

Dr. Frank Ferrari

July 10, 1946 - March 2, 2022

Dr. Frank J. Ferrari passed away peacefully Wednesday, March 2, 2022, in his Conway, South Carolina home surrounded by family and his loyal companion, Daphne his dog.

Frank was born in Danville, Pennsylvania to Frank and Frances (Andrewjeski) Ferrari July 10, 1946. Frank leaves behind a legacy of learning, love, and laughter.

Frank grew up in Mt. Carmel, Pennsylvania where he made many lifelong friends, nurtured in Catholic faith at Mother of Consolidation Church and grade school. He graduated from Mt. Carmel High School in 1964 and went on to attend Bloomsburg State Teachers College receiving his B.S. in 1968 which launched his career in education. Frank's first teaching job was at Bangor Area High School. Then in the 1970s took a position at Danville Area High School. He and his wife of 54 years, Suzanne (Jepko) Ferrari raised their four daughters in Danville, PA where he spent most of his career teaching business education classes moving onto being one of the first computer teachers in the area in the early 1980s. During his career Frank taught at Susquehanna University and Penn State extension campuses as well. In the late 1980s Frank took a position as an Administrator for the Danville Area School District. While in Danville, Frank sat on several civic boards and committees including the United Way and the Danville Area Community

Center building and planning committee and was a Fourth Degree Knight of Columbus. After receiving his doctorate in education from Penn State University, Dr. Ferrari moved to the Lehigh Valley to be a part of the executive staff at the Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit. Frank loved every aspect of education which helped propel him into the position of Executive Director CLIU from which he retired in 2006. Frank's career held many accolades and accomplishments.

After retirement, Frank moved back to his hometown of Mt. Carmel where he sat on several committees throughout the community. He tirelessly restored his 1800s home on Hickory & East Ave, feeding one of his passions of working with his hands. He was proud of his heritage and his PA Coal Region foundation.

In addition to working with his hands he spent free time gardening, "tinkering" and enjoying the outdoors. The woods, fields, and streams of the communities in which he lived played a huge role in Frank's life. He always had a hunting or fishing tale to tell. He taught his daughters and nephews how to hunt, fish and respect nature as he shared his passion for the outdoors.

Frank was most proud of his family; words cannot describe Frank's love for his wife and daughters. His life was blessed with a large extended family which he enjoyed numerous occasions to celebrate life and the blessing it brought to them. Frank was an amazing husband, father, grandfather, son, brother, uncle, and friend.

For those who knew Frank knew of his belly laughter, generosity, and his even temperament. He loved to laugh and crack a joke. There were always smiles when you were with him whether in the classroom, boardroom, or family event. He spread his vigor for life through laughter.

Frank is survived by his wife, daughters; DottieLynn Maierhofer, Lafayette, Colorado, Tim, Sondra Voss, Georgetown, South Carolina, Greg, Petrina Bartel, Conway, SC and Allanna Ferrari, Conway, SC, Kelley Green; and seven grandchildren Samantha Maierhofer, Matthew Maierhofer, Elizabeth Maierhofer, Madeleine Parker, Trip Parker, Avery Ferrari-Green and Brayden Ferrari-Green.

He leaves behind three sisters: Marion Zarko, Elysburg, PA, Sylvia Trione, Mt. Carmel, PA and Kathleen Hynoski, Elysburg, PA; his brothers-in-law, Peter Ondrasik and Charles Greco; and his sister-in-law, Kimberly Jepko along with numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was predeceased by his sister, Donna Ondrasik; brother-in-law, Stephen P. Jepko; and sister-in-law, Sandra Jepko Greco.

For friends of the family a Catholic Funeral Mass will be said at St. James Catholic Church in Conway at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, March 9, 2022 officiated by Rev. Oscar Borda. Goldfinch Funeral Home in Conway will be overseeing the arrangements. Final burial arrangements will be made by Lucas Funeral Home in Mt. Carmel, Pennsylvania. Visitation is planned for the evening of Friday, March 11, 2022, at Lucas Funeral Home. A Catholic Mass will be held at Divine Redeemer Catholic Church Saturday, March 12, 2022 followed by his burial at All Saints Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Avenue, Floor 17, Chicago, IL 60601 or via their website at <https://act.alz.org/donate>

Please sign the online guest register at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel, is serving the family.

