

Louis F. Tagliatela, Sr.

October 15, 1919 - January 16, 2014

Louis F. Tagliatela, Sr “Lou”, 94, passed away on January 16, 2014 at his home in North Haven. Lou was born in New Haven on October 15, 1919 to the late Francesco and Guiseppina Bazarro Tagliatela. At age 13 Lou built a tree house which was the delight of the neighborhood children. Lou graduated from Hamden High School where he won a statewide design competition for a model power boat he created. After high school Lou migrated to California and designed tools and parts first for Caterpillar Tractor and subsequently for several companies in the growing aircraft industry. Among Lou’s fondest California memories was riding his horse, Mr. Jackson, and taking horseback lessons from Jay Silverheel who subsequently played the role of Tanto on the Lone Ranger TV series. In WW II Lou volunteered for service and applied his drafting talents to creating maps for the high command in India and Burma. After the war he re-energized Franklin Construction, a single family home construction firm founded by his father. Lou said that when he first met Mary Pagnataro he knew she was the one. They married in 1946. Lou built churches, schools, apartment buildings, hotels and condominiums. Mary, a tireless worker, actively participated in operating North Haven Health & Racquet and later Saybrook Point Inn. They raised three children all of whom joined in the family businesses which include Saybrook Point Inn & Marina, North Haven Health & Racquet and numerous apartment complexes. Lou established the Tagliatela School of Engineering at the University of New Haven and the Tagliatela School of Business at Albertus Magnus College.

With his family he established the Louis F. & Mary A. Tagliatela Charitable Foundation. In 1991 Lou was chosen Entrepreneur of the Year in Real Estate and Construction for Southern New England. Lou served as a bank director for 30 years and was a lifetime member of the Amity Club. He enjoyed solving business problems with his children and having Mary work with him. Lou is survived by his wife of 67 years, Mary; son, Louis F. Tagliatela Jr. (wife, Deborah, daughters, Melissa and Lauren, grandson, Aiden); daughter, Tricia Tagliatela; son, Stephen Tagliatela (wife, Viola, daughters Stephanie and Caroline); brother, Frank of Orange; and sister, Josephine D'Amato of Wallingford. Predeceased by his sisters, Mary and Rosemary Tagliatela, Edythe Sciarra, Madeline Bertolini and Anne Carrano, brothers, Ralph and Paul. The family wishes to express its heartfelt appreciation for the exceptional caregivers (Michelle Wilson, Christina Muratti, Carrolle Jean, Anna Lozano and Lisa Lozano) who watched over Lou in his last days. The family requests that donations in memory of Louis Tagliatela be made payable to the Father McGivney Center at YNHH c/o YNHH Development Department PO Box 1849 New Haven, CT 06508. Attn: Lucy Sirico., or National Multiple Sclerosis Society, 659 Tower Ave., 1st FL, Hartford, CT 06112.

Friends are invited to attend Mass of Christian Burial at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, 2819 Whitney Avenue, Hamden, CT on Monday 11 am. Burial will be in All Saints Cemetery, 700 Middletown Ave, North Haven, with Military Honors. There will be no calling hours. To send a condolence to the family please see obituary www.siskbrothers.com. Sisk Brothers Funeral Home 3105 Whitney Ave. Hamden in care of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

All Saints Cemetery

700 Middletown Ave.
North Haven, CT

Previous Events

Funeral service

JAN 20. 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church
2819 Whitney Ave.
Hamden, CT

Tribute Wall

D'

“ My deepest sympathy to all in your family for the loss you have suffered. May you find comfort in your family, friends and the future promises in God's word. He has promised to end death forever and reunite us with our dear loved ones (Rev 21:4 & John 5:28, 29) May you continue to remember the fond memories of your loved one

D'Anita - February 03, 2014 at 10:26 AM

GH

“ We here at Golden Horizons offer our deepest condolences to the Tagliatela family. It was a privilege and honor to have been given the opportunity to serve Mr. “Tag”. He was a fine man with a great sense of humor; filled with integrity and well loved. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

*Warmest regards,
Golden Horizons*

Golden Horizons - January 23, 2014 at 01:46 PM

ED

“ Steve and Mrs. Tag,

I read the death notice upon my return to work this evening. You have my prayers and condolences.

