



## Ronald Felice

July 31, 1938 - May 18, 2013

### Murrells Inlet

Ronald Amerigo Felice, 74, of Murrells Inlet, SC, died Saturday May 18th, 2013.

He was born to the late John and Elsie (Sapian) Felice, July 31st, 1938, in Detroit, MI. Ron graduated from St. Vincent DePaul High School in 1956. Ron graduated from Officers Candidate School and joined the Navy in 1961. He retired in 1988, with the rank of Commander, after 27 years of faithful active and reserve service. Ron received a BA in Communications from the University of Detroit in 1961. He married Marietta Monge in 1967, and they lived together in Mt. Clemens, MI before relocating to Murrells Inlet, SC in 2005.

Ron worked in various capacities including communications, human resources and project management during his professional career at corporations such as Chrysler and General Dynamics. He retired in 1993. From 1961 - 1964, while in the US Navy, Ron was deployed on the USS Constellation in Brooklyn and later the Pacific region during the Viet Nam conflict. He was a proud "plank owner" of the USS Constellation, a member of the very first crew to serve on the vessel. Ron's passion for the US Navy beyond retirement was exemplified by his active involvement in the USS Constellation CVA/CV64

Association, an alumni organization for those who served aboard the "Connie". He was editor of the group newsletter, Starscope, from 2001 to 2012.

Ron was a trained operatic tenor and music played a vital role in his life. He was cantor at St. Louis Catholic Church in Mt. Clemens, MI and an active member of the choir at St. Hubert's Catholic Church also in Mt. Clemens. His vocal talents afforded him the opportunity to sing at the Papal Mass for Pope John Paul II at the Pontiac Silverdome on September 19, 1987. Ron sang the National Anthem on numerous occasions in front of tens of thousands of spectators at Detroit-area sporting events including Detroit Tigers baseball games and Detroit Lions football games.

Ron is survived by his wife, Marietta(Monge) Felice; two sons Ron and wife Faith of Mt. Clemens, MI, Mark and wife Gina of Cary, NC; two sisters, Gloria Demko of Strongsville, OH and Norma Jean Philp of Harper Woods, MI; four grandchildren, Nicholas, Leanee, Jake and Vincent; two great granddaughters, Layla and Isabel.

Ron is pre-deceased by his parents John and Elsie and his brother Alfred.

A visitation will be held on Tuesday, May 21, 2013 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. with a prayer service at 6:30 at the Goldfinch Funeral Home Beach Chapel. A memorial mass will be held at St. Michael Catholic Church in Garden City at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 22 with inurnment immediately following.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are welcome to the Medical University of South Carolina, Murray Center for Research on Parkinson's Disease (<https://netcommunity.musc.edu/NetCommunity/SSLPage.aspx?pid=190>).

Sign an online guest book at [www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com/obituaries](http://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com/obituaries)

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

# Previous Events

## Service

MAY **21**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM.

St. Michael Catholic Church

## Visitation

MAY **21**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Celebration Center

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# Tribute Wall

JB

“ I am so sorry for your loss. May the outpouring of sympathy, the kind acts of friends and strangers, as well as your memories give you comfort to help you endure the days ahead. The Bible also offers comfort. “For God is near to those broken at heart. “ Ps 34:17,18. Our Creator promises that there will soon be a time when “death will be no more.” Revelation 21:4

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**J. Bell** - May 30, 2013 at 06:43 PM

MF

“ Vincent Louis Bertolini-felice was added to the Family Tree.

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**Mark Felice** - May 27, 2013 at 03:06 PM

MF

“ Jake Andrew Bertolini-felice was added to the Family Tree.

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**Mark Felice** - May 27, 2013 at 03:05 PM

NF

“ Nannu, you are still very much alive within me. I have thought of you daily for quite some time, and this has only intensified that for me. I love you SO much. I will forever be reminded of your wisdom and love throughout all of the years I have ahead of me. Thank you for everything. Come visit my dreams anytime, I will always be eager to see you. Until we meet again, goodbye Nannu.

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**Nick Felice** - May 24, 2013 at 08:22 PM

RA

“ *Marrietta, We are sorry for your loss. We will surely miss Ron at Atalaya Towers. He was*

*always upbeat and cheerful.*

*Doris and Dick*

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**Richard and Doris Alexander** - May 24, 2013 at 07:34 PM

TM

“ *Uncle Ron you will be missed. We were all lucky to have had you in our lives.*

*Whenever I hear the national anthem I think of you.*

*Tim*

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**Tim Max** - May 23, 2013 at 10:20 PM

JM

“ *The Monge Family sends their condolences. I will always remember his booming voice, perfectly trimmed beard, exceeding love for his family, and overall humor. We missed out on several years, but it was great to get to know him again these recent years. We'll be praying for your family as you grieve.*

*-Jeff and Kristin Monge*

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**Jeff Monge** - May 22, 2013 at 08:51 PM

HI

“*Marietta, I just received the news from Paul. It deeply saddens me, may Gods peace and comfort lighten your pain and loss. I enjoyed meeting with you at the Connie reunions and I have very fond memories of you and Ron. Your dedication and hard work was recognized by many, I am a better person for having known you. My deepest sympathy, Hildegard Heaney with Paul McGehee.*

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**hildegard** - May 22, 2013 at 01:05 PM

J3

“*Marietta and sons, Joe and I are so sorry for your loss. Ron was a kind, gentle man. I tried to sit near him in church to hear him sing. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Joe and Marylou Bokol (atl 304)** - May 22, 2013 at 09:25 AM

 Shirley  
Brown

“*To the Felice Family:*

*May you be continually comforted by pleasant thoughts of happier times together. And may the “peace of God that excels all thought”, sustain you. (Philippians 4:7)*

*My condolences,  
SBA.*

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**Shirley Brown** - May 21, 2013 at 03:46 PM

ML

“*Our deepest sympathy. Thoughts and prayer for the Felice family.  
-Maurice and Martina Labiche, Cary*

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**Martina Labiche** - May 21, 2013 at 09:39 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Ronald Felice.*



May 21, 2013 at 08:28 AM



“ *I love you Dad and I miss you. You set an example for all of us.*

**Ron Felice** - May 20, 2013 at 10:10 PM



*I am so sorry to hear about Ron. I was his caregiver for a couple of months and thought he was a wonderful person. My thoughts go out to his family and friends.*

**Darvin Grover** - May 21, 2013 at 12:27 AM



*Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family.*

**Steve and Tricia Pfannes** - May 21, 2013 at 05:09 AM



*Our thoughts and prayers are with the Felice Family.*

*-Steve and Charlie*

**Steven Ciecko** - May 21, 2013 at 07:50 AM



*We are so sorry for your loss of a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, friend, and man. Our thoughts, prayers, and love are with the Felice Family.*

*Bob and Kathy Anderson*

**Bob and Kathy Anderson** - May 21, 2013 at 10:43 AM

TB

*To our fellow plank owner, shipmate, USS Constellation Associate and dear friend. We will miss you greatly. May you have Calm Seas and a Following Wind, May a choir of Angels bring you into paradise,*

*Tom and Betty Bell*

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**Tom Bell** - May 21, 2013 at 11:53 AM



*I never got to meet Ron...I wish I had...I know that my wife TJ certainly thought a lot of him & I guess maybe I got to know him a little through her & for that,i'm thankful....Marietta,you are in our thoughts & prayers,God Bless,Bob Poole,Myrtle Beach,SC*

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**Bob Poole** - May 21, 2013 at 04:00 PM

LP

*Ron will be greatly missed by his Connie Family. Fair winds and a following sea. Ross and Linda*

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**linda Purcell** - May 22, 2013 at 06:51 PM