



## GERALD "JERRY" SANTOFERRARA

September 12, 1936 - January 19, 2023

Gerald "Jerry" Santoferrara, 86, of Syracuse, passed away peacefully at home with his loving family on January 19th, 2023.

Jerry was born in Syracuse, NY on September 12th, 1936 to the late Carlo and Adeline (Dilanza) Santoferrara. He attended Solvay Schools and graduated in 1953. Shortly after, he enlisted in the Navy where he served in the submariner force on the USS Chivo. Following his service in the US Navy, Jerry became a firefighter with the City of Syracuse Fire Department serving for 33 years, he retired in 1998 as a lieutenant. As a veteran he was active in the Solvay Community as a member of the Geddes Vets and the Hilltop Club. Jerry was a devoted father and husband. He loved life and made friends where ever he traveled. He was an avid hunter and when he wasn't working, you could find him in his treestand.

Gerald was predeceased by his beloved wife, Florence (Ligoci) Santoferrara, 3 brothers and 2 sisters.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy Bamann; brother, John; 3 sons, Gerald (Tom), Joe (Toni), and Jim (Fran); and 5 grandchildren, Teresa (Errol), Alyssa, Jerry, Gabby, and CJ.

Family and friends may call from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM Tuesday, January 24th at BAGOZZI TWINS FUNERAL HOME, 2601 Milton Avenue. Funeral services will be held 8:45 AM Wednesday January 25th at BAGOZZI TWINS FUNERAL HOME and 9:30 AM at St. Marianne Cope Parish – Our Lady of Peace Church, where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated. The Rite

of Committal and burial will follow in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Lakeland.  
In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in his memory to the American Heart Association or Hospice of CNY.  
Please share online tributes at [www.bagozzitwins.com](http://www.bagozzitwins.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Sacred Heart Cemetery-Lakeland

Corner of Lawrence and Beach Roads  
Lakeland, NY

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

JAN 24. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

BAGOZZI TWINS FUNERAL HOME  
2601 Milton Avenue  
Solvay, NY 13209  
info@bagozzitwinsfh.com  
<http://www.bagozzitwins.com>

## Funeral Service

JAN 25. 8:45 AM (ET)

BAGOZZI TWINS FUNERAL HOME  
2601 Milton Avenue  
Solvay, NY 13209  
info@bagozzitwinsfh.com  
<http://www.bagozzitwins.com>

## Mass of Christian Burial

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JAN 25. 9:30 AM (ET)

ST. MARIANNE COPE PARISH; OUR LADY OF PEACE CHURCH  
203 HALCOMB ST.  
SYRACUSE, NY 13209

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bagozzi Twins Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of GERALD "JERRY" SANTOFERRARA*



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**BAGOZZI TWINS FUNERAL HOME, INC.** - January 24, 2023 at 11:34 AM

SC

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



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**Sharon Cronin** - January 24, 2023 at 01:07 PM

SC

*Our family thinks the world of Nancy & Jerry. They were a second family to our daughter, Caitlin who attended Syracuse University. They came to Vail, Colorado to attend Caitlin and Cole's wedding in 4/19. We had such a wonderful time with them. We have great memories of all of our Syracuse visits. Jerry was the best, so kind and compassionate and loving and full of life. Peace be with you, Jerry and may you rest in peace. We love you.  
The Cronin Family.*

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**Sharon Cronin** - January 24, 2023 at 01:11 PM

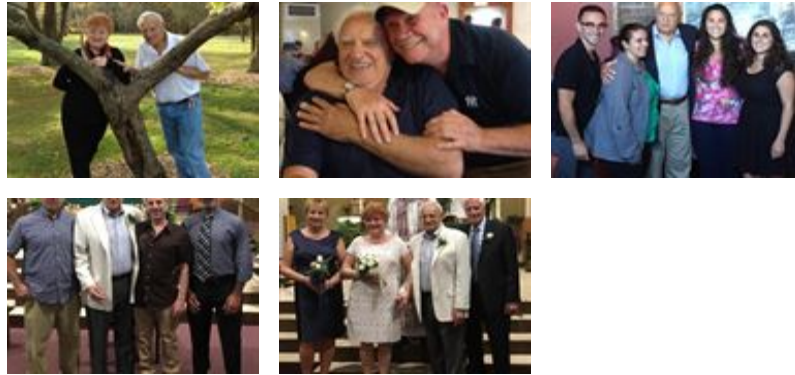
DA

“ *My sincere condolences to Jerry’s family. He was my officer for awhile at Truck 3. He was a wonderful guy, and a great lieutenant. A pleasure to work with.*

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**Dave Akkoul** - January 24, 2023 at 12:42 PM



“ *30 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**BAGOZZI TWINS FUNERAL HOME, INC.** - January 24, 2023 at 11:26 AM

NW

“ *Dear Nancy.....Walt and I are so sorry to hear of Jerry’s passing. So grateful to have met him over the years with most recent in Vail, CO at Caitlin’s wedding. Our heartfelt sympathy to you. Know our prayers and thoughts are with you during this difficult time. Love you ....Nan and Walter Werther*

