



Mr. Joseph Paul Ferrante

August 25, 2015

JOSEPH FERRANTE

As fine and gentle a man as anyone would ever know. His career as a Master Musician and outstanding Swing Jazz Trumpet Player was long and distinguished. He started with some small local bands back in the late 1930's, landing a spot on the Glenn Miller Orchestra in the early 40's. From then on it was a succession of all the great Bands, like Benny Goodman, Charlie Barnet, and Gene Krupa, the fabulous Drummer.

At one point in the early 1940's He spent some time in the Army during WW II veteran. Upon separation from the Army, he resumed his musical career working with a huge number of the most famous bands; like Maynard Ferguson, Woody Herman and Buddy Rich, all the while making over 54 recordings and Albums that spanned almost 70 years. In all of these bands and many other venues, , Joe performed at Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, and the entire first running of 42nd Street on Broadway. As a member of the NBC Orchestra, he performed with wildly popular singers like Tony Bennett, Nat King Cole, Barbara Striesand, Liza Minnelli, and the Johnny Carson Tonight Show with Doc Severinsen for 10 years.

He spent a good deal of his time on tour with Frank Sinatra and made a number of Albums with him.

A long career, Joe was a great and gentle man who never had a negative word to say about anyone in his lifetime.

Joseph is predeceased by his loving wife Billie, and is survived by his son Jonathan and his wife Vincenza of Middletown, NY, Daughter Bonnie of Nanuet, NY, his brother Nat in CT, sister Yolanda in FL, and many nieces and nephews.

A graveside service will be held on August 29, 2015 at George Washington Memorial Park Cemetery in Paramus, NJ at 2pm. The family and friends will meet at the main office of the cemetery.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to DeWitt Funeral Home, Pine Bush, NY. Messages of condolences can be left at www.DeWittFH.com

In lieu of flowers, the family will be accepting donations to assist with funeral expenses.

Cemetery Details

George Washington Memorial Park Cemetery

PO Box 21
Paramaus, NJ 07653

Previous Events

Graveside Service

AUG **29**. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

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