

Silvio Francis Nativi
July 18, 2021

VENICE FLORIDA-Silvio Francis (Sil) Nativi, 85, of Venice, Florida passed away on July 18, 2021 at his home surrounded by family after a brief battle with cancer.

Silvio was born, lived and worked in Barre Vermont until retiring in the 1990's. He is survived by Doris Donahue Nativi, his loving wife of 54 years; his son Michael and his wife Susan and their children Ben and Sarah; his daughter Lisa and her husband Peter Jopek and their children Leif and Alex; his daughter Susan and her husband John Collins.

Silvio, son of Luigi and Sarah Benvenuti Nativi, was a graduate of Spaulding High School in Barre, Vermont, and graduated with a degree in Engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI) in New York. Upon graduation he spent his career in granite manufacturing as owner/President of Nativi & Son Granite, as well as Granite Industries of Vermont (GIV) in Barre and Fletcher Granite Company of West Chelmsford, Massachusetts. Silvio served on the Board of Trustees for the Barre Granite Association. In addition to production of thousands of cemetery monuments, many architectural granite building projects, and government markers, his company is best known for having completed the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C.

Silvio was an avid golfer and club champion at the Barre Country Club. He was an animated storyteller and always loved a crowd. Sil was very proud of his Italian heritage as a long-time member of The Mutuo in Barre. He was a life-long Boston Red Sox and Montreal Canadiens fan. He enjoyed many vacations to the Bahamas with his wife Doris and their best friends Chuck and Jean Gauthier. But he will be mostly remembered as a loving husband and father.

After retirement, he and his wife spent their winters in Florida and their summers in their log cabin in Randolph, Vermont before permanently retiring to Florida. As a long-time member of the Plantation Golf and Country Club he was instrumental in building the club's tournament Bocce courts.

There are no calling hours.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Monica's Church in Barre, Vermont at 11:00am on Friday, October 15, 2021.

## Comments



Doris and your family, I was so sorry to hear of Silvio's passing. He was a very good person. My prayers are with you and remember all of the good times to help you get through this.

Elizabeth Bean - October 15, 2021 at 12:00 AM



Dear Doris, I was so sorry to hear about Sil's death. He was a very special person who brightened many lives – such a joy to spend time with. Please know that my prayers are with you.

Anne Donahue - October 15, 2021 at 12:00 AM



Dear Doris & family, I was sorry to hear about Sil's passing. The last time I saw him was here on the old Donahue farm when he stopped by to see the place again. I had wanted to attend his funeral but I recently had surgery. I would have liked to see you & the family. Know that all of you will be in my thoughts & prayers. Love to you all!

Ann Plourde Jennings - October 15, 2021 at 12:00 AM



My sympathies to hear of Silvio's Passing. He was a great fellow Class graduate and classmate.

Richard Corrigan - October 05, 2021 at 12:00 AM