

Vincent M. Bufano

August 23, 1934 - October 21, 2021

Vincent M. Bufano of Wilton, Connecticut, passed away October 21, 2021 at the age of 87. Vince was a man of faith, grace, and giving who left us with a lifelong legacy of personal and professional achievement, and a powerful embrace of family and friends that we thought would go on forever.

Vince was born and raised in the Bronx, one of two children of Michael and Giovannina Bufano. He is survived by his wife Libby, the love of his life for 63 years wonderful years, his cherished children, Lori Bufano (Jeff), Michael Bufano (Nancy) Danielle Bufano Mancuso, Elizabeth Bufano, and his loving grandchildren, Joseph, Jack, Michael, Elizabeth, Nicholas, and Natalia. He is also survived by his beloved sister, Claire Cialone, his nephew Anthony Cialone and niece Michele Shanahan.

He was a dedicated husband, father, and grandfather whose greatest joys came from his unbridled relationship with his immediate family in the United States, and with his extended family in his beloved Italy. His and Libby's loving involvement with their children and their grandchildren has brought boundless happiness to both.

Vince was the first in his family to attend college, graduating from Villanova University in 1956. He crafted an extraordinary business career in the medical equipment field, first at E.R. Squibb, and then for four decades at Baxter

Healthcare Corporation. He was one of the important architects of Baxter's expansion nationally and globally until he retired as Vice-President of Professional Relationships in 2010. He was an incredibly astute connector of people and a mentor to many, and took enormous personal pride in the individual, team, and client achievements that grew out of those relationships.

Giving of himself was a hallmark of Vince's life. In the years that followed graduation, Villanova recognized him for his tireless contributions to the university and all that it stands for and awarded him the Blue White Scholarship Foundation Loyalty Award. And later still, in 1991 he received the St. Thomas of Villanova Alumni Medal, the highest honor the University Alumni Association bestows.

Vince also served on the Board of Trustees of Mount Vernon Hospital (now Montefiore Mount Vernon) for over 20 years, including 13 years as its president, ending in 2009. He was on the board of Livingston (Health Care) Services, and was the only lay person ever to be appointed to the Board of Trustees of The Academy of Anesthesiology, this in recognition of his ongoing treatment contributions to the medical community, and to the patients they serve.

Locally, Vince was actively involved with the Norwalk Catholic Club, and was a fourth degree member of the Knights of Columbus. He was also a very active and influential member of Shorehaven Golf Club, heading multiple club committees including the Admissions and Golf Committees, serving on the board twice, and serving as the club's president for two different terms. He was a friend to all members, and a fierce champion for every single member of the club's staff.

To honor this extraordinary man's life, family and friends will gather on Friday, October 29th from 5- 8 p.m. at Our Lady of Fatima Church, 229 Danbury

Road, Wilton, CT. A Mass of Christian Burial will take place Saturday, October 30th at 9:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Fatima Church followed by Entombment in St. John/St. Mary Cemetery, Norwalk, CT.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to;

GREENWICH HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

5 PERRYRIDGE ROAD

GREENWICH, CT 06830

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In Memory of Vincent M. Bufano

<https://giving.greenhosp.org/honor-vincent-bufano/>

The wake and funeral mass will be live streamed on the parish website. Please visit olfwilton.org . Please visit the church's website and click on the red "Watch Live" button.

Cemetery Details

St. John's Cemetery

80-01 Metropolitan Ave
Middle Village, NY 11379

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **29**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Our Lady of Fatima Church
229 Danbury Rd
Wilton, CT 06897

Service

OCT **30**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Vincent M. Bufano*



John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals Inc. - October 28, 2021 at 12:34 PM

GR

“ *I am saddened to hear of Vincent's passing. I've known Vincent or Jimmy as he was called, since the Bronx in the 1950's. His mom used to babysit for my sister and I and we always went to Mike's shoe repair for shines and repairs. Vincent was always kind, friendly and a brilliantly smart young man. His parents were so very proud as he was the first in his family to go to college. I haven't seen Vincent in a while but I did exchange some emails with him over the years and I did speak with him by phone. Vincent was a remarkable man and I treasured knowing him and his wonderful wife Libby. May he rest in peace. He will not be forgotten.*

George Ranalli - March 03 at 05:57 PM



“ *Vincent M. Bufano*

October 04, 2023 at 06:13 PM



“ *Bountiful Rose Basket* was purchased for the family of Vincent M. Bufano.



November 01, 2021 at 04:29 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Vincent M. Bufano.



October 29, 2021 at 02:15 PM



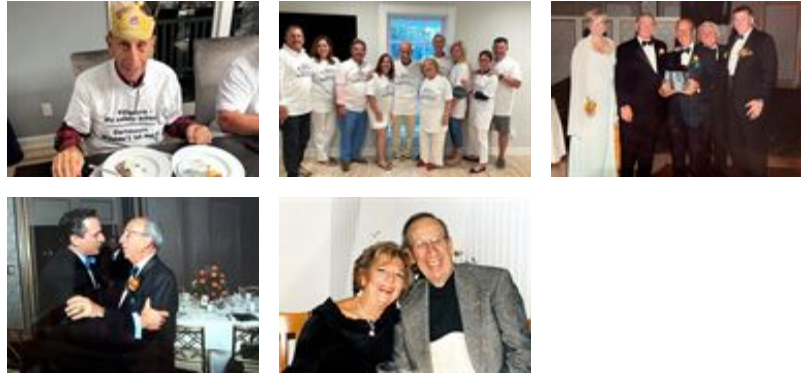
“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Vincent M. Bufano.



