



Francis (Frank) Picciano

October 31, 1928 - September 7, 2024

Francis (Frank) Picciano, 95, passed away peacefully on Friday, September 7, 2024.

Always smiling, with an infectious laugh, Frank was better known as “Buck” to so many people throughout his life who knew and loved him.

Buck was born in Mahanoy City, Pennsylvania, the youngest of eight children of the late Henry and Lena Picciano. After graduating from high school, he enlisted in the U.S. Army and was stationed in Korea. Following his honorable discharge, he returned to Mahanoy City where he met, and eventually married, Theresa “Skip” Klein. They moved to Manville, New Jersey in 1956 and remained there, raising their family.

Buck was employed as a Store Manager for Acme Supermarkets, providing loyal service for over 31 years until his retirement at the age of 55. In his retirement, Buck enjoyed traveling with his wife, golfing, fishing, exercising and spending quality time with his family and friends.

Buck was an active member of Christ the King Roman Catholic Church (Christ the Redeemer Parish) in Manville, NJ, volunteering on the Altar Rosary Society and contributing for many years to the Parish annual festival and children’s toy drives.

In addition to his parents, Buck is predeceased by his wife Skip in 2017 and his brothers Joe, Larry, Arthur, Ray, and Louis, and by his sister Eleanor Sheehan. He is survived by his sister Mary Risavy, his two loving daughters Marie Scott and Wayne Denkins of Atco, NJ and Linda Crowell and her husband Bill of Green Brook, NJ. He is also survived by his five cherished grandchildren Kevin Scott and his wife Beth, Brian Scott and his wife Gayle, Cheryl Scott, Gina Crowell and Jessie Crowell and by his six great-grandchildren Samantha, Ben, Emily, Laney, Noah and Katie.

Marie and Linda extend their heartfelt thanks and gratitude to Norma Antonio, who not only provided the best of care and compassion to “Mr. Buck” for two years, but became a cherished friend as well.

The Funeral will be on Monday, September 16, 2024 with a 9:00 AM Mass at Christ the Redeemer Parish (Sacred Heart Church) in Manville, NJ., followed by a committal service at St. Bernards Cemetery Mausoleum, Bridgewater, NJ. Arrangements are under the direction of the Ketusky Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his memory to : The Adult Day Center of Somerset County, 872 East Main Street Bridgewater, NJ 08807, Phone (908) 725-0068.

Cemetery Details

St. Bernard Cemetery

551 State Route 28
Bridgewater, NJ 08807

Previous Events

Mass

SEP **16.** 9:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church
98 South Second Ave.
Manville, NJ 08835

Tribute Wall

MC

“ Bucky was one of the family. I have known him my whole entire life. He treated me as if I was one of his own grandchildren.

Out of all my grandparents' neighbors, I felt the closest to Bucky. I will remember all the times when Bucky tagged along with Pop when dropping and picking up in Plainfield. I will also never forget when we were moving to Long Island when I was six years old, Bucky drove with us in a separate car to help us with our move. He transported our cat, Alex, and other luggage. Poor Bucky had to listen to our cat meow the whole entire ride.

Bucky always made me feel loved and cherished, just by the way his eyes and smile sparkled, just like Pop's, when we greeted each other. I will have the childhood memory of being excited to see him across the street and yell, "Hi Bucky!" I can still hear him cheer, "Hi Megan!" back to me. He was always involved in our family celebrations at Grandma's and Pop's house. He was part of our family.

I loved Bucky as he was my own grandfather. He will be missed and will always hold a special place in my heart.

Megan Cahill-Assenza - September 18, 2024 at 01:05 PM

JF

“ I am so sorry to hear of Buck's passing. He was a wonderful neighbor who will be missed.

Josephine Fendt - September 16, 2024 at 07:57 PM

JF

“ Bucky was my neighbor growing up and truly the sweetest man ever. I'm so sorry for your loss, and he will always be remembered!
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Julie Fendt - September 16, 2024 at 07:48 PM

LS

“ Love, the Sheehan's planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Francis (Frank) Picciano.

Love, the Sheehan's - September 14, 2024 at 05:10 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Francis (Frank) Picciano.



September 14, 2024 at 05:10 PM

JK

“ Dear Marie, Linda & Family
Please accept my deepest condolences on the loss of your father. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Cherish the wonderful memories you have and his spirit will always be alive!
May he rest in peace!
JoAnn (Fatula) Kostecky



JoAnn Kostecky - September 13, 2024 at 08:54 AM

MS

“ *Such a warm and wonderful man. Knew Mr. Picciano from the Bank in Manville. What a great laugh and smile!*

Mary Ann Stankovich - September 12, 2024 at 03:51 PM

MF

“ *My condolences to the family. Mr. Picciano was a very kind man. Always had a smile and liked to talk. Heaven gained a new angel.*

Mark Franzoso - September 11, 2024 at 07:07 PM

BP

“ *Bob and Sherry Picciano planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Francis (Frank) Picciano.*

Bob and Sherry Picciano - September 11, 2024 at 06:20 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Francis (Frank) Picciano.*



September 11, 2024 at 06:20 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Francis (Frank) Picciano.*



September 11, 2024 at 12:43 PM

TS

“ *The Cahill Sisters planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Francis (Frank) Picciano.*

The Cahill Sisters - September 11, 2024 at 12:05 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Francis (Frank) Picciano.*



September 11, 2024 at 12:05 PM

CC

“ *Cheryl C. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Francis (Frank) Picciano.*

Cheryl C. - September 11, 2024 at 09:52 AM

PS

“ *Dear Linda, Marie and family,
We are all so sorry for the loss of your Dad, and grandfather. Family get togethers and holidays we've shared will never feel the same. Buck always made us feel like family, I hope he felt like part of ours.
Love, Patty, Billy and family*

patricia smith - September 11, 2024 at 09:34 AM