



## Frank Eugene Virga

August 11, 1949 - February 21, 2022

Frank Eugene Virga, Age 72, of Americus, GA, passed away on February 21, 2022 at Phoebe Putney Hospital in Albany, GA when he was not able to overcome a month long battle with the Coronavirus. His Funeral Mass Services and Celebration of Life will be held at Saint Teresa's Catholic Church on 421 Edgewood Lane in Albany, Ga on Saturday May 21, 2022 @ 11:30am ET. We, The Virga Family hope you can attend the service and look forward to seeing you. If you have any memories, words or photos you'd like to share, you can post them here: <https://www.kimbrellstern.com/m/obituaries/Frank-Virga/Memories> . We Love You and thank you all again so much.

Frank was born on August 11th, 1949, to Vincent Virga & Virginia Scoggins in Birmingham, AL. Frank's life was heavily influenced by his Grandmother Providenza & Aunt Lucy Virga and his Grandparents Homer & Bessie Scoggins. After graduating from Glenn High School in 1967, he went on to study Business Administration at Jefferson State Junior College in Birmingham.

After graduation, Frank enlisted in the United States Marine Core in 1969. After his time in the Marine Core, the young entrepreneur moved to Americus, GA and purchased an Italian Restaurant, "Pasquale's Pizza & Pasta". It was at Pasquale's where Frank met his future wife, Janice Marcelle Freeman of Sasser, GA and the two were married on August 31, 1974 at Saint Mary's Catholic Church in Americus. The couple went on to have to have their first son, Vincent Anthony Virga (Tony) on May 5, 1975. And in 1978, the couple

welcomed their second son, Frank Nickolas Virga on August 25, 1978. Frank successfully owned and operated Pasquale's for three decades becoming a pillar in the community. Frank reflected on his years he and his family spent in Americus and running Pasquale's stating: "I have spent the majority of my years in Americus at Pasquale's Pizza on Tripp Street then downtown on Lamar Street. I have seen three generations grow up while in business and have made many friends and friendships. The best years of my life was serving the people and friends in Americus and Sumter County. I have served President Jimmy Carter and family on several occasions hosting family birthday parties for their children and his brother Billy."

In 1998, Frank turned the page on the long restaurant part of his life returned to furthering his education where he sought his Bachelor's Degree in Accounting at Georgia Southwestern State University in Americus, GA where he graduated with honors in 2011.

After graduating, Frank pursued his second career in Accounting and Bookkeeping which soon led him to a 20 Year term of service with H&R Block in Albany, GA and surrounding areas.

As much as Frank was a career man, he was definitely a family man and one who had many friends. Frank was a devout Roman Catholic and spent the majority of his life as a dedicated member of Saint Mary's Catholic Church in Americus, GA and then later at Saint Teresa's Catholic Church in Albany, GA. Frank enjoyed and participated in sports throughout his youth and would always say with pride, "Roll Tide".

Frank was one of six siblings including his older brother and recently deceased Sammy Joseph Virga. Frank is survived by his three younger brothers, Vincent Anthony Virga II, Gerard Matthews Virga, his youngest brother Michael Jeffrey Virga, and baby sister Mary Kathryn Virga-Manning. Frank was a much loved and loving "Uncle Frank" to his many nieces and nephews and their children.

Frank's youngest son, Nick passed on Dec 2, 2004. His oldest son Tony is married to Jessa Lee Jeremiah and they have Frank's two granddaughters,

Primlee Nickole Virga (7) and Paislee Barrett Virga (5). Frank's love for his family and especially his granddaughters was evident to anyone whom he encountered.

Frank was a good friend to all that called him friend. He truly saw no colors, black, white, red or blue. Frank feared not his life after this one as he trusted his sole in our savior Jesus Christ to meet him and his loved ones that have passed before him in heaven. Frank, we all love you and we'll miss you.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAY **21**. 11:30 AM (ET)

St Teresa's Catholic Church  
421 Edgewood Ln  
Albany, GA 31707-3910  
(229) 439-2302

# Tribute Wall



“ I am very sad to hear of Franks passing. I met him when our aunt moved in with us and i began to bring her to Mass. We sat together at the back of the church and he was always so kind to us both. He checked on us regularly after he could not attend any longer. Such fond memories of a dear friend. Prayers for all of his family that he loved and shared pictures of all the time.

*Theresa Dorre & Margaret Dobmeier*

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**Theresa Dorr'e** - May 21, 2022 at 06:00 PM



“ Our thoughts an prayers go out to the family. Frank was a sweet kind always friendly man He will be missed! Sending our deepest sympathy ❤️

*Jack & Laura Stone*

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**Laura Stone** - May 21, 2022 at 12:29 AM

KH

“ I first meet Frank when my brother and tiny became friends. Later working for Frank for many years at Pasquale’s. Frank was an important part of who I am today. He taught me a lot about hard work. He became family. When I moved away from home at 18 he came to Nashville to see me and it stayed present in my life for the last 30 years. He never missed a chance to send me a sweet message or photos of his granddaughters. He was so proud of Tony. He would tell me all the time how amazing it was to watch Tony become a father and do such great things. I will never forget working with Frank, Nick, Toby and Franks father. They treated me like I was the little sister of the boys. Frank checked on me monthly for 30 years. He followed my journey in to parenthood and always showed support. I still miss getting those random messages and I love yous. Tony, I won’t be able to be there tomorrow and It is killing me. I want you to know how much Frank loved you and how proud of the man you have become. He would tell me all the time he is an amazing father to which I would say did you expect anything less? I mean hello look how close you were with the boys. I will feel his lose forever but I find comfort in knowing he is with Nick, his dad, and surely with the God he loved so much. Keep making him proud and I’m sure he will be watching over you and your family always. You were his greatest accomplishment. Frankie, I love you big daddy! I miss you always.. until we meet again..

