

Franklin Lee Varano

July 3, 1948 - March 17, 2024

Franklin Lee “Frank” Lee Varano, 75, went to be with his Lord and Savior on Sunday, March 17, 2024. Born in Lake Lynn, Pa. on July 3, 1948, he was a son of the late Gaetano “Guy” and Alberta “Bertie” Ruble Varano.

Frank was an avid hunter, fisherman and loved classic cars and western movies. He was previously employed by WVU Hospital Morgantown, WV where he also volunteered to dress as Santa to visit the sick children on the Children’s ward at Christmas time. Frank volunteered as a police officer to help keep the residents of Point Marion safe during the strike in the 1980’s. Left to cherish his memory is his wife of 56 years, Mary Catherine (Wolverton) Varano; his six children and their spouses, Monica & John Wyland of Warner Robins, GA, Jonathan & Erin of Shoaf, PA, Henry and fiancée Judy Cleaver (who was also Frank’s caretaker) of Point Marion, PA, Helen & Michael Duranko, of Greensboro PA, Neoka & David Settie of Uniontown, PA, and Yancy Varano of Uniontown, PA. Also 16 grandchildren; Derick, Brandon, Shawn, James, Zachary, Kortnei, Shannon, Damien, Lytisha, Watowna, Brook, Heidi, Hannah, Meghan, David (DJ), Lilliana, 15 great grandchildren and two step-grandchildren; a brother Patsy Varano, four sisters Theresa Bankhead, Rose Mary Willard, Angela Baker, Vicky Leonard; a number of nieces and nephews; and his beloved pug, Gabby, who was his constant companion who never left his side.

He was preceded in death by his brother Guy Russell Varano, sister Joan Ruble Smitley, and a very special nephew, Richie Ruble.

His family will receive friends in the Richard R. Herod Funeral Home, Point Marion, on Friday from 2 – 4 and 6 – 8 PM. Funeral services begin at 8:00 PM in the funeral home with Steve Baker officiating.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 22. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Herod-Rishel Funeral Home
501 Morgantown Street
Point Marion, PA 15474
(724) 725-5245
rishel@atlanticbb.net
<https://www.herod-rishel.com>

Visitation

MAR 22. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Carol Rice Sine lit a candle in memory of Franklin Lee Varano*



Carol Rice Sine - May 12, 2024 at 02:28 PM

SL

“ *Sue Furnier Longee lit a candle in memory of Franklin Lee Varano*



Sue Furnier Longee - April 16, 2024 at 03:50 PM

YA

“ *4 files added to the tribute wall*



YANCY - March 22, 2024 at 10:03 AM

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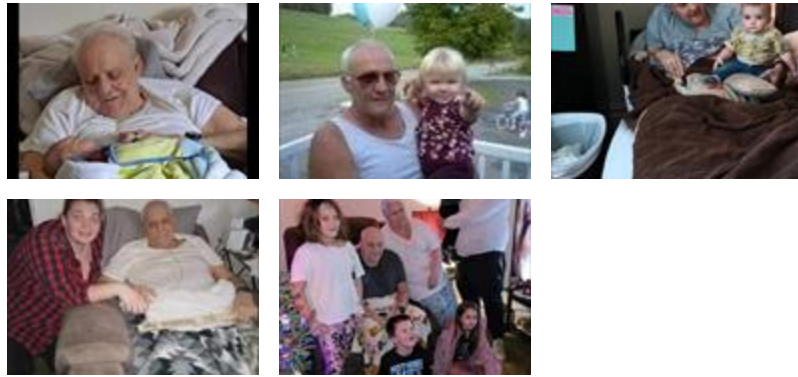
“ Carol Sine lit a candle in memory of Franklin Lee Varano



Carol Sine - March 22, 2024 at 04:26 AM

YA

“ 6 files added to the tribute wall



YANCY - March 22, 2024 at 12:20 AM



“ 3 files added to the album Dad



Monica Wyland - March 21, 2024 at 11:59 PM

TM

“ Prayers to Franks family love Toni and Bob McClain



Toni mcclain - March 20, 2024 at 06:31 PM

YA

“ Dad.. im gonna miss you... know I love you!



YANCY - March 20, 2024 at 01:55 PM

DH

“ Debbie And Harry Horwalt lit a candle in memory of Franklin Lee Varano



Debbie and Harry Horwalt - March 19, 2024 at 06:21 PM

KK

“ Kristen E Kostandinu lit a candle in memory of Franklin Lee Varano



kristen e kostandinu - March 19, 2024 at 11:04 AM

TJ

“ *Tammy Johnson lit a candle in memory of Franklin Lee Varano*



Tammy Johnson - March 18, 2024 at 11:16 PM

BB

Mary, you and your family have my deepest sympathy. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Love to you all. Brenda Brewer

Brenda Brewer - March 19, 2024 at 08:47 AM