



Carmelo Mallia

January 20, 1935 - October 5, 2023

Carmelo Mallia, of Rolla, Missouri, formerly of New York City, New York passed away at Oak Pointe of Rolla at the age of 88. Carmelo was born in Paola, Malta on January 20, 1935 to the late Anthony and Carmen (Zammit) Mallia.

Carmelo was united in marriage to Sandra Cadile, this union was blessed with two children. Carmelo was born and raised in Malta during the war, known as the Siege of Malta. His father was a prison guard and Carmelo was known to hang out at the prison and loved telling stories about helping his father at the prison, his favorite was telling the time that he ran into a Nazi soldier walking through their field, he captured him and turned him over to his father at the prison, he was probably 8 at this time. His family migrated to New York and Carmelo earned his master's degree in social work, he worked in the Family Services office in New York his entire working career. He loved New York City, between the arts, music, and the theater district, he knew this was where he was supposed to be. Carmelo spoke six languages; he was very familiar with all the boroughs of the city. He made many friends throughout the city and one day while out walking in the city pushing his friend in a wheelchair, not knowing where Carmelo was from, he was reminiscing about dropping bombs on Malta when he was a young pilot. He was a very social man who never met a stranger. He loved people and loved to laugh and make others laugh. He enjoyed listening to classical music, doing crossword puzzles, he especially loved the New York Times crossword puzzles. Carmelo really loved

his family, he was especially glad when he moved to Missouri to be close to family, and he was extremely fond of the family dog, a Maltese, whom he swears was his favorite family member because it was a FULL Maltese like him. He will be lovingly missed by his family and those that knew and loved him.

Carmelo is survived by his daughter Lydia Lewis and husband Tim of Rolla Mo; brother Tony Mallia and wife Linda of New York City, New York; grandchildren Nicholas Lewis and Noah Lewis; along with great grandchildren Mallia Lewis, and Alistair Lewis. He was preceded in death by his wife Rosalita Mallia and son Lance Mallia. Services for Carmelo Mallia will be held on Saturday October 14th at 11:00 AM at the James and Gahr Mortuary in Rolla Missouri, with internment to follow at the St. James Cemetery in St. James Missouri.

Cemetery Details

St. James Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **14**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

James & Gahr Mortuary - Rolla
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Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Carmelo Mallia.

October 13, 2023 at 09:34 AM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Carmelo Mallia.



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“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Carmelo Mallia.

October 10, 2023 at 03:36 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Carmelo Mallia.



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“ Jerry, Deanna, Lance, Darlene Link & Fam purchased the *Fairest of All* for the family of Carmelo Mallia.



Jerry, Deanna, Lance, Darlene Link & Fam - October 10, 2023
at 01:31 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Carmelo Mallia.

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“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Carmelo Mallia.



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