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**Kristin Hancock** - May 20, 2022 at 10:45 PM

LC

“ I’m so thankful I got to call him my friend.  
What a wonderful, kind man.

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**Laura Cheek** - May 20, 2022 at 08:43 PM

SW

“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. He was a dedicated business man. Americus has many fond memories of Pasquale's and the AWESOME food. He treated everyone with utmost respect. Americus is a better town to have had this restaurant. May God Bless the family during this time.

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**Sandra Walker** - May 20, 2022 at 07:44 PM

LH

“ I met Frank while a student at Georgia Southwestern. A group of us college students would walk there for the all you could eat. The friendship continued after graduation and marriage. My husband, Freddie and I would often ate there. When I was pregnant with my daughter I craved a Stromboli sandwich. He called her the Stromboli baby. My 85 year old mother still wants a sandwich today. Rest on my friend until we meet again. Tell Freddie hello for me.💔💔💔

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**Linda Harris** - May 20, 2022 at 07:23 PM

SA

“ I knew Mr. Virga for several years after meeting him at H&R Block. We became friends after he helped me with a disastrous tax situation. I am saddened and was by coincidence I learned of his passing. I reached out to him over 2 months ago and wondered why he had not returned my call. My heart is heavy, I will miss my friend dearly, however I am happy to know he is at peace, confident we will meet again, I extend my most heartfelt condolences to the family. Shirley Armstrong

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**Shirley Armstrong** - May 17, 2022 at 09:18 PM

SR

“ Frank was so very special to so many people in Americus! Pasquale's is still talked about and missed, and everyone missed Frank when he left Americus. So sorry to learn of his death and send much sympathy to all his family Sue Reeves Rose

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**Sue Reeves Rose** - May 17, 2022 at 03:59 PM

WM

“ I worked for Frank and Janice while in high school in Americus. He was the best! He always treated my mother and her friends as his own. May God bless the family during this difficult time. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Wright McKay.

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**Wright McKay** - May 17, 2022 at 11:56 AM

MB

“ I'm very sad to hear of Frank's passing. My late husband, Joe, and I spent many of our dates at Pasquale's; one, due to the excellent food served there, and two, due to the romantic Italian atmosphere Frank created at his restaurant. Long after Pasquale's closed, we both always talked about how we wished we could find a Stromboli as delicious as the ones Frank served. May God bless and comfort his family, and may they know that his business/restaurant was a part of the start so many young people's relationships in Americus and Sumter county. May God's peace be with you all. With Love, Christy Belcher

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**Mrs. Joe Belcher** - May 17, 2022 at 07:48 AM

RP

“ I'm only just hearing of Frank's passing today. What a terrible loss for his family and friends. I grew up going to his family restaurant and have so many fond memories of him. Today there is a tear in my eye knowing that I'll never see him again. Rest in peace, Frank.

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**Robby Perry** - May 16, 2022 at 01:29 PM

JU

“ I worked for Frank at Pasquale’s Pizza...my first job at 15 years old!! Could not have asked for a better boss/friend!! I loved and respected him and remember so many fun times together!!! Frank was a great man to me and so many others!!!

june - April 28, 2022 at 09:23 PM

DH

“ I am so sorry to hear this but I know he is happy. My whole family loved Frank and considered him part of our family. So Tony as you know you have been part of our family too come to see us soon ok. We love and miss you. Deborah Hancock

Deborah Hancock - April 23, 2022 at 11:45 AM

TI

“ So saddened to hear this - one of the nicest men I ever came across. I know his grandchildren will miss him <3

Tiffany - February 23, 2022 at 03:43 PM

JH

“ Judy Hall lit a candle in memory of Frank Eugene Virga



judy hall - February 23, 2022 at 12:35 PM



JoyceandD  
Pilcher

“ So sorry to hear this. RIP Frank.

JoyceandDanny Pilcher - February 23, 2022 at 09:25 AM

DJ

“ *Danny & Brenda Jackson lit a candle in memory of Frank Eugene Virga*



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**Danny & Brenda Jackson** - February 22, 2022 at 08:22 PM

ME

“ *I am so shocked and saddened to read this! God bless you all during this time. He was a wonderful friend.*

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**Margie Everett** - February 22, 2022 at 07:18 PM

CT

“ *Love and comfort to the family,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, Cathy Tyler*



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**cathy tyler** - February 22, 2022 at 03:43 PM

DS

“ *What a great guy! You will be missed by so many people. Always enjoyed your facebook time. Prayers for the family.*

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**Debra Durden Sloan** - February 22, 2022 at 08:36 AM

JA

“ Joe Averett lit a candle in memory of Frank Eugene Virga



Joe Averett - February 22, 2022 at 05:14 AM

SS

“ Sheryl Brown Smith lit a candle in memory of Frank Eugene Virga



Sheryl Brown Smith - February 22, 2022 at 12:39 AM

SB

“ This breaks my heart. Frank was always one of the good guys. He was kind to a fault, and his contributions to the Americus community were tremendous. Nights after band practice at Pasquales are some of my best memories of high school. Rest in Peace, sweet soul. ❤️

Sissy Bowen - February 21, 2022 at 09:29 PM

JS

“ Jay Stripling lit a candle in memory of Frank Eugene Virga



Jay Stripling - February 21, 2022 at 09:23 PM

BS

“ *BILL SAWYER lit a candle in memory of Frank Eugene Virga*



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**BILL SAWYER** - February 21, 2022 at 08:30 PM

LS

“ *Frank was loved by many folks in Americus ... always such a gentleman... he will be missed*



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**Linda Perry Singleton** - February 21, 2022 at 04:45 PM