





It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our dear husband, father and grandfather, Fernando Rose, following a three month stay in the Chinook Regional Hospital, on Friday, February 14, 2020 at the age of 90 years.

Marito, Papa and Nonno was a devoted family man, and was ever present in the life of his beloved wife, Antonietta Rose, who he met in 1961 and married in 1964. They were blessed with two children, Tony (Camille) Rose and Francesca (Brent) Morris, and four grandchildren, Claire, Antonia, Zachary and Alexa, whom he adored dearly.

Besides his loving wife, children and grandchildren, he is survived by his brothers and sisters-in-law: Andy (Julie) Suriano, Frank (Maureen) Suriano, John (Irene) Suriano, and Paolina Seitz (Garth Renyk), as well as numerous nephews and nieces.

Papa was predeceased by his parents, Antonio and Francesca Rose, as well as six brothers and sisters-in-law: Pasquale (Luisa) Rose, Silvio Rose, Raffaele (Maria) Rose, Rubens (Nerina) Rose, Amerigo (Maria) Rose and Anibale Rose; father and mother-in-law, Rocco and Gilda Suriano; brother-in-law, Murray Seitz, and cousin, Alberto Iachetta.

Papa was born May 12, 1929 and grew up in Grimaldi, Cosenza, Italy. As a young man, he served in the Italian Army, regularly entertaining the troops playing his tuba. He immigrated to Canada in 1954 and joined his brother in Kitimat, BC. In 1960, he moved to Lethbridge where he worked for Catelli for a short period of time before joining the staff at the City of Lethbridge Waterworks Department retiring in 1994. His co-workers affectionately called him Papa Rose, Fred, and Freddie.

Papa had a passion for sports; he loved watching the Italian sports channel. He was proud of his Italian heritage but grateful to be a Canadian citizen. He was a founding member of the Italian Canadian Centre where he and Antonietta rarely missed their monthly dinner and dance. Papa will always be remembered as a man of a few words, a family man who always had a smile on his face and love in his heart.

Prayer Service

Cornerstone Funeral Home

2825 - 32nd St. S | Lethbridge, AB

Thursday, February 20, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.

Officiant - Deacon Frank Peta

Music - D'Arcy George and Camille Rose

Eulogy - Paolina Seitz

Musical Selections

Amazing Grace

Prayer of St. Francis (Solo)

Sì (If Only) by Andrea Bocelli

Cinema Paradiso by William Joseph

Funeral Mass

Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church 2405 - 12th Ave. S | Lethbridge, AB Friday, February 21, 2020 at 11:00 A.M.

Celebrant - Father Albert Sayson

Choir - D'Arcy George and the Resurrection Choir

Soloist - Adrian Kaufmann

Hymns

Processional - Morning Has Broken
Offertory - Here I Am, Lord
Communion - I Am the Bread of Life
Meditation - Ave Maria (Solo)
Recessional - On Eagle's Wings

Readings

First - *Isaiah 25: 6-9* read by Lisa Tremblay Second - *Romans 6: 3-9* read by Garth Renyk Gospel - *John 14: 1-7* read by Father Albert Sayson Interment

Mountain View Cemetery
1210 Scenic Dr. S. | Lethbridge, AB

Pallbearers
Zachary Morris — Rocco Suriano — Jim Suriano
Justin Seitz — Nathan Tremblay — Emilio Mantello

Honourary Pallbearers
Joe Mantello — Frank Donato — Jerry Cattoni
Joe Mauro — Joe Lavorato — Dominic Mazzuca

A time of fellowship and refreshments will follow in the Church Hall at Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church. All are welcome to join.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Fernando's memory can be made to:

Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation 28 Oki Dr. NW | Calgary, AB T3B 6A8

Chinook Regional Hospital Foundation 960 - 19 St. S | Lethbridge, AB T1J 1W5