Ed Dimitry

Ed Dimitry - January 22, 2014 at 05:56 PM

SP

“ *To Steve and the Tagliatela family,*

We were so sorry to hear of the passing of your dad. May all your fondest memories of him fill you now to ease some of the pain during this difficult time.

*With sincere sympathy,
Thom and Sharon Parrino*

s & t parrino - January 22, 2014 at 11:41 AM

RM

“ *Dear Tagliatela Family:*

We were very saddened to hear of the passing of Louis, Sr. He was a remarkable man and a true gentleman. He taught us a lot about family, vision, determination, hard work, and making a difference.

Through all his success, he remained humble and generous. His charitable work has touched many lives and made a lasting difference for so many.

We will miss him dearly. May you all find strength in what remains behind.

With our deepest sympathies,

Bob Sbriglio, MD & the Sbriglio Family

Robert Sbriglio, MD - January 21, 2014 at 10:24 PM

CC

“ Stephen and Viola,

*We are saddened to learn of your father's passing.
He was a remarkable man and we were blessed to have
known him.
The Caldarella Family wishes to express our sincere
condolences to you and your family.*

cal caldarella - January 20, 2014 at 06:36 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of
Louis F. Tagliatela, Sr..



January 20, 2014 at 06:34 PM

HC

“ My sincerest sympathies go out to the Tagliatela family. It was an
honor treating and getting to know Lou for the last 30 years. The
generosity and integrity that he displayed in his community will
forever be remembered.

Sincerely, Howard Charney DDS

Howard Charney - January 20, 2014 at 11:05 AM

MB

“ Dear Stephen, Louis and Tricia, so sorry to hear of the loss of your dad. Although I only met him briefly several times, I know his charitable work has had such a positive impact in the lives of so many people. I know your family is very proud of all his accomplishments. Stay strong during these difficult times.

All the very best,

Michael Belfonti

Michael Belfonti - January 20, 2014 at 09:26 AM

EV

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you, Mom Louis, Stephen, and Tricia. during this difficult time. Our loved ones never really leave us; they are forever in our hearts and minds. May the memories and joy of so many years together comfort you and bring you peace now. Dad built not only buildings of brick and steel, but also foundations for successful, happy and productive lives of those he loved most, his family. His accomplishments are staggering. God bless you, Dad, you will be truly missed but live forever in our hearts. Thank you for everything. Much love, Elena

Elena Vezzetti - January 19, 2014 at 10:46 PM

EV

“ Mom, Tricia, Louis and Stephen, my thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. May the lifetime of memories and joy of remembering give you a measure of peace. Dad built more than buildings of brick and steel, he built foundations for meaningful and purposeful lives in tribute to his family and those he loved. His generosity and spirit will always be remembered. How very blessed are the loved ones he left behind...for his life's work was for them. We will miss you Dad, Grandpa....May you rest forever in peace and know that you will live on always in our hearts.

Much love,
Elena

Elena Vezzetti - January 19, 2014 at 09:23 PM

EV

“ Elena Vezzetti lit a candle in memory of Louis F. Tagliatela, Sr.



Elena Vezzetti - January 19, 2014 at 09:14 PM

BD

Dear Mrs T and family,
My heart felt sympathy to all of you in this time of sadness. In the short time I knew Mr T he always knew how to make me laugh and I will treasure that memory for every. You are all in my heart and prayers.
Love Always, Billy DiCrosta

Billy DiCrosta - January 19, 2014 at 10:54 PM

DC

“ Dear Stephen, Viola and family, We send our condolences to you and the entire family on the passing of your father, Louis. He was a remarkable man who certainly lived a full life and made an amazing contribution to society in his many endeavors. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you. Donna, Bill Coronato and family

donna coronato - January 19, 2014 at 06:37 PM



“ Mrs. TAG
My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in this difficult time.
Warm regards,
Yada and Ivan Hernandez.