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**Nan Werther** - January 23, 2023 at 05:22 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of GERALD "JERRY" SANTOFERRARA.*



January 23, 2023 at 01:14 PM



“ *University Delaware Figure Skating Club purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of GERALD "JERRY" SANTOFERRARA.*



**University Delaware Figure Skating Club** - January 23, 2023 at 09:11 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of GERALD "JERRY" SANTOFERRARA.*



January 22, 2023 at 05:32 PM



“ *My sincere condolences to the Santoferrara family. Jerry was one heck of a fine Firefighter and it was my pleasure to serve and work with with Him. R.I.P. brother.*

**William Townsend SFD/retired** - January 22, 2023 at 02:51 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of GERALD "JERRY" SANTOFERRARA.*



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January 22, 2023 at 01:55 PM



“ *Jerry was such a bright light in those he befriended. Our friendship was instant and deep. We spent many good times together, over the past 20 years and I always made sure I made cookies for him as we all know, he had a sweet tooth. Jerry and Nancy had a short but full life together and there is an emptiness in our lives, for those that loved Jerry. He will always be remembered with his impish grin and gentle spirt. BOB AND EVE May*



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**Evelyn Lillian May** - January 22, 2023 at 12:20 PM



“ *On behalf of The Syracuse & Onondaga County Fire Museum, we offer our most heartfelt condolences to you and your family during this time of great sadness, on the passing of your favorite firefighter, Gerald "Jerry" Santoferrara. We thank him for his heroic and dedicated service to our community and we pray that he shall rest in eternal peace.*

*Honoring the past, protecting the future.*

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**James Ennis** - January 22, 2023 at 12:56 AM

JE

“ *To Jerry's Family and Friends:*

*We join in extending our sincere heartfelt sympathy to you and your family during this most difficult time. May happier memories help to sustain you and bring you comfort through this period of sorrow, and may the joy and laughter of his life, far outweigh the pain of his passing.*

*He will indeed be missed, but never forgotten.*

*With love and prayers,*

*Jim Ennis & Sandra Winkworth*

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**James Ennis** - January 22, 2023 at 12:53 AM

LB

“ *So sorry to hear of Jerry's passing. He is our cousin. We didn't see him a lot but when we did he always had a big smile for us. Our condolences for his family. Lynn & Livia Blakeslee & Carmen and Teri Santa Ferrara*

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**Livia Blakeslee** - January 21, 2023 at 09:38 PM

JS

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**Jerry Santoferrara** - January 21, 2023 at 07:44 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Jerry Santoferrara** - January 21, 2023 at 07:41 PM

LM

“ TO THE SANTOFERRARA FAMILY MY CONDOLIENCE

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**Leonardo Medico** - January 21, 2023 at 04:59 PM

GR

“ *Nancy, Joe, Jerry and Jim, We are sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Mr Santoferrara was always so kind to me and I enjoyed visiting with him at family gatherings.*

*All our love, Grace Medico Young, Tom, Gordon and Leo Medico*

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**Grace** - January 21, 2023 at 04:58 PM



“ GERALD "JERRY" SANTOFERRARA

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January 21, 2023 at 02:11 PM

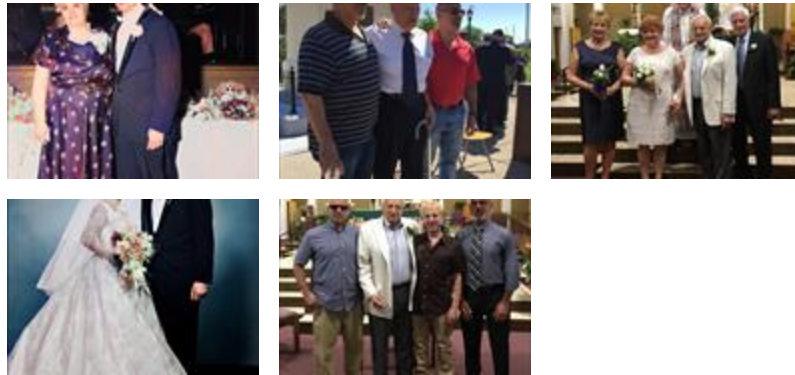
JC

*We loved Gerry very very much. He was an extremely kind person with a terrific disposition. I have nothing but great memories of my visits with Gerry. Sending our love to Nancy and all his family members.*

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**Jim Cronin** - January 21, 2023 at 06:47 PM

JS

“ 6 files added to the album Memories



**Jerry Santoferrara** - January 21, 2023 at 01:17 PM

BF

“ *Barbara Harrison and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of GERALD "JERRY" SANTOFERRARA.*



**Barbara Harrison and Family** - January 21, 2023 at 01:07 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of GERALD "JERRY" SANTOFERRARA.*



January 21, 2023 at 11:48 AM