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Carmelo Fragale, 88, passed away peacefully July 5, 2011 in Orange, Virginia. Carmine was born in Sicily on January 4, 1923, the son of John and Elsie Fragale. His family immigrated to the United States when he was a boy. He spent his early years in the New York City area. He enlisted in the Army and served the United States military during World War II. He worked and was as a business owner in Queens, New York for many years before moving to Virginia. During his years in Virginia he was the co-owner of Carvel Ice Cream, co-owner of Tubby's Restaurant and owned Chubby's Restaurant. Carmine and his wife later retired to Fort Myers, FL where they enjoyed time with family and friends. After the passing of his wife he later returned to Virginia where he spent the remainder of his years. He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers and a sister; and his loving wife Palma. Carmine is survived by his three children, Phyllis Lamb with life partner David Chewning of Louisa, Virginia, John Fragale and his wife Susan of Charlottesville, Virginia, and Josephine Ward with life partner Jeff Walker of Ruckersville, Virginia. He is also survived by his six grandchildren Shawn P. Lamb, Dana M. Lamb, Danielle Fragale, Kristen Fragale, Jonathon Thomas Fragale and Jesse Ward Lamm; and four great-grandchildren. There will be a graveside service Monday, July 11, 2011 at 10:00 am at Fort Myers Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the American Heart Association either online or by mail; [www.americanheart.org](http://www.americanheart.org) or 3025 Berkmar Dr. Charlottesville, Virginia 22901. Arrangements are being handled by Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Funeral Home. Condolences may be left at [www.fortmyersmemorial.com](http://www.fortmyersmemorial.com)



# Tribute Wall

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**Joan Faye Yee Talty** posted:

Dear Phyllis, John and Josephine, My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. Uncle Carmine and your mother were kind and thoughtful god parents to me. I will always remember them. In my heart I know your mom and dad are together now and that is some consolation. I have fond memories of them that will always be a part of me. I wish you all well and hope we will keep in touch. Love Always, Joan Faye

July 8 at 2:17 PM



**Ed Skala** posted:

Dear Phyllis, Josephine, and John, I'm so sorry for the passing of your father. I know it's always hard to lose a parent. I remember your parents fondly from the old days on Hyman Avenue. I just wanted you to know I'm thinking of you at this difficult time. My thoughts and prayers go out to you and your families. Sincerely, Ed Skala

July 8 at 12:11 PM



**Richard & Dee** posted:

Jo, Phyllis, John & family, So sorry for the loss of your Dad....he was a great guy and we are so privileged to have gotten to know him...he will always have a special place in our hearts. We send our thoughts, prayers and love to each and everyone of you. Love & Prayers, Richard & Dee

July 7 at 4:42 PM



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July 7 at 4:40 PM



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**Lisa Santamarina** posted:

My dearest Phyllis, John & Jo, I was so sorry to hear about your father's passing. I know we never lose the people we love. They live the rest of our lives with us in our heart. As you know, Uncle Carmine played a significant role in my early childhood. The memories of Carmine dressing up as Santa on Christmas Eve at Grandma's house, picking me up on Friday's in the summer to spend the weekend on Long Island, swimming in the pool, summers in VA and his teasing me by calling me "Liza" will always be with me. When the people we love become memories, the memories become treasures because they are all we have. I'm glad I had the opportunity to see him at Jesse's wedding. I love you all more than you know. I hope there will be a day soon when we are all smiling together. All my love, Lisa

July 7 at 9:18 AM

KC

**Kurt And Laura Chewing** posted:

Phyllis and family, We are so sorry for your loss and will keep you in our thoughts and prayers. We always enjoyed visiting with your Dad. He was such a fun guy. Take Care, Kurt, Laura & Jesse Chewing

July 6 at 6:43 PM

CF

**Catherine Funk** posted:

I have many special memories ...he will be missed by so many that loved him.. his humor and love will be in my heart forever.. glad I had the chance to spend time with him in the last two years.. 88 years of age.. not bad he had a great run.. may he rest in peace now with his love one.. xoxo thanks for the special memories that will last a life time.. love cathalina..xoxo

July 6 at 6:06 PM

GH

**Gary And Jackie Houchens** posted:

Phyllis, Joe, and John, We are so sorry for the loss of your father, Carmelo. We absolutely cherish all the fond memories of the many family and Christmas gatherings that our families spent together with your father, and your mother. Love, love, loved those Italian dinners and years of fellowship that we all shared. Your father was a wonderful man, and we will all miss Mr. Fragale. You and your families are on our hearts and in our prayers. We love you all so much! With Deepest Sympathy, Gary & Jackie Houchens

July 6 at 6:04 PM



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