



# Frank E. Dillon

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**F**rank E. Dillon, a cherished husband, father, grandfather, and friend to many, passed away peacefully while gently holding his wife's hand, surrounded by the warmth and love of his family, on March 24, 2025, at the age of 78. Born on October 7, 1946, in Wilmington, DE, to the late Mildred Dougherty Dillon and Francis Edward Dillon, Frank was a spirited soul whose warmth and kindness touched everyone he met.

He proudly served his country in the U.S. Army from January 1966 to January 1968. He subsequently embarked on a fulfilling career of 47+ years at Christiana Care, retiring as a Senior Systems Engineer. After retirement, he immersed himself in his passions for cooking and sharing meals and was always willing to offer his home improvement skills to family and friends. Frank will be dearly missed by his coffee club and happy hour friends for the laughter and companionship they mutually shared.

Frank's academic achievements began as a graduate of Salesianum High School in 1964, followed by earning his bachelor's degree in business administration from Wilmington University in June 1978. His commitment to lifelong learning mirrored his commitment to his family.

He is survived by his loving wife, Cindy Monaco; his daughters, Adriane Dillon Gallagher (Tabitha Golt) and Terra Dillon; his son, Matthew Dillon; and his grandchildren, Patrick Gallagher, Madeline Gallagher, Anovick (Connor), Gavan MacNamara, Aidan Leary, Kyleese Dillon, Adriaehna Dillon, and Iris Dillon. Frank is also survived by his sister-in-law, Constance Monaco Hastings (Robert) and his nephew Robert A. Hastings (Nancy). Frank's legacy is one of unyielding love, service, and friendship, a beacon of joy to all who had the pleasure of knowing him. His memory will be deeply treasured and cherished by all the lives he touched.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 am on Tuesday, April 15, 2025, at Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium, Atkins-Lodge Chapel, 16961 Kings Hwy, Lewes, DE 19958, where family and friends may begin visiting at 10:00 am. Burial will be held privately.



## Obituary

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All those unable to attend the services are invited to join the service via livestreaming by visiting the following link:

<http://www.parsellfuneralhomes.com/obituaries/permalink/11733524/LTWebcast>

In lieu of flowers, the family recommends memorial donations in Frank's honor be made to Meals on Wheels at <https://www.mealsonwheels-lr.org/donate/>.

Please sign the tribute wall located on this page.

FLORIST NOTE: PLEASE HAVE ALL FLOWERS DELIVERED ON MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2025 BY 3PM. TO OUR LEWES LOCATION.



# Events

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## Visitation

 **Tuesday**, April 15, 2025


 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

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

16961 Kings Highway, Lewes DE 19958



## Memorial Service

 **Tuesday**, April 15, 2025

 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET

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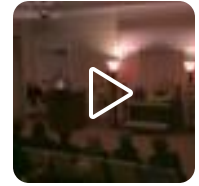
# Tribute Wall

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**Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium** shared an album called **Memories Album**.



April 16 at 11:05 AM



**Kevin Price** posted:

It's the day of memorial for my friend, but I have one more post. I hope this goes through. On a fiber job pulling from main campus to HCCC we needed multiple hands to work the many pull points, in order to reach across Rt4. Frank showed up and decided to lend a hand. Knowing how he was and wanted it to go perfectly, the pull went as planned. At the end I asked hi how many hours should we charge Christiana for your labor? He replied, in his strong voice " I better not see any time charges for me helping you out !!!! Laughing and knowing that would set Frank off ! I had to do it! Love always friend ♥

April 15 at 2:27 PM



**David Lupfer** posted:

My deepest condolences to Cindy and family. Working with Frank for 25+ years at Christiana Care I learned this valuable lesson - set up email forwarding to text you when donuts are in the cafeteria (1st come 1st serve!) Frank was one of the good guys at CCHS. Always helpful, always with good humor. And he was the go source for that rare network part, tucked away somewhere in his office. RIP Frank. I couldn't make the service but am grateful for the reminiscing and stories on the webcast. I certainly hope Heaven has an endless supply of prime rib.

April 15 at 7:59 AM



**Karen L. Gifford** shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.



Cindy and family I am so sorry for your loss. Frank was one of a kind and someone that I loved, respected and had tons of laughs with. He always had that great smile on his face. I'm posting this picture and so well remember the daily hazing I would get on our morning chats in Donna's office or the coffee pot. Frank loved to tease me about my clothing. I was called "grandmother's sofa, popsicle, clam digger...". He brought a lot of fun to work. We've missed him since he retired and enjoyed his visits for lunch events. He will be so missed but will live forever our memories and our hearts.

April 15 at 6:34 AM



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KC

**Kathy Costello** lit a candle in honor of Frank.

Deepest sympathy & prayers to Cindy & Family, my heart goes out to everyone. May God & all your memories help you through this difficult time. Frank was the best person & he will be greatly missed. Kathy Costello

March 31 at 9:12 AM



PG

**Peggy Golt** posted:

So sorry for the loss of your father. Frank was such a wonderful person and a great cook. Sending prayers 🙏🙏

March 28 at 6:14 AM

SS

**Shirley Slaughter** lit a candle in honor of Frank.

Frank was an awesome man. It was an honor to get to know him and spend time at His home. Dave loved going down and cooking with Frank, Dave being a Chef him and Frank really Had a good time together. I remember when Dave carved ice out front of Frank's house showing him how it was done. Now the two of them we'll connect and do some cooking up above. Condolences to Frank's family.

March 28 at 4:00 AM



ST

**Shelly Todd** posted:

My family and I are so sorry to know of his passing. He had been a friend to my family since 1968. He helped my dad panel our dining room. Frank and my dad went through a corn chowder phase. They made batches and passed it out to everyone at the community pool! One Christmas Eve I saw Santa Clause placing gifts under my tree. My mom said, it was Frank! When my family would pop in for a quick visit Frank would always feed my us no matter the time of day. He always made me/us laugh. He loved my whole family!!! Cindy, Adriane, Terra, and Matt, please know your are in our thoughts and prayers as you go through this challenging time. Love, Shelly, for the Molina family

March 27 at 5:47 PM

GR

**Gerry Reynolds** posted:

My sincerest sympathy for the loss of a wonderful person!Gerry Reynolds

March 27 at 2:35 PM



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**Kathy Potts** posted:

One of the nicest guy's ever...always had a smile and kind word for all.RIP friend...prayer's to his family, I know they will miss him.

March 27 at 6:16 AM



**Kevin Price** posted:

Frank made any project more enjoyable that I had with him. We had a lot of fun finding happy hours that had free wings! I'm sure we cost many restaurants quite a loss! I remember the first Tim I met Frank. Our personalities seemed to work. He was a person that if he liked you you were in. If not , it was a barrier tough to get thru. We drank and laughed a lot together and I'll miss my friend dearly!

March 26 at 3:38 PM



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DG

**Denny Glavin** posted:

I worked with Frank on the network team at Christiana Care for over 20 years. He was a good friend and a great person. I had many happy and funny memories with Frank and will always remember him for what he was, a good friend and person. You will be missed Fluff.Denny Glavin

March 26 at 2:03 PM

TD

**Terra Dillon** March 17 at 8:29 PM

As we approach the one year anniversary of my father's passing I am so grateful for the memories and messages you all have left. He loved every minute of his time with each of you. Thank you for loving him the way he deserved. Xo

BS

**Berni Stadler** April 3 at 8:00 AM

I just found out about Frank's passing. What a wonderful man! We met him at Gilligans and spent many fun happy hours there. He was a true gentleman - fun, warm, witty, and kind, always ready to lend a helping hand.A Lewes legend. He will be sorely missed by all his friends and family. Sincere condolences. Berni Stadler

RS

**Robyn Brooks-Smith** March 31 at 5:35 AM

Heartfelt condolences to Cindy, his family, friends and former co-workers on this loss. Frank and I were indirect colleagues in IT for 30 years. We shared mutual friends at work, and I enjoyed getting coffee and the conversation since the coffee stations was conveniently located outside his office for years! Frank always had a smile and made me laugh. Always kind and quick to assist if needed. Very well-liked by all. I credit a lesson learned at the very first lunch buffet we attended together. Frank shared the best method for filling your plate to insure you get some of everything! I always tried to line up near him at the front of the line to watch his technique. He also taught me to "never hold the napkin and utensils in your hand, stick it in a pocket so you can use that other hand for a dessert plate and your drink!" I have to chuckle every time I think of him. I am sure he is feasting in heaven and critiquing the chef! May he rest in peace and his memory never be forgotten.

KF

**Karen M. Fischer** March 27 at 2:46 PM

Frank was one of a kind person who always made me laugh and was great for one's mental health. Very caring and entertaining at Kindle when he ate his burger in the Dillon style. I will miss him a lot. My deep sympathy to his family on their loss.

CS

**Charlene Sasso** March 27 at 11:07 AM

I loved Frank like the brother I never had. I met him in Guilligans, where else, and we became great friends. That friendship extended to his entire family. We took on many projects together including building an outside shower, rebuilding my porch, mods to my RV, some gardening, Frank was not a fan, and even plumbing which he claimed he would not do. I often would hand him the tool he needed before he would even ask for it. We spent many wonderful happy



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hours together over the years. He never let me down, always there if I needed a favor or a kind word. He was one of a kind! The world has lost a great soul. He will always be with me.



**Donna Authenreath** March 27 at 5:34 AM

I've worked with my Fluff for over 30 years. He was a great friend, mentor and teacher. There are so many memories inside work and outside work. Many Happy hours in Lewes, problem was trying to keep up with him!!!! We love you Fluff and will miss you forever.



# Media

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**Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium** shared a video to the **Memories Album** April 16 at 11:05 AM album.



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So ornery!!!



# Memories only last if you share them

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



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