



## Manfred Mario Franz

December 8, 1949 - November 7, 2023

Myrtle Beach..... Manfred Mario Franz, age 73, passed away Tuesday, November 7, 2023.

Mr. Franz was born in Rijeka, Yugoslavia, a son of the late Johannes Erich and Amelia Paula Blecich Franz. He came to the United States with his parents in 1956. As a child and teenager he enjoyed sports, especially basketball, and loved music. After graduating Ball State University, he moved to Germany where he lived for 10 years. He traveled, sailed and skied his way through Europe. He loved telling stories about his adventures. When he moved back to the United States and started his career with Ryan's Steakhouse he met the love of his life. Mario loved spending time with his family, snow skiing, and boating, but his pride and joy was his granddaughter, Annaliese. Prior to retirement, he was the Owner and Operator of Ryan's Steakhouse in Summerville, SC.

Surviving are: his wife, Sarah O'Brien Franz of Myrtle Beach; one daughter, Jacqueline Amelia Daniels (Brad) of Myrtle Beach; one granddaughter, Annaliese Daniels; one sister, Sylvia Franz-Pappas (George) of Elkhart, Indiana; four brothers-in-law, William "Billy" O'Brien (Ashley) of Fayetteville, GA, John O'Brien (Marguerite) of Myrtle Beach, Thomas "Tom" O'Brien and Patrick O'Brien (Tanya) of Summerville, SC; one sister-in-law, Alice O'Brien of Columbia, several nieces, nephews, and cousins; and his little shadow,

Romeo.

A memorial service will be held at 6:00 PM Tuesday, November 14, 2023 from Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel with Dr. Freddie M. Young officiating.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 4:00 PM until 6:00 PM Tuesday, November 14, 2023.

Sign an online guestbook at [www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com](http://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com)

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **14.** 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel  
606-610 Beaty Street  
Conway, SC 29526

## Memorial Service

NOV **14.** 6:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *What an amazing guy. I have so many fond memories with him at Ryan's. He told him about skiing in the alps and said it was one of the prettiest places on the planet. I almost bought his black jeep. He was always so positive.*

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**Bob Moseley** - December 17, 2025 at 02:57 PM

JT

“ *Sarah, I ran I to your brother Bill and he told me about Mario. I was sorry to hear. He was a great boss to a young kid out of college in Warner Robins, GA.. To this day, I still tell people about him. I'm sorry for your loss.*

*Jay Taylor*

*JayTaylor0729@gmail.com*

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**Jay Taylor** - July 24, 2025 at 03:32 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Manfred Mario Franz.*

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November 13, 2023 at 11:54 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Manfred Mario Franz.*

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November 13, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Manfred Mario Franz.*



November 13, 2023 at 04:41 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Manfred Mario Franz.*



November 13, 2023 at 09:53 AM



“ *The DiSabato Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Manfred Mario Franz.*

**The DiSabato Family** - November 12, 2023 at 08:06 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Manfred Mario Franz.*



November 12, 2023 at 08:06 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Manfred Mario Franz.*



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November 12, 2023 at 04:51 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Manfred Mario Franz.*



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November 12, 2023 at 02:02 PM



“ *Mario played basketball with my dad Ulli in Germany. When my brother and me were teenagers he took us to see James Bond Movies and he also taught us some ski moves. He was our cool Uncle:-) he also was very influential for my humor :-) sending thoughts and prayers from Germany. Jens and family*

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**Jens Müller-Corbach** - November 12, 2023 at 12:14 PM



“ *Sending Condolences & Big Hugs-Sarah & Jaqueline, it was an Honor to have worked & enjoyed Mario as a Boss & Friend during our years at Ryan's. I'm sorry so much time passed before I had seen him since the old days... And just wanted to send all my blessings and regards. With much love... God Speed Mario. 🙏 Suzi Marvin & Family 🙏*



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**suzi marvin** - November 09, 2023 at 07:37 PM

SF

*Thank you Suzi.... Those were good years for us! Mario would be touched by the outpouring of love sent his way❤️*

Sarah Franz - November 10, 2023 at 07:28 AM

SM



suzi marvin - November 11, 2023 at 07:12 AM

TW

“ So sorry to here of your huge loss. I knew Freddy back when he lived on Simonton Lake, his sister was a sister to me, and you were the big brother I never had. You, Sylvia, Momma, and your Dad were my 2nd family. I love your family so much You will bed deeply missed by all. R.I.H. Freddy.

Teri and Rob Wargon - November 09, 2023 at 05:03 PM

SF

*Thank you Teri❤️ Mario always had such wonderful memories of growing up in Elkhart.... These last few years he loved sharing with us those memories.*

Sarah Franz - November 10, 2023 at 07:36 AM

BV

“ My prayers 🙏🙏🙏 and condolences go to you, sweet Sarah & sweet Jacqueline and the rest of your family, in IN & SC. May God give you the strength and guidance as you travel on your new journey. Love you all ❤️

Brenda Viers - November 09, 2023 at 03:55 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Manfred Mario Franz.



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November 09, 2023 at 03:37 PM



“ Rick and Marie Rarick planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Manfred Mario Franz.

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**Rick and Marie Rarick** - November 09, 2023 at 03:37 PM



“ Sarah and family I'm so sorry for the loss of Mario. He was a great boss and later both of you became good friends. RIP Super Mario

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**Sharon Seavey** - November 09, 2023 at 03:22 PM



“ I met you, Mario, 37 years ago when I first moved to Charleston & started working with Sylvia who became like a sister to me. You were like another big brother to me & always kind, funny & welcoming to me & my husband Bobby who also loved & admired you. We will miss you & think fondly of you always. See you in heaven!

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**Cheryl & Bob Clair** - November 09, 2023 at 01:13 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Manfred Mario Franz.*



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November 09, 2023 at 01:07 PM



“ *You, my big brother, will never be gone. You will always be in my heart . . . bigger than life itself. You and I shared many adventures together, lots of laughter, travels, tears and conversations. Your advice never steered me wrong and man could I use some of that advice now . . . how do I go on without my big brother? How do I go on without your late night phone calls or cheesy jokes you would text me? I know that as time moves forward I will hear your voice and advice in my heart and will thank you with a kiss blown to the stars. Rest in peace Freddy, I miss you with all my being.*

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**Sylvia Franz-Pappas** - November 09, 2023 at 10:13 AM