



## Francis "Frank" DeFelice

October 23, 1947 - January 6, 2021

Francis "Frank" M. DeFelice, Sr., 73, of Cromwell, passed away Wednesday (January 6, 2021) at Hartford Hospital. A native and longtime New Britain resident, he lived in Cromwell since 2005. Frank was a graduate of New Britain High School, Class of 1965 and was a US Army veteran. Frank served with the New Britain Police Department for 30 years, retiring as Detective Sergeant. He also worked part time as a mechanic at Hank's Automotive and Beckman's Garage; was a Substitute Teacher at E.C. Goodwin Technical School and was a Judicial Marshal for the Hartford Lockup. He also ran the New Britain Clock Repair Service for many years. He loved cooking and also worked for Kensington Market's Catering service. Frank was a member of St. Joseph Church of the Divine Providence Parish in New Britain; The Generale Ameglio Italian Civic Association; the Italian Fraternal Society; the Austrian Donau Club; the Northwest Veterans TGM Post; the "Good Ole Boys" Club; and the Portalana Club in Hartford.

Frank is survived by his three daughters, Marjorie Aucoin and her companion Francis Keating of Kensington; Catherine Lentini and her husband Kiley Palmer of Southington; and Audra Casella and her husband Dean Casella Sr. of Marlborough; his Fiancee, Pamela (Brown) Bonney-Wikiera of Cromwell; a step daughter, Meghan Bonney of Portland; a brother, Santo DeFelice Jr. and his wife Lyne of Bristol; 8 grandchildren, Tyler (Sara) Lentini, Mallorie (Guy) Ferrelli, Kyle (Rachel) Lentini, Christopher (Jessica) Aucoin, Jared Lentini, Francesca Casella and step grandsons Gabriel Rodriguez and Aiden Bonney

; four great granddaughters, Mia Aucoin, Eleanora Ferrelli, Zoey Aucoin and Olivia Lentini ; several nieces , nephews and cousins. Also left to morn is his former wife, friend and mother of his four children, Audrey G. DeFelice. Frank was predeceased by a son, Francis M. DeFelice Jr., a granddaughter and three great grandsons.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Monday 11 AM at St. Joseph Church, 195 South Main Street, New Britain. Please go directly to the church. There are no calling hours. Burial with military honors will be in St. Mary Cemetery, New Britain. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Prudence Crandall Center, 594 Burritt Street, New Britain, CT 06050 or to the CT Children's Medical Center, 282 Washington Street, Hartford, CT 06106. Carlson Funeral Home, New Britain is assisting with arrangements. Please share a memory or note of sympathy at [www.carlsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.carlsonfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## St. Mary Cemetery

1141 Stanley Street  
New Britain, CT 06053

# Previous Events

## Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 11. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Joseph Church of the Divine Providence Parish  
195 South Main Street  
New Britain, CT 06051

# Tribute Wall

PC

“ *On behalf of the families, staff, and board of Prudence Crandall Center, we send our deepest condolences to Frank's family, friends, and all who knew and loved him at this very difficult time. We have so many wonderful memories and hope yours provide you with some comfort.*

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**PCC** - January 11, 2021 at 05:51 PM

PC

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**PCC** - January 11, 2021 at 05:48 PM

SR

“ *So very sorry and sad to hear of Frank's passing. Made me reflect on time spent with the DeFelices growing up. All good memories. My deepest condolences to his fiancé and the entire family. Marnie, Cathy, Audra, and Audrey, my thoughts are with you.*



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**Shannon Rivera** - January 10, 2021 at 02:05 PM

MA

*Thank you Shannon ♥♥ that's a great picture!*

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**marjorie aucoin** - January 12, 2021 at 12:01 PM

TB

*Very sorry for your lose....Frank was a well respected man...*

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**Todd Bucklland** - January 15, 2021 at 10:52 AM

VS

“ *I was introduced to Frank a couple of years ago by my friend Peter S. He came to mine and my daughter's homes to work on our grandfather clock. He was such a knowledgeable, gentle and humble man. I found he was of "old school" - demonstrating honor, respect and family is #1. They don't make them like that anymore!*

*My continuing thoughts and deepest sympathy from Vince Sinopoli*

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**Vince Sinopoli** - January 10, 2021 at 12:03 PM

MA

*Thank you*

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**marjorie aucoin** - January 12, 2021 at 12:03 PM

JL

“ *My deepest condolences to the family..Frank was one in a million..his passing is a great loss to all that loved and knew him...He will be greatly missed...RIP my dearest friend..until we meet again.. Always..Judi Lombardo*

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**Judi Lombardo** - January 10, 2021 at 07:53 AM

SM

“ It’s sad that we lost such a Great Person who made such a Positive Impact on Us at the N.B.P.D. as well as the Community in New Britain.

We all have so many memories of how Good of a Guy as well as Kindhearted Frank was to us. He always tried to help where he could from cooking at events, fixing a clock, etc. I personally will never forget how much it meant to Frank to be able to donate his time so he could cook every year for the N.B. Police Explorers Christmas & Awards party. Frank wanted to make sure the kids and their families would have a Wonderful Experience that they could Always Remember.

Rest In Peace Good Friend. You’ll be Missed.

Let Our Prayers be there for Him and his Family.

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**Stan Masternak** - January 10, 2021 at 02:46 AM

PS

“ 25 years ago I met Frank at a clock auction in New Hampshire. That’s when our friendship started. His love of clocks and also mine bounded a remarkable knowledge of clock repairing. There wasn’t a challenge to great. We were always there to help each other. I am positive that if there’s a clock in heaven Frank will find it. Good by my friend and rest well till we meet again.