Yahira Nieves - January 19, 2014 at 06:16 PM

PC

“ Our deepest sympathies to Stephen and the entire Tagliatela family. God Bless you all with strength and healing through this difficult time. Mr. "Tag" Sr. will be missed.

Warmest regards,
Patricio & Grace Cirino

Patricio & Grace Cirino - January 19, 2014 at 04:26 PM

LM

“ Lisa M. purchased the Our Deepest Sympathy Gourmet Gift Basket for the family of Louis F. Tagliatela, Sr..



Lisa M. - January 19, 2014 at 04:18 PM



“ *My condolences to Stephen, Viola and the entire Tagliatelle family. My son Jack worked for a summer at Saybrook Point Inn in the restaurant and room service. He would often come home talking about the sweetest couple -- Mr. and Mrs. Tagliatelle -- who were so nice and always treated him kindness and respect. It was a great lesson for a young man and we will remember your father fondly.*

In sympathy,

Steve and Terri Kinney

Stephen Kinney - January 19, 2014 at 02:15 PM

LG

“ *There is a multi-generational family friendship and history, both with the Pagnataro and the Tagliatela families and the Gold family. Lou was the paradigm for all of the values and ethics that we embrace. May his memory serve as a blessing and inspiration to all of his family and friends. I join in your sadness as I celebrate a life well lived!*

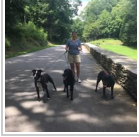
Lindy Lee Gold

Lindy Lee Gold - January 19, 2014 at 10:00 AM

EM

“ *To Lauren and the Tagliatela family:
Our deepest sympathy.
Ed, Anna and Ed JR. Martini*

Edward Martini - January 19, 2014 at 09:43 AM



“ *To Stephen and the entire Tagliatela family;
My heart aches for you all. I feel very blessed to have known such a wonderful, kind, vibrant, and inspirational man. I have so many fond memories over the years. I know you are all so proud of the life he led. Take comfort in each other and know that he is at peace.*

Darcy&Scott Allen

Darcy Allen - January 18, 2014 at 11:16 PM

JB

“ *I will always remember the wonderful times on Bradley Avenue ...so glad to have seen both of you at Saybrook Point last year before my husbands death... those who have given of themselves to others will live forever in every single heart they have touched... remembering with you one life that has touched so many others... the twins...*

*Janet Pesenti Barbiuto and
Jean Pesenti Thomas*

Janet Barbiuto - January 18, 2014 at 08:06 PM

FG

“ *To Mary and the entire Tagliatella family I, and my wife Mary send our sincere condolences on Lou's passing. We were Amity Club Brothers and I admired him and enjoyed his friendship and good humor. He has set a fine example as an extraordinary man, an achiever, a man of faith, a loving husband and father, a philanthropist, a pursuer of the American dream. He is surely in heaven and will bless you all as you go on.*

*We are in California visiting our daughter and will not be able to attend the mass, but we will remember him in our mass out here.
Frank and Mary Grazioso*

Frank and Mary Grazioso - January 18, 2014 at 05:29 PM

MP

“*Mrs. Tagliatela; I am so saddened to learn of Mr. Tag's passing. Please know you, Lou Jr, Trish and Steve are all in my thoughts and prayers. May God forever bless you all.-Mark Pierce*

Mark J. Pierce - January 18, 2014 at 04:18 PM

JL

“*To the Tagliatela and extended Saybrook Point Inn family: "Mr. Tag" has a profound effect on me when I served as general manager of Saybrook Point. He was one of the few people I have ever met who could teach you a lesson just by the way he acted. His principles and ethics were admirable. I cannot make the trip to be there for the funeral due to business; my sympathies to everyone. John Lombardo (and Darci).*

John Lombardo - January 18, 2014 at 03:33 PM

CS

“*To the Tagliatela Family
Paula and I were extremely saddened to hear of the passing of "Mr. Tag". I will always remember how we looked forward to his arrival at the Inn each weekend. He both calmed and energized the staff with his presence. His thoughtfulness and smile were always an inspiration. Our sincere condolences go to all of his family.*

Paula and Curt Singer

Curt Singer - January 18, 2014 at 02:47 PM

GS

“ *To the Tagliatela Family;*

I am saddened to hear of his passing. It is my hope that with time the sadness that you feel now will be replaced by many warm memories that will keep him close.

