



Francis L. Curley Jr.

August 13, 1946 - January 10, 2025

Frankie Curley, born on August 13, 1946, in the Bronx, New York, passed away peacefully on January 10, 2025, in Middletown, New York.

Frankie dedicated his career to the NYC Parks Department, where his efforts contributed to the beauty and vitality of the city he loved. Beyond his professional accomplishments, Frankie found joy in life's simple pleasures. He had a deep affection for children and animals, forming meaningful connections that reflected his kind and compassionate spirit. He also enjoyed drawing and reading, pursuits that allowed him to express his creativity and find peace.

For over 20 years, Frankie volunteered at Circleville Elementary School, giving his time and energy to support the community and inspire young minds. His dedication to service was a testament to his generous heart.

Frankie's memory will live on in the hearts of those who knew him. May his legacy of kindness, creativity, and service bring comfort to all who mourn his passing.

Frankie is survived by his beloved wife, Ellen Curley, and their three children: Jon, Michael, and Nicole. He was also a joyful grandfather to six grandchildren: Kaila, Connor, Gavin, Liam, Katelynn, and Noah. The proud

son of Catherine Curley (née McLaughlin), and dedicated sibling of Lillian and Thomas Curley. His family was the cornerstone of his life and brought him immense pride and joy.

A memorial service will take place at Martinez-Morse Funeral Home 33 Railroad Ave, Middletown, NY, on Monday, January 20th from 4:00pm - 8:00pm.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN **20**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Martinez Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Francis L. Curley Jr.



Martinez Funeral Homes - January 16, 2025 at 02:56 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Francis L. Curley Jr..



January 20, 2025 at 10:44 AM



“ Sorry for your loss Ellen. Thinking of you and your family 🙏 Maria Arias

Maria Arias - January 19, 2025 at 05:12 PM



“ In my mind's eye I can see Frankie in his air force uniform standing on the corner of Archer Street in the Bronx. All the girls thought he was kinda cute. But we also learned that he was very sweet. My cousin Ellen married him on Valentine's Day fifty years ago. So when I saw the photos in the video display - one image struck me - Frankie holding a baby content and safe in his protective embrace. That was Frankie, a kind, compassionate man. He will be missed. My heart breaks for Ellen, Nicole, Jon and Michael and all the grands. Patty Lamasney

Patricia Girty - January 18, 2025 at 09:29 AM



“ Love, Laura and Richard Fischer purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Francis L. Curley Jr..



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“ I met Frank in 2002 when his granddaughter Kaila was in my kindergarten class. He showed up asking to volunteer and came back almost every single day that year! My most favorite story from that year was from December. The office called before the start of the day to tell me that Mr. Curley called and said Kaila was sick. My first thought was oh no, we had been working on grass and he was doing most of it! But before I could say anything, the secretary said, he also said these children need to finish step one of the craft we were working on. I had to laugh I told all of my friends that Mr. Curley called in sub plans! That night when I called to check on Kaila, his wife Ellen answered the phone, she informed me that Frank told her if Kaila was still sick on Friday she would have to take a day off of work so he could come back to do crafts in my classroom! She informed him that he was a volunteer and she was getting paid! So that wasn't going to happen! He put a smile on so many faces at Circleville elementary school, especially mine as he showed up to volunteer in my classroom not only when I had his grandchildren But almost every other year until Covid and I retired!! Even when his grandsons were younger, and he was taking care of them he still showed up occasionally with boxes of crayons all of the kindergarten classrooms or just come take some pictures special events! Mr. Curley made CDs for every child in my class of pictures from the year. He would use pictures that he took, and once I took in would share with him. He even did artwork for the cover for the CD! The list goes on and on of the wonderful things and memories that I have shared with him he will be greatly missed!

Donna Boncek - January 16, 2025 at 02:44 PM