Previous Events

Mass

MAR 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. James Catholic Church
1071 Academy Drive
Conway, SC 29526
<http://www.stjamesconway.org/>

Tribute Wall

MS

“ My family moved in next door to Frank's when we were in kindergarten. Frank, Bobby F, and Norman L and I played together in our back yards all through grade school. Frank was good at back yard football and little league baseball. We shared so many adventures together. Those are precious memories Frank helped me make. I was blessed to have him for a friend. He is missed.

Michael Sarisky - March 09, 2022 at 09:09 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Dr. Frank Ferrari.



March 07, 2022 at 08:53 AM

FD

“ Fred and Margaret DiRienzo purchased the Care and Compassion Spray for the family of Dr. Frank Ferrari.



Fred and Margaret DiRienzo - March 05, 2022 at 01:18 PM

BH

“ So many memories! Frank and Suz were the eternal couple. He was a dedicated educator. Rest in peace, Frank.

Barbara Hornberger - March 05, 2022 at 09:49 AM

BB

“ We are so sorry for the loss of Frank. You have our deepest sympathy. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.

Bob and Veronica Barrett - March 04, 2022 at 08:40 PM

DB

“ I will always remember Doc showing me how he made his family's "souples" and hung them to cure near the old coal shute! The recipe, of course, was the utmost secret! A kind soul who will be greatly missed by the Class of '64! From Diana (Robertson) Beaumont

Diana Beaumont - March 04, 2022 at 03:21 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. Frank Ferrari.

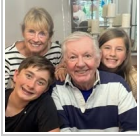


March 04, 2022 at 01:52 PM

CB

“ I remember a kind, funny, caring man who loved his girls and his wife so much.
I remember many family dinners spending hours listening to his stories that always made me laugh. I will always remember how much he enjoyed life.. it was truly a life well lived.
Rest in Peace my friend and God Bless the Ferrari Family

Carolyn Bartel - March 04, 2022 at 10:52 AM



“ *Charlie and I are so sorry to learn of Frank's passing. I will always remember his gentle manner. Please accept our most sincere sympathy. He will be in our thoughts and prayers. I know he was loved greatly by his family.*

Vi Karlow - March 04, 2022 at 09:21 AM

BB

Deepest sympathy to you and your family. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Bob & Veronica Barrett - March 04, 2022 at 08:35 PM

DB

“ *Suz: Our sincere condolences with the passing of a great man and the love of your life. Every time I look in our China closet, there is Frank's gift of that Bridy soda bottle he gave to me many visits ago. Best personal regards. Dick and Ginny Bridy*

Dick Bridy - March 04, 2022 at 09:20 AM

ER

“ *So very sorry about Frank. We remember him well when his girls and our girls were growing up in Riverside and attending St. Joe's. Hugs and peace to his wife and children.*

Ellen and Bob Ryan

Ellen and Bob Ryan - March 04, 2022 at 08:19 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. Frank Ferrari.



March 04, 2022 at 06:34 AM



“ Privileged to say we were friends “way back when” in MTC. and years later were reunited as he opened his home and heart to us in our visits back home. We loved his humor and his willingness and generosity to be there in any way he could be of help. The love for his dear Suz and daughters was supreme 💖 A good man, surely in the presence of the Lord 💖

Margaret Dirienzo - March 03, 2022 at 09:34 PM



“ What wonderful years as neighbors we shared; watching your girls and my boys grow up and what wonderful kids they are now and added grandchildren to the extended family scene. His laughter will truly be so missed by so many!
Heavenly wings shall take him home to a place of peace and joy!
Prayers to the family - we share your sorrow!
Love
Debbie and the Bausch Entourage of Riverside, PA

Deborah Kay Bausch - March 03, 2022 at 07:57 PM

DU

“ *Petrina & Family: My sincere sympathy to each of you. Although I never had the pleasure of meeting your Dad, he must have been an outstanding individual in today's world. His love of life and love for each of you will be with you forever. Petrina, my thoughts and prayers are with you all during this tremendous loss.*



Dolly Urdanick

Dolly Urdanick - March 03, 2022 at 07:18 PM