



Anthony "Tony" Schiro

November 14, 1924 - June 11, 2009

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Age 84 and a lifelong resident of Independence, Anthony "Tony" Schiro passed away on Thursday, June 11, 2009 at his residence. He was a parishioner of Mater Dolorosa Catholic Church and a member of the Local 198 Plumbers and Pipefitters Union, having worked for 30 years in the industry. Spending time with his family and helping others were most important to him, but he also enjoyed hunting and fishing and other outdoor activities.

Mr. Schiro is survived by his two daughters, Patricia "Patsy" DePaula and husband Tommy; Delores Davis; his only son, Carlos J. Schiro and wife Shirley; five grandchildren, Clarissa Sampey and husband Frank, Cindy Lozier and husband Carl, C.J. Schiro, Christie O'Neill and husband Joe, Brittney Reason and husband Lennie; five great-grandchildren, Brennon and Haylie O'Neill, Alleyna Sampey, Tatum Lozier along with Jude Anthony Reason due to be born in August. He is also survived by three sisters, Phine Gulino, Grace Restivo and Mary Dattalo along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding Mr. Schiro in death were his wife, Josephine "Josie" Governale Schiro; parents, Carlo and Jennie Liuzza Schiro; sisters, Rita Nuccio and Lena Gennaro; brothers, Theodore, Luke and Jake Schiro.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the Mass of Christian Burial from Mater Dolorosa Catholic Church on Monday, June 15, 2009 at 11:00 a.m., with visitation beginning at 9:00 a.m. The Mass will be celebrated

by Fr. Paul Yi and entombment will follow in Colonial Cemetery.

Condolences and other information available online at www.bgthompsonfuneralhome.com

Arrangements have been entrusted to Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home of Hammond.

Tribute Wall



“ We are so grateful that we had the opportunity to visit with Mr. Tony and family earlier this year - that was a special blessing. When we moved to Louisiana, Mr. Tony was the first person to come up our Independence driveway to meet Roy, Holly, and Dustin at our new home, while Barbara was still in Iowa. It was the beginning of what we felt as an adoption into the Schiro family. We have many warm memories of that friendship and Mr Tony, in particular. Fixing fences, making hay, fresh catfish, crowder peas, his pet bull, ripe strawberries, and Dustin's interview are but a few. We miss that huge, comforting handshake, rumbling chuckle, and those warm eyes. Our loving thoughts are with you all. Roy, Barbara, and Dustin##imported-begin##Holly Saigo##imported-end##

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“ *The death of cousin "Tony" Schiro was a tremendous loss to the family. Cousin Tony and Tony had horses in common. Tony called cousin Tony to inform him of a horse that was going to be destroyed as it was crossed with a donky. Cousin Tony without hesitation said he wanted it. It was the most obedient, gentlest and loving horse and he taught children how to ride on that horse.*

Lena visited the country during the summer with her daughters and Joyce to see uncle Carlo & aunt Jennie. Aunt Jennie would get on the telephone to invite all "country kin" for an impromptu family gathering.

Cousin Tony always knew how to make people feel special. He would make Ricotta cheese and strawberry wine for us. Joyce could always make him laugh. We would sit outside on the porch with Luke feasting on wine and cheese.

We had planned to visit cousin Tony before his passing, but he had to rest. He did tell Jake that he loved us all just a month prior to his passing and gave Rhonda 3 kisses to pass along to each of us for him.

Fortunately, with God's blessing Joyce, Tony and Jake attended the funeral, and be there for Tony's children and other cousins left behind. Lena was not well enough to travel but was there in heart & spirit.

We have a wonderful family, and memories of times shared and grateful for times left to share with family. We will miss our cousin "Tony."###imported-begin##Roy and Barbara Saigo##imported-end##

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Joyce Schiro Lucas, Lena Blasini & Tony Schiro##imported-end##

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“ Cousin Tony, We miss you so much. We're sorry that you had to suffer for so long. It helps knowing that you are at peace now and that your pain is gone, in Heaven in God's arms and that aunt Jennie and Uncle Carlo and Josie are with you. You will be so deeply missed, but never ever forgotten.

cousin Tony, you were the most kindest, adored and admired man I ever knew. You were a great son, husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, and friend to all who crossed your path. You cannot be given enough credit how during the later years of your life you cared for Josie and still had time to exchange a smile/comforting words or helpful hand to others if needed. You inspired your children and grandchildren to follow in your footsteps in living God's will.

As a Schiro, you faced the trials & tribulations of life without complaint.##imported-begin##Gordon Anderson##imported-end##

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“ ##imported-begin##Jake Schiro, David & Rhonda Starling and Derlin Cl##imported-end##

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“ I loved Mr. Tony so much I thought of him like my own paw paw. When he would come in to see Dr. Zerangue and wasn't feeling up to par you would never know it because he always wore that beautiful smile and never ever complained. I already feel a huge void in my heart knowing that he won't be coming in anymore and blowing the girls up front kisses. The things that give me comfort about his passing are that he is no longer suffering and he is in heaven with his honey. I admire the way the Mr. Carlos took care of him. I have never seen such a closer family pull together and be there for each other like I saw at the services. My thoughts, prayers, love and admiration I give to this family. Dr. Zerangue, Tonya Kirland, and I have been privileged to be apart of the care that was given to Mr. Tony. We will love him forever and will never ever forget him. God Bless you. Rest In Peace Mr. Tony.##imported-begin##rhonda starling##imported-end##

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“ Mr. Tony was a kind and generous man. He will be sadly missed by his neighbors. I have very fond memories of him from when we first moved to Independence. Especially of him teaching me how to ride a horse.

My condolences to his family. May you know that he will always be watching over you.##imported-begin##belinda pizzolato##imported-end##

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“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time! He is now with your Mother and they are dancing in heaven like they did when they were young! (That is what I told Jennah when Bea died and it made her happy!) If Nace & I can do anything for you, just call us!##imported-begin##Linda Goings##imported-end##*

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“ *##imported-begin##Sannie Bonfiglio##imported-end##*

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