George Synodi

George Synodi - January 18, 2014 at 01:56 PM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Louis F. Tagliatela, Sr..*



January 18, 2014 at 01:20 PM

BR

“ *Lou, Debbie and the entire Tagliatela family.*

My sister called this morning to inform us of your father's passing Lou. It was a beautiful obituary and our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. He fought for a long time and is now resting peacefully. Hopefully, you all have comfort in your memories and knowing he is not suffering.

Judie & Bill Rittaler

Bill & Judie Rittaler - January 18, 2014 at 12:59 PM

SB

“ Lou and Family, So sorry to hear about your Dad's passing. He fought a valiant fight but God needed him with him now. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you. He was an amazing man, a true role model for us all.

Steve and Judy Van Blarcom

Steve Van Blarcom - January 18, 2014 at 12:39 PM

SC

“ To the Tagliatela family, Our deepest sympathy and prayers upon hearing of the passing of Lou. My Dad, John Jarvie, worked many years at Franklin Construction as account. My sister and I both remember going to the office with him. My Dad highly respected Lou and the work he was doing. Our thoughts are with you all at this time. Sincerely, Susan (Jarvie) Chiarelli , MaryJane (Jarvie) Emmerich and families

Susan Chiarelli - January 18, 2014 at 10:01 AM

CC

“ Stephen, Viola & Family: I just Read of the passing of your Father ... I Know that the past few years have been a struggle but he was a remarkable Father & Human Being ! My deepest Condolences to you and your Family Carl & Linda Cooper ... Deerfield Beach FL.

Carlton Cooper - January 18, 2014 at 08:54 AM

WH

“ *To the Tagliatela Family*
We are saddened to hear the news. Lou was a man of vision and accomplishment and an example to all.
His legacy lives on in his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.
William Hunter, Sr.
William Hunter, Jr.

William Hunter - January 18, 2014 at 08:01 AM

AR

“ *Dear Lauren,... So sorry to hear of the passing of your grandfather. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. My deepest sympathy!*

Sincerely,
Art Rosenberg

Art Rosenberg - January 18, 2014 at 06:20 AM

LT

“ *Grandpa, You're going to be a tough act to follow. But I wanted to thank you for all the opportunities you've given and me (and my cousins!) You've given us the best gift of all...an education. Now you have a teacher, an artist, soon to be PH.D. and one member of the 4th generation in the business you grew. We should all be so lucky to accomplish half of what you've done in your 94 years. You and your jokes will be greatly missed at the head of the family table. Go in peace.*

Lauren

Lauren Tagliatela - January 17, 2014 at 03:10 PM

AR

Dear Lauren, So sorry to hear of the passing of your Granpa! Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

*Sincerely,
Art Rosenberg*

art rosenberg - January 18, 2014 at 06:32 AM

KR

*Dear Lauren,
I just got finished reading your grandpa's obituary. He was quite a guy! What an accomplished life he led. I wish Amanda had gotten a chance to know him. So many of the things he did in life made the world a better place. He left behind quite a legacy. We should all be so blessed. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family as you go through this difficult time.*

Karen Rostkowski - January 19, 2014 at 09:36 AM

KR

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*Warm regards,
Karen*

Karen Rostkowski - January 19, 2014 at 09:40 AM

JM

“ *To Tagliatela Family:*

Words seem inadequate to express the sadness we feel about Mr. Tags death.

We are here to support you in your griving process.

With sincere sympathy,

Pat and Joanna Marchitto

Joanna Marchitto - January 17, 2014 at 02:36 PM