



Frank Garone

February 16, 1944 - September 10, 2023

Frank Garone, age 79, husband of Deborah A. (Nardi) Garone of Phoenixville, PA, passed away on Sunday, September 10, 2023 in the Sanatoga Center. Born on February 16, 1944 in Brooklyn, NY, he was a son of the late Charles and Elizabeth (Basta) Garone.

Mr. Garone was a graduate of St. Francis Prep High School. He completed his undergraduate studies, as well as his master's program, at Duquesne University. Mr. Garone was a well-respected and regarded English teacher, both by his colleagues and students alike. He began his career in education for Lutheran High School on Long Island, and went on to continue at Oyster Bay High School. At both schools, in addition to his teaching, he also served as a basketball coach and was active in the drama clubs. After retirement, he continued to touch the lives of students as a substitute teacher in several school districts. He received Christmas cards from his Oyster Bay students year after year clearly showing the love that his students continued to have for him.

Mr. Garone was a fan of the theater, having season passes to the Walnut Street Theatre. He enjoyed trips to Longwood Gardens, taking walks in Valley Forge Park as well as taking in a good meal with his wife. He was an avid fan of the New York Yankees, liked watching Turner Classic movies, and was well known for his puns.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Garone is survived by two children, Elizabeth, wife of Bill Maniatis and their children Lana, Peter, and Lucy, and Christopher, husband of Jen Garone and their son, Albert; two step-sons, David Mieloch and Christopher Mieloch; was affectionately known as Pop G to his step-grandchildren, Jules and Zoey Mieloch; and a niece and nephew, Theresa McCarthy and Mark Garone. He was preceded in death by one brother, Thomas Garone.

Funeral services will be held privately at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in his name to the Alzheimer's Association by visiting www.alz.org/donate. Arrangements are being handled by the Campbell - Ennis - Klotzbach Funeral Home, Inc., Phoenixville, PA. Condolences may be offered online at www.PhoenixvilleFuneralHome.com.

Cemetery Details

Phoenixville Crematory, Inc.

610 S. Main Street
Phoenixville, PA 19460

Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Frank Garone.*



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“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Frank Garone.

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“ *When I was at college out of state (and sometimes lonely and homesick!) Frank would email me to share messages of love and inspiration. He always told me that he looked forward to seeing me at the holidays, that he loved me, and that he saw bright things for me in my future. Frank would follow up in person, asking me about my life, what I was reading, and what was interesting to me at the time. We're both very opinionated, so sometimes we'd even get into heated discussions sharing our ideas. I'll always be grateful for the many years of living in Phoenixville, so close to my aunt, uncles, and cousins.*

Angela DeMott - September 15, 2023 at 12:20 PM

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“ I will remember a long and fascinating conversation with Frank a number of years back on Long Island / New York City High School and College basketball. (From the late 60's and 70's !!) Frank knew teams, coaches, and players, even starting lineups from that era. Not as a casual observer - Frank had coached for and against very well known players that made a huge mark on New York basketball. There wasn't a name I could come up with where Frank didn't have a game story or experience that he had seen live and in person. It was like hanging out and speaking with a basketball junkie from the playgrounds of Long Island and NYC on a hot summer night between pickup games.

2nd memory - Deborah and Frank's wedding. Beautiful day, with many family members singing, dancing and having fun. The wedding was celebrated outside, unusual and chancy for the Northeast with our chilly and unpredictable weather. Everything was great outside and it was beautiful but during the recessional after the vows had been exchanged, it started to rain. I remember Deborah and Frank had just entered the building from the outside when the first raindrops came down. Perfect timing and perfect day !!!

Jim Miltner - September 12, 2023 at 04:51 PM

DA

“ I'll remember Frank for his cringe-worthy jokes that always made us smile at backyard bbqs and for his penchant to hand out old pages of his inspirational daily calendars to his friends and family.

Dan - September 12, 2023 at 03:37 PM