



## Frank J. Scattaglia

October 28, 1922 - September 4, 2015

Frank J. Scattaglia aka Mr. Figs

"Never give up"

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Frank J. Scattaglia, lovingly known as Mr. Figs, passed peacefully in his home on September 4th, 2015.

A loving husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather, Frank was at his happiest enjoying family time, tending to his garden, trout fishing and riding in the San Fernando Valley Veterans Day Parade every year since its inception. He was especially proud when he was selected as Honorary Grand Marshal in 2012.

Born on October 28, 1922, in East Los Angeles, Frank grew up working with

his father in the produce business, traveling to the Imperial Valley and Lake Elsinore regions to collect a variety of fruits and vegetables to sell at local street markets until joining the United States Navy in 1942.

Frank served the country as a Chief Petty Officer during World War II on the U.S.S. Saratoga. His accolades include surviving an attack by Japanese suicide bomber planes, nearly sinking his ship, during the battle of Iwo Jima.

After serving his country in the United States Navy, he worked and retired from Von's supermarkets where he worked as a produce manager.

Frank's love for produce did not end there. He returned to his produce roots owning and operating a family business growing and harvesting figs, earning him the nickname Mr. Figs. Frank's figs were packed and sold to Von's markets and were even featured in the Olympic Village at the 1984 Olympic Games.

Frank was preceded in death by his first wife, Angelina Scattaglia and is survived by his second wife, Theresa Scattaglia, son Vito Scattaglia, daughter Diane Chaney, grandchildren Tony, Kari, Trisha, Billy, Michelle, great grandchildren Talon, Joseph, Michael, Benjamin, Thomas, John, and Jack, and sisters, Mary Rubino and Connie Simplicio.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the World War II Veterans support group, The Fisherhouse, at <https://www.fisherhouse.org/> or by phone at (888) 294-8560.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Frank J. Scattaglia*

October 07, 2023 at 09:33 AM



“ *Frank J. Scattaglia*

October 05, 2023 at 03:41 PM



“ *I remember being at Frank's beach house in Ventura. It was good times being with Frank and talking about life. We spent time in the backyard pulling weeds and just talking about things. Frank was pretty serious, but he also had a wonderful sense of humor and a great laugh.*

*My heart goes out to Franks family.  
May you rest in peace Frank.*

**Fredrick Mortimer - Canyon Country, CA - Friend** - September 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *May our Heavenly Father give you strength and bless you with peace during this difficult time. ( Psalms 29:11)*

**A friend** - September 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ Every time I saw your Dad, I was amazed at his shoes. He always wore the BEST shoes! My heartfelt prayers to you Diane and to your entire family. I wish I could be with you this weekend. Your Dad may no longer be here with your family, but you will always have your memories....

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**Ricki Colvin - henderson, NV - friend of Frank's daughter Diane** - September 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ Mom, I always loved this picture of you and Frank because it represented to me the 20+ years you two had together and the toast we had that night in the hotel room with the Dom Perignon. We're all going to miss him sooooooo much.  
xo xo xo - Nancy

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**Nancy Van Duyne - Wilmington, IL - Favorite Step-Daughter** - September 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Rest in peace Frankie, this is how I will always remember you and the times we shared together out in your garden making the figs grow. Your attitude towards life and all the things you impressed on me are something I hope I can carry on into future generations. Frankie's favorite motto he would always say to me was "you gotta wanna" and it is something I'll never forget. Thanks for everything you ever did for me Grandpa, it was an honor to have you in my life but I'm sure the wine is much sweeter in Heaven!

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**John Van Duyne - Wilmington, IL - Grandson of the Heart** - September 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ Frank was someone that always had a smile and made me feel special. As a child I would go with my dad Mike Modugno and enjoy his delicious figs. When we moved to Sylmar and I changed schools I was able to get to know Frank and Angie better because I became closer to Diane. Frank will be missed but his spirit lives on. Xoxoxo.

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**Colleen Pinoski - Santa Clarita, CA - Cousin** - September 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ Kari and the Scattaglia family,  
We send our condolences and prayers for your family during this time. We pray for God's arms to wrap you all in his loving care to help you during this time of sadness. We send our love. Uncle John, Aunt Cynthia, and cousin Chelsea and Ashley Daniels

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**Cynthia Daniels - Kennesaw, GA - Kari's Aunt** - September 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ So sorry for your loss, I loved see you all every year at the veterans parade , may Frank rest in peace and may our Lord keep you all strong at this difficult time.

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**Molly Rodriguez** - September 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Dear Vito, Tony, and Kari,  
Our hearts go out to you and your family during this difficult time. Rest assured that Frank is no longer suffering and is resting comfortably next to our Lord Jesus Christ. I remember as a kid, playing with Tony, Frank was always so kind to us. He always had a gentle heart and was always smiling...especially when he said hello to my family from across the street.

Vito, you're not only my friend, but also a father figure to me...you're my family. After losing Elsi to cancer in July, Erick and I can truly say we know exactly what you're going through. We love you Vito, and we will always be here for you and your family.

May God give you strength, peace, and love in the days to come. Trust in Him, and He will help you through this.

God Bless

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**Jinio & Erick Martinez - Sylmar, CA - Family Friends** - September 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM