



## Louis DiBella, Sr.

May 12, 1954 - March 6, 2016

Louis DiBella, Sr., 61 of Boynton Beach, Florida died on Sunday, March 6, 2016, at Medical Center of Plano Texas.

Born Wednesday, May 12, 1954 in Brooklyn, New York, he was the son of Salvatore DiBella and Josephine (Poli) DiBella. He was the husband of Joanne Pisano DiBella.

Also surviving are his children; Louis Jr his wife Francine and Deanna; his brothers Thomas and Richard; and his grandson Luca.

A Funeral service will be at 10:00 AM on Saturday at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church located at 5411 Amboy Road Staten Island, New York 10312.  
Arrangements Include Private Cremation.

The family will receive friends from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM and 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM on Thursday and Friday at John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals, Inc., 28 Eltingville Blvd, Staten Island, New York.

Online condolences may be made to the family at [www.scaliahome.com](http://www.scaliahome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Rosehill Crematory

792 E Edgar Rd  
Rosehill Crematory, NJ 07036

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 10. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals, Inc.  
28 Eltingville Blvd  
Staten Island, NY 10312

## Visitation

MAR 10. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

MAR 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady Star Of The Sea Church  
5411 Amboy Rd  
Staten Island, NY 10312

# Tribute Wall



“ *Louis DiBella, Sr.*

October 04, 2023 at 06:13 PM



“ *I'll never forget when Lou would pay me \$5 to recite the line from Good Fellas up until I was about 6 years old. He was a great man and super hilarious. I dedicated a ribbon on my class ring for Big Lou. His whole battle to the sickness he was going through truly did inspire me so much. He fought long and hard, until the end and kept a smile on his face when times were tough. Going to miss Lou, and how he always joked about having a higher rank belt in karate than me. his "Pink Belt" Words cannot describe how much this has opened my eyes. And i hope to be remembered as positive as he is.*

*-Alexis Tortorella*

Alexis - March 16, 2016 at 12:39 AM



“ *4 files added to the album TEXAS*



Kelly Maguire - March 13, 2016 at 11:59 PM

JS

“ Joanne, Deanna, Loius, Francine, and precious Luca,  
There are no words that can express how I feel about this beautiful family. I will always remember Big Lou as I was Deanna's 7th grade teacher and the Night of Back to School Night Big Lou walked into my room and literally took my breath. So handsome with a million dollar smile I remember I was going over the curriculum blah blah and as I looked up and saw him I lost all my concentration. I never saw anyone who took such great care of themselves. It is so unfair that he was robbed of his life when so many people just abuse their bodies and hope for the best. Big Lou did everything right exercise, ate well etc. Cancer is a horrific disease that has taken so many good people from me and I hope and pray for a cure once and for all. Joanne you are such an inspiration to me and all that know you. I thank God everyday that Big Lou had the time he did with Luca I know it was way too short but the look of love on Big Lou's face in every picture with him is priceless. Luca will be the savior of this very broken family , when you look at him you will be able to see Big Lou clear as day. I love all of you and pray daily that God gives you the strength to go on . Louis and Deanna you were blessed to have a dad who loved you so much not all children have that and I know his love will live on in you forever. Amanda and I were honored to be a part of team Big Lou and will continue to wear the bracelets in his honor.  
Love you all so much,  
Janet and Amanda Suriano

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Janet Suriano - March 12, 2016 at 01:33 AM

PA

WAS BACK IN THE LATE 60, I MET BIG LOU FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE OLD AMBOY PARKING LOT IN STATEN ISLAND WE HAPPEN TO CHOOSE SIZE, I TOOK BIG LOU, NOT KNOWING AT THE TIME, THAT HE HAD A GREAT THROWING ARM IN FOOTBALL. ME AN ANTHONY POLI WERE GANNA USE HIM AS A FLANKER BACK, WE WERE LOSING BY ONE TOUCH DOWN, TO ANOTHER GREAT PLAY, WE CALL THE GHOST, NAME WAS BEAGGIO, BIG LOU CAME UP TO ME, AND SAID SNEAKERS GIVE ME A SHOT AT QUARTER BACK, I CAN TIED THIS FREAKING GAME UP, WE HAD A SPEEDY GUY, WE CALLED HIM PETER WOLF, I SAID OK LOU THE BALL IS IN YR HANDS, ILL PLAY THE WOLF WIDE END, SURE ENOUGH, ON THE SECOUND DOWN, HE THREW A BOMB TO THE WOLF MAN, BALL SPINNING THREW THE AIR, PETER WOLF, RUNNING AS FAST AS HE COULD, BY GOD HE HIT THE WOLF FOR 50 YARD TOUCH DOWN, RAN THE REST OF THE WAY FOR A TD. .... AS HE SAID I CAN TIE UP THE F--K GAME

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**PAUL** - March 15, 2016 at 03:08 PM

RB

“ MY GOOD FRIEND LOUIE PASSED AWAY SUNDAY MARCH 6,2016 OF A VERY BAD AND EVIL PANCREATIC CANCER THAT WAS UNDER CONTROL AFTER THE OPERATION AND REMOVAL OF 2/3 OF HIS PANCREAS.HE BATTLED BACK AFTER A EXTENSIVE OPERATION REST & REHAB.. HOWEVER, HIS COMMITMENT TO GO BACK TO THE GYM, TO GET BACK INTO SHAPE,WAS HIS PERSEVERENCE AND DEDICATION THAT HE WANTED TO BRING HIS WEIGHT UP AGAIN FROM 160 LBS TO 190 & WAS LOOKING GOOD...A NICE TAN FROM HIS LIFE IN FLORIDA,WITH GREAT MUSCLE TONE,AS HE WAS DOING VERY WELL FOR ABOUT TEN MONTHS.. THEN ONE DAY THE CANCER METASTASIZED QUICKLY TO THE LIVER & SMALL INTESTINE AND AT THAT POINT HE WAS TO WEAK TO ENDURE ANY MORE CHEMOTHERAPY.. MY BUDDY LOUIE AN I WERE ALWAYS JOKING AROUND,TEASING & HAD NAMES LIKE STALLION,TRENNY. WE PUSHED EACH OTHER HARD WITH COMPASSION IN THE GYM AND HAD SAID NO LOLLYGAGGING,NO PAIN NO GAIN INTRODUCED ME TO A GREAT SPORT OF BODYBUILDING & WEIGHTLIFTING AT 19 YRS OLD UNTIL THE END OF HIS LIFE,AS IT WILL BE FOLLOWED BY ME UNTIL I CAN'T PERSEVERE ANYMORE..WE BOTH KNOW THAT IT WAS'NT ABOUT LONGEVITY,BECAUSE WE BELIEVE WE ALL HAVE A NUMBER AND ONLY THAT WE HAVE ALWAYS FELT GOOD LOOKED GOOD AN IT WAS A CONFINDENCE BOOSTER AT THAT..NO DOUBT THE ITALIAN STALLION'S NUMBER WAS UP,AS THE CANCER MOVED SO QUICKLY AN AT 60 PLUS YEARS OLD MY FRIEND STALLION, YOU WERE ROBBED BUDDY, AS 60 PLUS IS TODAYS FORTY,SOME LIVE TO 70,80 PLUS & DON'T TAKECARE OF THEMSELVES!!! YOU ALWAYS HAVE TAKEN CARE OF YOURSELF AND WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED BY YOUR GOOD FRIEND TRENNY,FOREVER & ETERNITY,LUV YOU STALLION, AS WE WILL MEET AGAIN!!!!!!!!!!

ROY BENTZEN

**Roy Bentzen** - March 11, 2016 at 04:06 PM



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Louis DiBella, Sr..



March 11, 2016 at 09:27 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Louis DiBella, Sr..



March 10, 2016 at 01:39 PM



“ I am truly going to miss seeing Lou at the gym. He's one of my all time favorite people in the state of Florida. Sending my condolences to his wife, kids and family. God bless.



**Erica Giglietti** - March 10, 2016 at 10:49 AM



“ Michele Ann Artascos purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Louis DiBella, Sr..



**Michele Ann Artascos** - March 10, 2016 at 07:53 AM

MP

“ Dear Joanne, Deanna, Lou and Luca, we are so sorry for the loss of your beloved husband, father and grandfather. We we're blessed to know Lou, although for too short of a time. We admired his courage and optimism throughout his battle with his illness. He certainly left an impression on our lives and we could see the love and support he received from all who knew him. Joanne, your love and devotion to Lou was unmatched. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you and your entire family during this very difficult time. Mike and Michele Pilato

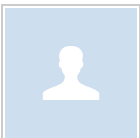
Mike and Michele Pilato - March 10, 2016 at 06:39 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Louis DiBella, Sr..



March 09, 2016 at 11:23 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Louis DiBella, Sr..



March 09, 2016 at 10:14 PM

DS

“ *Darrell and Shari Schaefer purchased the Memories - Peaceful Reflections Marker for the family of Louis DiBella, Sr..*

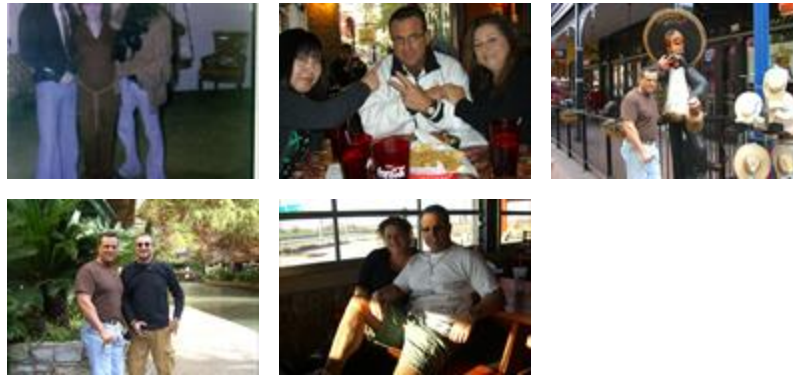


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**Darrell and Shari Schaefer** - March 09, 2016 at 07:32 PM

 Rich  
Bell

“ *5 files added to the album My brother Louis*



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**Rich Bell** - March 09, 2016 at 05:38 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Louis DiBella, Sr..*



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March 09, 2016 at 05:30 PM

 Rich  
Bell

“ As Louis's younger brother, I could not ask for a better big brother than he was. As children he would always look out for me protecting me from the bullies at school. He was my hero growing up and remained my hero in adulthood especially the way he battled his sickness trying to stay with his family. He was always there for me sharing our most confident secrets throughout our lives. I now have a hole in my heart that could never be filled. It will be a constant reminder to me of what a lucky person I am to have shared so much with Louis throughout my years on earth with him. He was the most loving person with family and friends always willing to do anything to help those he loved. I can never say goodbye to my brother, only I will meet you again some day and spend eternity with you. Love you now and always Richard

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**Rich Bell** - March 09, 2016 at 05:27 PM

TB

“ ALL YHE WORDS IN THE WORLD CANT EXPRESSWHAT MY ACHING HEART IS FEELIN . FOR U ARE AT REST NOW FREE FROM THAT HORRIBLE DISEASE . WE HERE ON EARTH ARE NOW STRUGGLNG TO COME TO TERMS WITH OUR EMOTINS . BY SO MANY YOU WILL NEVER BE FOR GOTTEN . WE WILL FOREVER KEEP YOUR SPIRIT ALIVE. YOU HAVE GIVEN US A LEGACY IN LOUIS JR DEANNA AND LUCA . and to joann from the moment she laid eyes on you has forever adored all that you are. . rest in peace BIG BROTHER FOR ME IN MANY WAYS

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**Thomas Di Bella** - March 09, 2016 at 04:41 PM

LF

“ LINDA LEPARD AND FAMILY purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Louis DiBella, Sr..



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LINDA LEPARD AND FAMILY - March 09, 2016 at 12:29 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Louis DiBella, Sr..



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March 09, 2016 at 12:12 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Louis DiBella, Sr..



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March 09, 2016 at 11:28 AM

JG

“ so Very sorry Deanna and family My heart goe sout to you Love Yas Gramma Judy and Pop Dan

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judith gass - March 09, 2016 at 11:18 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Louis DiBella, Sr..*



March 09, 2016 at 11:16 AM



“ *Cliff and Irene Raymond purchased the In Memory Heart Shaped Music Box for the family of Louis DiBella, Sr..*



**Cliff and Irene Raymond** - March 09, 2016 at 11:07 AM



“ *The Crook Family & Jenny Hough purchased the A New Sunrise Spray for the family of Louis DiBella, Sr..*



**The Crook Family & Jenny Hough** - March 09, 2016 at 11:01 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



**Terry** - March 08, 2016 at 10:51 PM

GT

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Gary tortorella - March 08, 2016 at 04:41 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Louis DiBella, Sr..



March 08, 2016 at 01:54 PM



Deanna DiBella

“ 2 files added to the album Big Lou



Deanna DiBella - March 08, 2016 at 11:41 AM

SB

“ Sal, Terry, Sal Jr., Frankie and Brianna purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Louis DiBella, Sr..



Sal, Terry, Sal Jr., Frankie and Brianna - March 08, 2016 at 09:53 AM