



Frank E. Galletano

June 1, 1951 - March 6, 2010

Mattoon, IL-Frank E. Galletano, age 58, of Mattoon, IL, passed away at 7:25 a.m., Saturday, March 6, 2010, at the Veteran's Home in Danville, IL. A graveside service in his honor will begin at 11:00 a.m., Thursday, March 11, 2010 at Dodge Grove Cemetery, Mattoon, IL, with Pastor Tom Pullen officiating. Military rites will be conducted by Mattoon VFW Post 4325.

Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, located at 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL 61938, is assisting the family with arrangements. Mr. Galletano was born June 1, 1951, in Montgomery, AL, the son of Natividad and Mary (Cobb) Galletano. His mother survives in Mattoon, IL. Other survivors include two children, Frank and Jamie Black, both of Decatur, IL; a brother, Dale Galletano of Mattoon, IL; and two grandchildren, Victoria Morgan White of Bluffton, SC and Delaney Kwasny-Black of Decatur, IL. Mr. Galletano served our country with the United States Marines from 1969 to 1973. He later made his living as a truck driver. He was a life member of the Mattoon VFW Post 4325, and a member of the Mattoon American Legion. In his free time, the only thing he enjoyed more than riding his motorcycle was spending time with family and friends. He loved the holidays and family gatherings. Please visit www.mitchell-jerdan.com to light a virtual candle in his honor or share a memory with his family.

Tribute Wall



“ *Frank E. Galletano*

October 08, 2023 at 07:40 PM

RS

“ I know this is going to sound unusual but here goes. My name is Rob Stull. My dad's name is Bob Stull and went by the nickname Schleprock. He was a founding member, vice president, president, and still a life long member of The Family M/C. He actually sponsored Frank as a prospect. I don't know if anyone will see this or not because sadly I just now found out he passed away. The reason for my search was to try and return some of his personal belongings. My dad had a stroke and doesn't get around the greatest. He also was a Vietnam Vet, like many others in the club. The Nam Vets are all getting up there in age and many of them I knew had a pretty wild time back in the day. Anyway, my parent's sold some property with an old barn that sat on it. It was too much for them to take care of. Some friends and I cleaned out all the stuff inside and I came across a box with a bunch of stuff inside that was mostly related to his time in the Marines and over in Vietnam. He has a photo album full of pictures from over there. He has awards for his physical fitness and learning to speak Vietnamese. I didn't snoop through everything but there are even certificates of recognition for playing sports in grade school. My dad and I always wondered what happened to Frank and this morning while I was working on my Jeep I had to move this box and something just told me to Google his name. Sadly this is where my search led me. It's bittersweet because I have an answer now for myself and my dad but not the one I wanted. I was a kid growing up around all these bikers but I remember your son, brother, and dad well. He actually stayed with us for a short time. If my memory is correct he had a black HD Lowrider that he rode back then. He use to come down our road standing on the seat of his bike with his hands out to his side like he was surfing. We had a couple other people in the club that lived on the same street. I believe Rita Garrison took a picture of him doing it. This was many years ago but I always remembered that. I also remember when he was into martial arts. I was as a kid myself so I remember this. I heard a story about him trying it out on an old refrigerator one time and I guess the next morning by the way he felt the refrigerator must have won. I guess that's enough of me going on. If any of his children would like to have this stuff you

can contact me at 517-416-0599. I know it's been like 11 years since he passed and a lot can happen in that time. This may all fall on deaf ears but it was worth a try. I was hoping to reconnect my dad and him but I'm sure they'll see each other in the future. I'm sorry for your loss. My family and The Family thought of Frank as family at one time.

Rob Stull - January 13, 2021 at 02:53 AM

FB

I sent you a message. Hope to hear back.

FRANK BLACK - February 10 at 12:56 AM

TB

“ *I know today was Frank's B-day n tried to call him as I have many times in the past. I couldn't find his number so I started looking and found out he passed. We spent 10 wonderful years together while he was in the Family bike club and also after. I and my family will miss him terribly. Have alot of happy memories. He loved all 3 of his children dearly, but know he didn't spend as much time as he would have liked with him. I do remember visiting his mother Mary in Ky. and Dale and Connie in Matton. All 3 of you people were the world to him, especially mom. Sorry it took so long for me to say and hear n hope this will still reach his family. He referrered to me as baby, as well as the bike, and the dog, think at 1 time i was the fav of the 3. I will miss him forever and remember him well. Tina If anyone gets this and wishes to talk , call me at (810) 874-6872*

Tina Bailey Barnes - June 01, 2013 at 06:08 PM

SG

“ Frank, I loved you the first minute I saw you at Baptist Hospital. Though we've been apart for many years, I still prayed for you many, many nights and asked God to watch over you. You will always have my heart. To Mary, Dale, Connie and Frankie: I am so sorry for your loss. I can't find the right words. I just found out last night that he died and I've been a wreck. Thank you, Frankie, for coming to our house in Okla that time. I hope you were able to forge some type of relationship with your Dad. He was a good man, he just lost his way a little. He talked of you all the time and I spent many nights holding him as he cried for you. I never got to meet Jamie, but I know he loved you, too. Remember that as you think of him. Frank, I will see you again in heaven. Watch for me. All my love, Sharron Galletano

Sharron Galletano - April 17, 2010 at 12:58 AM

JB

“ Dad, I miss you... I know you are watching over me and Frankie...I am sorry we were not more apart of eachothers lives...i think of you daily, and love you very much\r\n\r\nYour Daughter-Jamie

Jamie Black - March 17, 2010 at 11:38 PM

JB

“ Dad, I will miss you dearly. I am sorry that we were not more a part of eachothers lives...I think of you daily, and love you very much. Please watch over me and Frankie....

jamie Black - March 17, 2010 at 11:29 PM

LH

“ Mary, Dale and Family,\r\n\r\nI am sorry for your loss. Thinking of you!\r\n\r\nLove, Liz

Liz Hoover-Finley - March 11, 2010 at 01:07 AM

LL

“ God Bless Frank and All of His Family and Friends! I am very grateful for having known Frank. We spent some great times camping, dancing and riding on Blackie. For those that don't know, Frank could do the twist better than anyone!! God Bless.....

Loretta A. Lowe - March 10, 2010 at 11:13 PM

JF

“ To Aunt Kate - I am sorry to hear about Cousin Frank, and wish I could be there for you.

Joseph Edwards & Family - March 10, 2010 at 03:26 AM

LB

“ Frank...I will miss you dearly, I am so blessed to have been a part of your life. My heart and all my love goes out to my husband Frankie, my sister Jamie, my Grandma Mary, and my Uncle Dale along with all of Frank's closest friends at this difficult time. Frank's spirit will live through many of you. \r\n

Laura Black - March 09, 2010 at 11:38 PM