



## Francis G. Califano

December 31, 2019

Francis G. Califano (62) of Roslyn, New York on December 31, 2019. Beloved husband of Catherine, loving father of Andrew and cherished brother of Regina, Dona and Vincent (Julie). Frank was also a devoted uncle to Patrick, Kate and Jack Califano, a revered son-in-law of Josephine DeNardis and brother-in-law of Peter DeNardis (Janis). Frank is pre-deceased by son Matthew, parents Frank and Rose and father-in-law Sisto DeNardis.

In addition to his family, Frank was dedicated to his community, serving as a paramedic/firefighter, first in his hometown of New Hyde Park and then joining Roslyn Rescue upon moving to the neighborhood in 1983. Frank was an active and enthusiastic member throughout his 40+ years of fire service, fulfilling many roles, including proudly serving as EMS Captain.

His commitment to community service was further demonstrated in his chosen career path. He went to work at North Shore University Hospital in 1991, rising through the ranks to his current position of Emergency Management Coordinator.

Frank was instrumental in helping to develop, launch and manage Emergency Management Services for Northwell. His passion, knowledge and experience was widely respected.

Aside from work and the firehouse, Frank was an automotive and racing enthusiast. He was quick with an anecdote or (sometimes corny) joke. He

enjoyed dining out with friends, listening to classical music, cheering on the Fighting Irish and spending time with Cathy and Andrew, whether traveling abroad, in NYC , or at their homes in Roslyn or out East.

Frank was a man of honor, integrity and love, and he touched many lives in both his professional and personal roles. Although much too short, his was a life well-lived. He will be sorely missed, not only by his family, but also his many friends and colleagues.

Visitation will be Thursday, January 2, from 7:00 – 9:00pm, and Friday, January 3, from 2:00 – 4:00pm and 7:00 – 9:00pm. A funeral mass will take place on Saturday, January 4, at 10:00am, at St. Mary's RC Church in Roslyn Harbor, New York. Interment to follow at St. Charles Cemetery Farmingdale, NY.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made in Frank's name to the Northwell Health Emergency Medical Institute's Paramedic Scholarship Fund at Northwell Health Foundation 2000 Marcus Ave. New Hyde Park, NY 11042

# Cemetery Details

## St. Charles Cemetery

Wellwood Avenue  
Farmingdale, NY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JAN 2.** 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Roslyn Heights Funeral Home  
75 Mineola Ave  
Roslyn Heights, NY 11577  
(516) 621-4545  
roslynheightsfh@gmail.com  
<https://RoslynHeightsFH.com>

## Visitation

**JAN 3.** 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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75 Mineola Ave  
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## Funeral Mass

JAN 4. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (ET)

St. Mary's R.C. Church  
110 Bryant Avenue  
Roslyn Harbor, NY 11576  
(516) 621-2222

# Tribute Wall



“ Francis G. Califano

November 16, 2022 at 07:31 PM



“ I first met Frank around 1985. He always was smiling and we talked about traveling. I just heard yesterday of Frank's passing. So sorry I did not know. My husband Carl and I would have been there. To Cathy and Andrew my heart goes out to you. Words cannot express how sad we are feeling.



Donna Pagano - January 10, 2020 at 05:16 PM



“ All my memories have a fire truck in the background. You were a loving and gentle friend from the beginning. I am very grateful to have know such a good hearted loving man. Thank you for all your hard work to make thus world a better place for all of us. You will be missed physically but in our hearts....you will live forever.

Deborah Cavaliere - January 06, 2020 at 08:59 PM



“ Frank, it was a pleasure to know you. A kind and selfless soul. Gary Goodman MD FACEP

Gary Goodman - January 05, 2020 at 10:35 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Francis G. Califano.*



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January 03, 2020 at 06:29 PM



“ *Joyce joins me and others from the glory days of Reliance Federal Savings in extending our personal sympathies to the Califano family on the passing of Francis Califano, but take solace in knowing that he is at peace among the members of his family who preceded him through the gate of St. Peter. May he rest in peace, and may perpetual light shine upon him.*

*/s/Edward B (Woody) Ryder IV*

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**Edward B Ryder** - January 03, 2020 at 08:46 AM



“ *Madi Frank lit a candle in memory of Francis G. Califano*



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**Madi Frank** - January 02, 2020 at 06:31 PM



“ *Bountiful Rose Basket was purchased for the family of Francis G. Califano.*



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January 02, 2020 at 04:28 PM



“ *The Melinis & Vargas Families purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Francis G. Califano.*



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**The Melinis & Vargas Families** - January 02, 2020 at 01:10 PM



“ *With sympathy, The Tiberia & Michal families purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Francis G. Califano.*



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**With sympathy, The Tiberia & Michal families** - January 02, 2020 at 11:54 AM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Francis G. Califano.*



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January 02, 2020 at 11:08 AM

PU

“ I'm at a loss for words. For Kathy and Andrew we are so sorry for your loss. Frank was truly a great husband and Dad. Frank you will be greatly missed. You always found a way to crack me up. It's been 47 years my friend. God Bless you.

*Peter*

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**Peter J Uhl** - January 02, 2020 at 10:33 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Francis G. Califano.



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January 02, 2020 at 10:05 AM

TL

“ The Northwell Health OBGYN Service Line purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Francis G. Califano.



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**The Northwell Health OBGYN Service Line** - January 02, 2020 at 10:00 AM



“ A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of Francis G. Califano.



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January 02, 2020 at 09:54 AM

YS

“ *Your friends, Ambulatory Services purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Francis G. Califano.*



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**Your friends, Ambulatory Services** - January 02, 2020 at 09:20 AM

YF

“ *Your Gold Coast Bank Family! purchased the Peace Eternal Wreath for the family of Francis G. Califano.*



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**Your Gold Coast Bank Family!** - January 02, 2020 at 08:37 AM

GF

“ *Greg Kaufman and Family purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Francis G. Califano.*



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**Greg Kaufman and Family** - January 02, 2020 at 07:57 AM

JR

“ *Rest In Peace Frank. You were a consummate gentleman and a true friend*



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**jim roth** - January 02, 2020 at 07:56 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Francis G. Califano.*



January 02, 2020 at 07:42 AM



“ *Cathy, Andrew, Vincent, Dona and Regina - you are all in my thoughts and prayers. I can't reminisce about Christmas' past without memories of Frankie and Vincent regaling us with stories of the fire departments. Frankie was larger than life to me as a kid, he was a 'grown up' when I was a kid! His legacy runs deep and wide, he will live on through family and friends. Love, Maureen*

**Maureen Gilchrist** - January 01, 2020 at 08:56 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Francis G. Califano.*



January 01, 2020 at 07:35 PM



“ *Maureen E. Gilchrist purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Francis G. Califano.*



**Maureen E. Gilchrist** - January 01, 2020 at 04:39 PM