



Mr. Carmelo Ferrara

April 29, 1936 - April 21, 2025

Carmelo Ferrara, 88 of Schiller Park formerly of Stone Park, was born into eternal life on April 20, 2025 after a courageous six year battle with lung cancer. He was the loving father of Rena (the late Michael) McClead, Andrew Ferrara, Maria/Betty (Michael) Zumpano, and Josephine Ferrara. Fond grandpa of Michael (Jenny) McClead, Deanna (Eddie) Lagunas, Carmen (Briana) Ferrara, Andrea (Paul) Cantu, Maria Buttacavoli, Dominic Zumpano, Lianna (Byron) Nolasco, Nina Ferrara, and Jonathon Esposito; Fond great grandpa of 17 + 1 more on the way; Loving zio and uncle to many nieces and nephews; Beloved and loyal friend to so many.

Carmelo came to America with his wife Maria and his 2 children in March of 1963 from Acquadolci Messina, Sicily Italy. He worked hard as a cement laborer and ultimately became foreman for Schaeffegas Bros Construction Co from 1963-2011 until he finally retired at age 75.

He loved spending time with his children and grandchildren, especially on Sundays when he had a full house of love, laughter, and memories. "Famiglia" was #1 for him. Carmelo was one of the few great men left and will be tremendously missed by so many.

Visitation Sunday April 27 from 3-8 at Carbonara Funeral Home, 1515 N. 25th Avenue Melrose Park. Funeral Monday 9 AM at Carbonara Funeral Home with a Funeral Mass at St. Charles Borromeo, 1637 N. 37th Avenue Melrose Park, at 10 AM. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery, 1400 S. Wolf Road Hillside, IL.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **27**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Carbonara Funeral Home
1515 N 25th Ave
Melrose Park, IL 60160
(708) 343-6161
<https://carbonarafuneraldirectors.com/>

Tribute Wall

MD

“ *Maria, Jesse, Jason & Marisa Davila purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.*



Maria, Jesse, Jason & Marisa Davila - April 26, 2025 at 05:52 PM

SG

“ *Steve and the Guys purchased the Strength & So lace Spray for the family of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.*



Steve and the Guys - April 26, 2025 at 02:32 PM

AC

“ *Andrew & Jessica Cassara purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.*



Andrew & Jessica Cassara - April 26, 2025 at 10:47 AM

LF

“ Love, Perrino, Johnson & Biskos Family purchased the Blessed Heart for the family of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.



Love, Perrino, Johnson & Biskos Family - April 26, 2025 at 10:41 AM

LV

“ Love, Giorgio, Joseph, Vincent purchased the Full of Love Bouquet for the family of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.



Love, Giorgio, Joseph, Vincent - April 26, 2025 at 09:40 AM

TL

“ T + M Liuzzo purchased the Simply Elegant Spatiphyllum for the family of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.



T + M Liuzzo - April 25, 2025 at 08:41 PM

JL

“ John Priebe, Mike Gonzalez, Jim Linehan purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.



John Priebe, Mike Gonzalez, Jim Linehan - April 24, 2025 at 05:44 PM

JL

“ John Priebe, Mike Gonzalez, Jim Linehan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.

John Priebe, Mike Gonzalez, Jim Linehan - April 24, 2025 at 05:44 PM

DD

“ Deanna, Andrea, and Dominic purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.



Deanna, Andrea, and Dominic - April 24, 2025 at 09:57 AM

LF

“ Love the Heng Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.



Love the Heng Family - April 23, 2025 at 11:49 PM

LF

“ Love the Heng Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.

Love the Heng Family - April 23, 2025 at 11:49 PM

MF

“ *Mark & Laura Herman & Family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.*



Mark & Laura Herman & Family - April 23, 2025 at 07:15 PM

LF

“ *Love your Schaeffges Bros Family purchased the Rays of Light Spray for the family of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.*



Love your Schaeffges Bros Family - April 23, 2025 at 12:11 PM

LF

“ *Love your Schaeffges Bros Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.*

Love your Schaeffges Bros Family - April 23, 2025 at 12:11 PM

ML

“ *Molly Morgan Deala Sarah Britt & Lauren purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.*



Molly Morgan Deala Sarah Britt & Lauren - April 22, 2025 at 11:34 PM

LF

“ Love: The McClead Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.



Love: The McClead Family - April 22, 2025 at 07:32 PM

LF

“ Love: The McClead Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.

Love: The McClead Family - April 22, 2025 at 07:32 PM

LN

“ Love, Kay & Wally Nims purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.



Love, Kay & Wally Nims - April 22, 2025 at 07:08 PM



“ Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.



April 22, 2025 at 06:10 PM



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

April 22, 2025 at 06:10 PM



“ Guy B. purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.



Guy B. - April 22, 2025 at 05:36 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Carmelo Ferrara.



April 22, 2025 at 03:05 PM



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

April 22, 2025 at 03:05 PM