYC, he loved learning Yiddish expressions. He was the only non-Jewish counselor there, and everyone loved working with him. My favorite memory of Frank is the very first word he would greet me with; that was « Nu? » This is Yiddish for « so what's going on? » He also would walk 10 miles every day around our Cedar Valley Community. He knew every resident, and served as the community's first President of the HOA. Frank had a heart of gold. His and Barbara's public and volunteer services were an inspiration and a model for their sons to emulate. Their own record of public service has been outstanding and publicly recognized. Frank and Barbara were so rightly proud of them. There is no doubt in my mind that these two childhood sweethearts are now reunited. We will love you forever. Allan Eytan

August 14 at 8:34 AM



Ken shared 2 photos to the **Wonder Years** album.



August 14 at 5:28 AM



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Ken Kwas August 20 at 12:04 PM

Our love and sympathy to the Basile family. We appreciated the opportunity to view Cousin Frank's service. Our best to all of you, Ken & Diane Kwas



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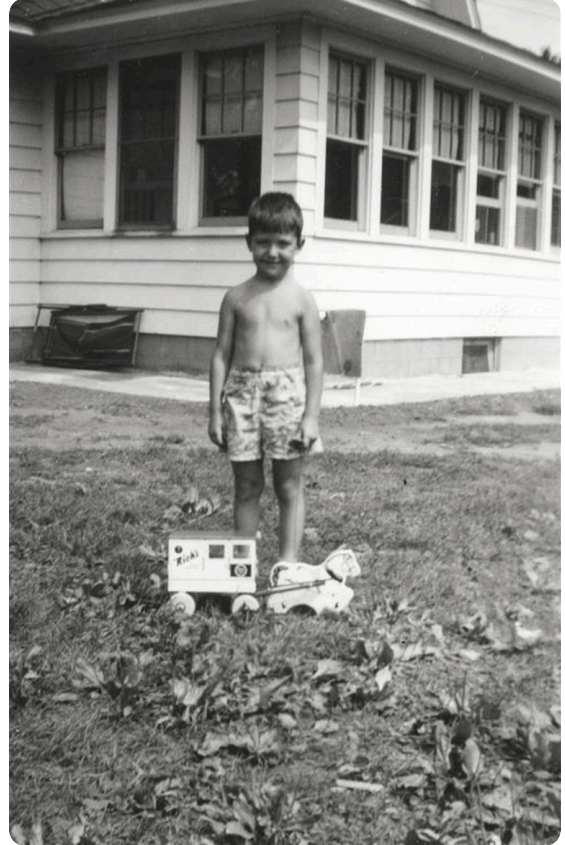


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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Frank by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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