



Frances "Fran" Drury

October 21, 2020

Drury, Frances "Fran" (Fanelli), 85, of North Providence, died peacefully on October 21, 2020 at Rhode Island Hospital following complications from a subarachnoid hemorrhage. She was the beloved wife of Leo Drury.

Born in Providence, daughter of the late Joseph and Anna (Marino) Fanelli and sister of the late Gerald Fanelli. Besides her husband, she is survived by daughter, Julie Cerrito, son Jeffrey Drury (wife Amy Pettine), son Christopher Drury (wife Michaela Cannon) and son Leo Drury (wife Stephanie Drury). She is also survived by her daughter-in-law, Robin Drury, the wife of her son, the late Jason Drury. She was the adoring nonna to nine grandchildren - Walmen, Lee, Shane, Cameron, Samantha, Max, Ainsley, Elijah and Evelyn.

Fran grew up in the Federal Hill section of Providence. She graduated Mount Pleasant High School. She retired as an employee of the State of Rhode Island, working for many years at the Kent County Court House. Always on the go and eager to connect with people, she took up several volunteer roles after retirement, including time at the South Providence Neighborhood Ministries, Butler Hospital, and, for many years, the Providence Performing Art Center. She was also an avid Boston Red Sox fan.

In consideration of the pandemic, services to honor her life will be held in private. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a donation to the Amos House,

460 Pine St, Providence, RI 02907.

To ensure that the family receives any and all online condolences you may wish to share, please submit only to the funeral home's website [www.winfieldandsons.com] and not through a third party. Thank you!

Tribute Wall

MH

“ I am beyond heartbroken for you all over this profound loss. What an absolutely amazing woman - I will always remember her accepting and loving ways - quick with a giggle and a heartfelt smile. I am so so sorry.

With all my love,
Michele Boutier Henkel

Michele Boutier Henkel - November 04, 2020 at 05:23 PM

JC

“ Dear Leo and Family, It was a shock to hear of Fran's passing and our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. She was a great lady and too young and energetic to leave us so soon. She was a strong limb in our family tree and did so much to help us all keep a connection to our roots back in Italy. It was so wonderful that we were all able to get together at your home last February; thank you so much for that. It really brought so much to our family togetherness. We know that "Famiglia" was most important to her. Please be strong in the knowledge that her faith has sustained her and she is in her place of honor among the saints. God bless you and we will be in touch. Linda and Jim Campopiano

Jim&Linda Campopiano - November 03, 2020 at 10:36 AM

MA

“ Dear Leo and Family, There are no words. Fran was my dear friend for many years. She will be greatly missed. Deepest Condolences.
Love, Mary-Jo

Mary-Jo - November 03, 2020 at 09:19 AM

LB

“ So very sorry I'm thinking of you all and prayers for
Peace at this time will miss Fran with love Lisa and Charlie

lisa brown - November 03, 2020 at 06:37 AM

CS

“ My deepest condolences in Fran's passing.

*She was a very sweet lady. I will miss the conversations we would
have at the theater.*

*May the memories of all the good times shared with her bring you
peace and comfort.*

Carol Solimene - November 02, 2020 at 03:13 PM

CU

Fellow PPAC Usher

Carol Solimene-Fellow PPAC Usher - November 02, 2020 at 03:14 PM

JB

“ Dear Leo and Family,

*I just heard the news and I am heartbroken to hear of Fran's
passing.*

*She always treated me as a son from the moment I met her at 19
years old with Jason at the Air Force, she was always so loving,
joyful and kind. Fran was light to everyone around her. I will cherish
her kindness to me forever. Our deepest condolences, from all of
the Baez family. My love to Leo and the rest of the family. We pray
for comfort in the days ahead, Fran's wonderful memory will live on.
-- Joe Baez and family, from Florida.*

Joe Baez - November 02, 2020 at 01:46 PM

AH

“ I will always remember Fran with an abundance of spunk, kindness and joy. My sincere condolences to the entire family. You all are in my heart.

Anne Marie Higgins - November 02, 2020 at 12:46 PM

EB

“ Chris and family-
Al and I were deeply saddened to hear of the loss of your mom. I enjoyed talking with her when we were together at PPAC. She shared wonderful stories about what you were doing. She was proud of you and loved you very much.
Our sympathies,
Ellen Berger

Ellen E Berger - November 02, 2020 at 11:21 AM

AC

“ I never met Fran in person but we connected through Facebook and she became a friend. I was looking forward to meeting her one day when I make my regular visits to Rhode Island and I was shocked to hear that she had passed. I already miss her. Rest in Peace my friend!



Alice Chidzero - November 01, 2020 at 04:59 PM

NS

“ To all the Drury family, I am saddened to hear of Fran's passing 😞 We met on FB thanks to her loving son Leo with whom I worked. She was beautiful inside and out, she had a beautiful heart and was a very welcome friend. I'll miss you Fran 💔

Nancy Simonin - November 01, 2020 at 01:36 PM

JS

“ To the entire Drury family I am very sorry for your loss.

*With deepest sympathy,
Josh Sahler*

Josh Sahler - November 01, 2020 at 10:53 AM

SP

“ To the Drury Family, I would like to express my sincerest condolences. I pray that you find peace in your time of loss. Fran was a gift from God and a blessing to all who knew her. May she rest in peace.

*Kindly,
Steven Palumbo*

Steven Palumbo - November 01, 2020 at 10:47 AM

JP

“ May her memory be a blessing.

Judy Phillips - November 01, 2020 at 10:14 AM

PV

“ Leo,
*I was so sorry to hear about Fran. Working together all those years ago, you always mentioned Fran with such love and devotion. I will keep you and you family in my daily prayers. You have my deepest sympathy,Leo.
Paula (From Literacy)*

Paula Vessella - November 01, 2020 at 10:09 AM

RP

“ Dear Leo and family,

We are saddened to learn of Fran's passing. She was a fun loving and beautiful person.

She was extremely proud of her beloved sons and daughters-in law and was the adored grandmother of her beautiful grandchildren and so proud of the accomplishments of all her sons.

Take comfort in knowing that she has gone to our heavenly home, a place where, if we're as fortunate, will go also.

Our deepest sympathy.

Sal, Regina, Ronnie & Steven Palumbo

Regina Palumbo - November 01, 2020 at 09:57 AM

SL

“ *Mr.Drury, I am sorry for the passing of Mrs. Drury. You were such a beautiful couple. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Sincerely, Stephanie (Walgreens)*

Stephanie Lonardo - October 31, 2020 at 09:19 PM

PP

So sorry for your loss, Leo. Fran was a real sweetheart. Pat Perna

PATRICIA M PERNA - November 01, 2020 at 08:07 AM



So. Sorry. For your loss Francis was. A. Wonderful person who was very loving to all .

Annette & FRANK TUTALO

Annette Tutalo - November 01, 2020 at 12:10 PM

KW

Dear Leo and family - We were so sorry to hear of Fran's passing. I only met her once and talked on the phone a few times, but she was such fun! I know you will miss her very much.

Karen & Dave Wilburn

Karen Wilburn - November 01, 2020 at 05:38 PM

MM

Dear Leo and Family --

It has been many years since I have seen Fran, but I will never forget what a wonderful person she was, and friend to my mother, Phyllis Bucci, who passed 23 years ago -- a quick wit with a kind and caring heart. Please accept my deepest sympathy on your loss of such a loving partner.

Marianne Martin

Marianne Martin - November 01, 2020 at 08:01 PM