October 28, 2021 at 09:53 PM



“ 71 files added to the album Life Tributes



John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals Inc. - October 28, 2021 at 11:59 AM



“ With sympathy Mala & Len Zaccagnino purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Vincent M. Bufano.



With sympathy Mala & Len Zaccagnino - October 28, 2021 at 11:33 AM



“ I am very sad to hear that Mr Bufano passed away. I knew him & his lovely wife & family from Mario's. It was a pleasure to serve such a wonderful family. Mr Bufano was always the same...friendly, sincere, generous & thoughtful. He was easy going & knew how to make anyone feel at ease. My heart aches for his entire family, & I send my deepest condolences. He surely will be missed.

Heidi Calloway - October 27, 2021 at 02:22 PM

CW

“ *What a great man, husband, father and grandfather. I am so sorry for your loss. Vincent always brought a smile to my face when we were together. I will miss him greatly and I will keep the Bufano Family in my prayers during this difficult time.*

Chris Weldon - October 27, 2021 at 11:57 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Vincent M. Bufano.*



October 27, 2021 at 11:39 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Vincent M. Bufano.*



October 27, 2021 at 08:58 AM

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“ My sympathies go out to the family and to all who felt Vince’s love and loved him right back. Whenever I think of him or hear his name, I smile. He was so good to me. My work often took me to New York to conduct focus groups with clinicians & Vince would welcome me with open arms and be my biggest cheerleader from behind the 2-way mirror. His support and friendship meant so much to me as I was learning and sharpening my craft and basically growing up at Baxter. He taught me what good Italian food was and introduced me to my first cup of espresso – I hated it and he laughed. It was my honor and pleasure to know him. Smart, sweet, hard-working and full of life is how I will always remember him. Rest in peace my friend and know how much you were truly loved.

Cheryl (Schultz) Raith - His Baxter market research buddy

Cheryl Raith - October 27, 2021 at 07:15 AM

CT

Dear Libby and Family we are very sorry for you loss our prayers are with you and your family he was a wonderful person We love you guys Camillo and Angela Tramontana

camillo Angela Tramontana - October 30, 2021 at 02:29 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Vincent M. Bufano.



October 26, 2021 at 10:26 PM

MW

“ *My deepest sympathies to all the family. He was always sweet and thoughtful. Many fond memories.*

Melody Lane Wheeler

Melody Wheeler - October 26, 2021 at 07:46 PM

CW

“ *The impact this wonderful Man had on me started in his Westport office 39 years ago. He had the final say on my blessed career with Baxter. He in his own respectful way pushed me to elevate and improve at every aspect in life, with my family, my job or my golf game.*

He especially mentored me on how to win raging fans,i.e. with our customers. He was tough on you but it made you better. He was gentle on you when you were down. He lifted you up when you thought the worst. I had the pleasure of all these experiences by being lucky enough to attend meetings with our best customers. On several occasions I had customers say, to me , it is because of that man, Vince Bufano, we have the business. His invitations to these 'big shot' meetings made me feel tremendously part of the NY team. It motivated me to achieve things and be the best, I wanted so much to please Vince, he was a leader, but like a Dad to me.

I spent countless hours with Vinnie on the Hospital golf circuit" , I call it, Lol where we talked about business, life and family. Bonded with our customers. But, It was on those greens and fairways I was able to see the true gentle and caring side of Vince. I would fish so hard the day before I was going to see him just so I could surprise him with fresh fish! Vince was part of my family. My baby girl knew his name at age 3. My wife and I went on company trips around the world with Libby and Vince. Our memories will last forever. And his impact on me I will never forget. All our love to his family. Vince will always be in my heart. God Bless Vinnie!....🙏❤️

Chris White - October 26, 2021 at 06:48 PM

MS

“ I was saddened to hear about Vince's passing. I enjoyed meeting and talking with Vince over the years at the annual Cooperstown golf outings. The admiration, respect and affection that the group had for Vince was heartfelt. Talking to Vince, I would never have known how much he had done in his professional life, his community, his University, and his church. To say he was humble would be an understatement. At; Cooperstown though, he was just one of the guys, subject to the whims and humor of the "director" whose sense of humor was always entertaining. More than once, he threatened Vince with "Double-Secret Probation," for being absent one year. He will be missed, but one thing is assured, his life and his good works made the world a better place.

My sincere condolences to out to you, Libby, Michael, and the entire Buffano family.

Mike Kosko, SR.

Mike Kosko, SR - October 26, 2021 at 05:06 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Vincent M. Bufano.*



October 26, 2021 at 02:56 PM