



Francis Dominic DeFrancis

May 17, 1931 - March 11, 2015

Francis “Frank” Dominic DeFrancis, 83, of Urbana, died on March 11, 2015 in Mercy McAuley Center, Urbana.

Born on May 17, 1931 in Madrid, Spain, he was the son of Dominic and Mary (Strapp) DeFrancis. “Paquito,” as he was then called, lived with his family in Spain, Portugal, and Cuba before returning to Urbana, where he attended St. Mary’s High School. He graduated summa cum laude from Xavier University, served as a US Navy Supply Officer at the conclusion of the Korean War, and subsequently earned an M.B.A. at Wharton and J.D. at Salmon Chase College of Law. His business ventures varied widely over many years before he settled once again in Urbana.

He is survived by five children, Elizabeth Allen, Dominic DeFrancis, Anne Piatka, Susan Lowder, and Victor DeFrancis, his former spouse Dolores DeFrancis, and his brother Anthony DeFrancis. He was preceded in death by his parents, his sisters Elizabeth Lebkisher and Margaret “Nina” Mortensen, and his close friend, Debra Thomas.

Family will receive friends at 9 a.m. on Monday, March 16, 2015 in the WALTER & SMITH FUNERAL HOME, Urbana. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday in St. Mary Catholic Church, Urbana, with Father Larry Gearhart, celebrant. Burial will follow in Oak Dale Cemetery, Urbana.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mercy McAuley Center, 906 Scioto St., Urbana, OH 43078.

Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.walterfunerals.com.

Cemetery Details

Oak Dale Cemetery

319 Patrick Avenue
Urbana, OH 43078

Previous Events

Visitation

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

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Mass of Christian Burial

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

St. Mary Catholic Church
231 Washington Ave.
Urbana, OH

Tribute Wall

LB

“ Love Karina, Jeff, Clayton and Brandy purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Francis Dominic DeFrancis.



Love Karina, Jeff, Clayton and Brandy - March 15, 2015 at 10:56 PM



“ Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Francis Dominic DeFrancis.



March 14, 2015 at 05:24 PM

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“ Friends at Sapa Extrusions North America purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Francis Dominic DeFrancis.



Friends at Sapa Extrusions North America - March 14, 2015 at 07:14 AM

GS

“ Gertrud E. Smiley purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Francis Dominic DeFrancis.



Gertrud E. Smiley - March 13, 2015 at 03:16 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Francis Dominic DeFrancis.



March 12, 2015 at 08:51 PM

JC

“ Jonna Carney sent a virtual gift in memory of Francis Dominic DeFrancis



Jonna Carney - March 12, 2015 at 07:53 PM