Peter Stokes

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**Peter Stokes** - January 09, 2021 at 08:39 PM

EF

“ Our hearts are with all family. We now there was (and is forever) so much love for Frank.

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**Elli and Jake Riley family** - January 09, 2021 at 01:05 PM

ZS

“ Sorry to hear of Frank's passing. I worked with him on the NBPD 3rd shift when we were both patrolman. He was always a good partner to have when handling calls. We partnered up quite a few times in the old Car #8 the Emergency Wagon. He was always fun to be around. That was a long time ago, always enjoyed seeing him at the annual Game Dinners at the VFW talking about the times we were on the PD. Ziggy

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**Ziggy Spiewak** - January 09, 2021 at 12:25 PM

BL

“ I had the pleasure of befriending Frank during his time at EC Goodwin. Wonderful man, with a heart that knew and cared about people. I always felt this quality came full force from the immense pain he shouldered, from an accident on Corbin Avenue. I'm sad for all of you who love him and will miss his spirit. Actually, he'll probably be around you all more , now. I believe that. 🙏🌹

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**barbara luchansky** - January 09, 2021 at 11:39 AM

LG

“ Extending heartfelt sympathy to your family. So sorry for your loss.

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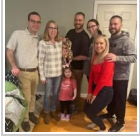
**Laura Grunwald** - January 09, 2021 at 09:47 AM

NV

“ The membership of the Northwestern T.G.M. Memorial Veterans Post are deeply saddened along with the DeFelice family on brother Frankie's passing.  
TAPS

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**Northwestern TGM Veterans** - January 09, 2021 at 08:55 AM



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Catherine Lentini - January 09, 2021 at 07:41 AM



*Our Family*

Catherine Lentini - January 09, 2021 at 07:42 AM



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Catherine Lentini - January 09, 2021 at 07:38 AM



“ *Very sorry for your loss. Frank was one of the good guys. Known him since the old Meadowland days to LaRosa,s. Again my sincere sympathy. Pat Feeney*

Pat Feeney - January 09, 2021 at 05:45 AM



*Thank you Patty  
Marnie*

marjorie aucoin - January 09, 2021 at 09:38 AM

CM

“ *Marni and Pam: My Sincere Condolences. I will miss my bantering with Frank. He was a special person with a kind caring heart.*

*Cindy Miller*

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**cindy Miller** - January 08, 2021 at 11:20 PM

MA

*Thank you Cindy*

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**marjorie aucoin** - January 09, 2021 at 09:38 AM

BN

“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



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**Bernie Nason** - January 08, 2021 at 10:54 PM

DC

“ *My deepest sympathy to Pam and the entire DeFelice family .Frankie was special to me .You had the best it's just that God took him back too soon .*



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**Dennis Cavallo** - January 08, 2021 at 08:45 PM

AS

“ *My condolences to all Frances family he will be missed RIP. My friend 🙏🙏🙏*

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**alberto siracusa** - January 08, 2021 at 08:34 PM

BN

“ Frankie Jim & I will miss your wonderful calls and texts.... You were such a wonderful friend to us both and your gonna be missed dearly. Can't believe we won't be seeing you again and having lots of laughs and great hugs <3 Rest in Peace and your always going to be remembered with love .... Pam our love and thoughts are with you now and always.



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**Bernie Nason** - January 08, 2021 at 07:59 PM

EB

“ Eric Bonaiuto lit a candle in memory of Francis "Frank" DeFelice



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**Eric Bonaiuto** - January 08, 2021 at 05:47 PM

RM

“ My deepest sympathy to all of Frank's family, I will always remember the great memories

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**Rich Marzi** - January 08, 2021 at 05:42 PM

PB

“ My Sympathies to family and friends

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**Pierre Beaulieu** - January 08, 2021 at 05:31 PM

CM

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the entire DeFelice. Claudine Martin

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**claudine martin** - January 08, 2021 at 04:36 PM

JJ

“ I was sorry to hear of my cousin's passing. My cousin Francis was a good man.

*John W Mascola, Jr.*

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**John W Mascola, Jr.** - January 08, 2021 at 04:00 PM

AD

“ Frank, I'll miss you and you will be in my heart always. My best friend, “I love you more”.

❤️ Audrey

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**Audrey Defelice** - January 08, 2021 at 03:06 PM

AN

“ What a great man!!! So sorry for the loss of your Dad

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**Andrea** - January 08, 2021 at 02:51 PM

MA

“ My hero, my Daddy, Rest In Peace until we meet again 🍀🙏❤️

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**marjorie aucoin** - January 08, 2021 at 12:34 PM

GF

*Sincere condolences to all the family he will be missed by all of us especially everyone at the Generale Ameglio R.I.P Frank*

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**gulli family** - January 09, 2021 at 02:45 PM

HB

*So very sorry to hear of Franks passing. We were appointed to NBPD on the same day, December 2, 1972.*

*A wonderful guy. Rest In Peace.*

*Howard Begley*

*NBPD*

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**Howard Begley** - January 10, 2021 at 12:17 PM

WL

*To Pam & Defelice Family, My Deepest heartfelt condolences For you and every ones loss. Frank was Good Man, Good trusted friend to every body, myself included.  
Rest in Peace My Friend.*

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**William Longoria** - January 11, 2021 at 10:15 AM