



## Cosimo Franchini

September 2, 1938 - February 10, 2022

Castleton- On February 10, 2022, Cosimo Franchini rose peacefully to his place in Heaven next to Glenda, his beautiful wife of 59 years. Born in Monopoli, Italy, on September 2, 1938, Cosimo floated across the ocean in 1949 to join his family in America. Knowing only two words of English, Cosimo was greeted by his oldest brother Joe and was quickly treated to his first American staple: a hot dog. Cosimo, who is the son of the late Marino and Annunziata Franchini, grew up in Albany, became a naturalized citizen, and married Glenda on November 11, 1961.

After serving in the United States Army, Cosimo began his career sheet-rocking, taping, and painting with Franchini Brothers. In 1983, Cosimo continued his trades as a carpenter at the Capital District Psychiatric Center where he eventually became the Plant Superintendent.

After retirement, Cosimo enjoyed spending time with the CDPC breakfast club where they would swap old stories and talk about their families as he would hand out lottery tickets to everyone. Cosimo also loved spending time with his extended family during regular breakfast dates- swapping stories of Italy, laughing, telling jokes about each other, and of course handing out lottery tickets.

Even after he was unable to make it out of the house, his family always

brought a smile to his face when they visited. He loved Marino, Rose, and Pasquale for all their visits, their company, their food, but most of all their stories and when they needed a lesson, he always told them- "Listen to me". "Listen to me" was what his son Joseph always heard while working with his father for over 40 years and Joseph is so thankful, he listened as his success in life is credited to his father- his best friend, the wisest and most caring person.

Cosimo and Glenda are now reunited as soulmates and with their best friends, his sister Joanna and her husband Chuck. They are dancing together again to Engelbert Humperdink, Tom Jones, and Eddie Arnold.

Outside of being with family, Cosimo enjoyed going to the opera and working on projects on his and on everyone's home. His most precious time was spent going to the seafood festival in New Hampshire, walking along the beach with Glenda as well as trips to Lake Placid and Vermont.

Papa will be greatly missed by his four granddaughters, Rhianna, Rachael, Meredith, and Sarah who will always treasure their fun conversations, history lessons and his never-ending support and encouragement to be the best they can be. They fondly remember their birthday shopping trips and their Papa going to all their games, concerts, and recitals.

His son Joseph will always treasure eating breakfast at the Viking Dairy Bar before long workdays and picking up a Sicilian pizza at Gina's after finishing late at night. Especially during the past five years, Cosimo has continued teaching his son how to appreciate every breath of life, how to fight for every step you take, how to be strong no matter what life throws at you, and most important- how to listen. Thank You Dad.

One of Cosimo's requests before passing is that he wishes everyone to know

how much he appreciated the care and compassion given to him by his daughter-in-law Barbara. He looked forward to and cherished their breakfast conversations and how she always made him laugh and gave him hope.

Cosimo joins his wife, Glenda; brothers Joseph, Lawrence, Gino; sisters Antoinette, Yolanda, Joanna in eternal life.

Cosimo is survived by his daughter Annette (Eric), son Joseph (Barbara), and granddaughters Rhianna, Rachael, Meredith, and Sarah, and sister Theresa.

The family would like to thank Richard for the care and kindness shown to both Cosimo and Glenda. We also thank the wonderful nurses from the Eddy and Joe, Grace, Mary Beth and Jamie from Community Hospice.

In lieu of flowers please consider sending a contribution in Cosimo's memory to:

The Community Hospice Foundation 310 S. Manning Blvd. Albany, NY 12208.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Cosimo's family Tuesday, February 15, 2022, at Lasak & Gigliotti Funeral Directors, 208 N. Allen St., Albany, NY 12206 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Please only enter through the rear parking lot doorway. Unvaccinated individuals must wear a mask and social distance.

Funeral Services will be held Wednesday, February 16, 2022, at Sacred Heart Church 3 Catholic Way Castleton, NY 12033 at 10:00 am where his funeral Mass will be celebrated.

The Rite of Committal will be in Calvary Cemetery, Glenmont, NY immediately following the Mass.

To leave a message for the family or view other helpful services please visit [www.lgfuneralhome.com](http://www.lgfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

481 Route 9W  
Glenmont, NY

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **15**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Lasak & Gigliotti Funeral Directors  
208 North Allen Street  
Albany, NY 12206  
(518) 463-1566

## Service

FEB **16**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart Church  
3 Catholic Way  
Castle-On-Hudson, NY

# Tribute Wall



“ *Lasak & Gigliotti Funeral Directors created a Tribute Video in memory of Cosimo Franchini*



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**Lasak & Gigliotti Funeral Directors** - February 15, 2022 at 01:02 PM

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“ *All God's blessings at this very sad time. Love cousins Mimi , Gino & Tony Franchini*

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**Mimi Gino & Tony Franchini** - February 24, 2022 at 08:23 PM

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“ *Annette, please accept my deepest condolences. May your father's memory always be a blessing to you.*  
*AudreySeidman*

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**Audrey Seidman** - February 15, 2022 at 09:16 PM

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“ *I bowled with Cosimo for many years. He was a great guy. I remember fondly his bottles of homemade wine especially the bottle (it may have been his last) with label showing his journey from Monopoli to Albany.*

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**Brien Downes** - February 15, 2022 at 08:41 AM

MC

“ Joe, I am so sorry for your loss. I know how hard it is to lose a parent. You were and are a wonderful son to both of your parents. You and Barbara are two wonderful caregivers. Treasure your memories and take solace in the fact that your Dad is at peace and reunited with your Mom.

*Mary Callaghan*

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**Mary Callaghan** - February 14, 2022 at 08:56 AM