



Dr. Maurice Galliani

February 15, 1925 - June 25, 2009

ADRIAN – Dr. Maurice M. Galliani, age 84, of Adrian, passed away Thursday, June 25, 2009 at his home.

Dr. Galliani was born February 15, 1925 in Pola, Italy, the son of Federico and Silvana (Sestilli) Galliani. In 1954, four years after graduating from the University of Rome Medical School, Dr. Galliani immigrated to the United States.

On April 27, 1957, Maurice married Sonya A. Miller in Angola, Indiana. Sonya, his wife of over 52 years, survives.

Dr. Galliani started his general practice in 1962 in Lyons, Ohio while practicing anesthesia at Morenci Hospital. In 1964 he became the first certified anesthesiologist at Bixby Medical Center where he practiced until his retirement in 1989. During that time, he served a term as Chief of Staff. For several years, he wrote a weekly human interest column for the Daily Telegram.

Known for being physically active throughout his life, Dr. Galliani could often be found at the gym or taking extended bicycle trips. His greatest passion was his family.

In addition to his wife, Dr. Galliani is survived by his children: Maura Riou of North Port, FL; Federico “Rick” Galliani and his wife, Amy Wolf of Coral Springs, FL; Cristina and her husband Todd Wolf of Tipton; and Giancarlo “Gianni” and his wife, Nicolette Barnard of Sunrise, FL; and a brother, Claudio (Graziella) Galliani of Rome, Italy. Also surviving are six treasured grandchildren, Angela and Jacquelyn Galliani, Paul Michael Wolf, Laura (Steven) Steinle, and Alexandra and Nicolo Galliani.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Fabrizio Galliani.

Cremation will take place at Dr. Galliani’s request. Private services will be held in Pennsylvania. You may send condolences to the family at www.wagleyfuneralhome.com. Contributions in memory of Dr. Galliani may be made to the Lenawee County Library, Lenawee Humane Society or Hospice of Lenawee. Envelopes are available at Wagley Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. Maurice Galliani*

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM



“ *we have heard the news with great regret.
Also we often thought and do beautiful memories of your father and
all of you.*

ours deepest condolences

le nostre più sentite condoglianze

Celestina Gatti e Famiglia Stefano Gatti

*Varano di Ancona (ITALY###imported-begin##CELESTINA GATTI,
STEFANO GATTI E FAMIGLIA###imported-end##*

August 09, 2009 at 10:02 AM



“ Rick, my Condolences I am sad to hear of your dad. I believe he now watches over all his loved ones. I'm sure you will feel that presence on occasion. I have often thought about how friends back in high school are doing and where they are now. I remember meeting your dad and mom who is a great cook especially her chicken cordon bleu at your house many times in Adrian. One of the memories that stick out in my mind of your dad that I will not forget is his purchase of a sports car and he was giving us a ride down the back roads testing the vehicle and boy was it ever a ride. I remember zooming down the road and his words were this car has very good handling. I knew then where your love for fast cars came from. My prayers and thoughts for all your family will continue for the rest of my life. I will always remember Maura, Chris, and Gianni. From Bob Rodriguez remember high school the apartment, sand lake and the Naval Graduation in Great Lakes good times . Email ro dri1@gvni.com 8/6/2009##imported-begin##Bob Rodriguez##imported-end##

August 06, 2009 at 03:17 PM



“ Papa, I know you have often thought you were not the best father and perhaps made too many mistakes, but that is not how I remember it. Parenthood is a constant learning experience and if you are guided by your heart as you were, you will ultimately succeed as a father as I believe you did. I know this because of how I saw you and remember you always. I remember a man well taught who had learned several languages, read many books, listened to much music and had an appreciation for the finer things in life. I remember a man strong of spirit who jumped out of planes and voyaged across the sea to start an unknown life in a new country far from his homeland. I remember a man who had often been criticized for being overly concerned with or worried about money and yet a man to the contrary who had always been enormously generous and never willing to value money over the human condition. I didn't just see you as a doctor, a sports car enthusiast, a motorcycle aficionado, a weightlifter, a bicyclist and a parent. I also saw you as a psychologist, a writer, a comedian, an actor and an officer. For those were the talents you possessed and some of the roles you aspired to play. It is unfortunate that in life we are faced with so many forks in the road and only the opportunity and time enough to travel but a single path. More important, I still remember you as all of those things today.

So fear not that the aging process and death have diminished or robbed you of your identity, because you spent a lifetime inventing yourself and it would take more than a lifetime to undo it. The last few years of frailty were but a brief moment out of your incredible life. May you rest in peace. Love your “Pipistrello”

Gianni###imported-begin##Giancarlo R. Galliani###imported-end##

July 14, 2009 at 07:42 AM



“ Maura, so sorry to hear of the great loss of your Papa`. Our hearts go out to you and your family. Holding on to all your precious memories will help you get through this hard time.

Love, Jayne, Parker & Hayden###imported-begin###Jayne, Parker & Hayden Cross###imported-end###

July 13, 2009 at 02:18 PM



“ My sincerest and deepest sympathy at this time of great loss###imported-begin###Rafael Algeciras###imported-end###

July 03, 2009 at 06:23 PM



“ Todd, Chris, Rick, Amy and Families
May God be with you during this time of remembering your father and Grandfather. We will keep you and all your family in our prayers. We understand.###imported-begin###Margretha Minster Harden###imported-end###

July 01, 2009 at 08:57 AM



“ Maura ,
My deepest sympathy to you and your family over the loss of your dear Papa. Though he may physically be gone, he will live forever lovingly in the memories you hold and cherish. God bless you and your family.###imported-begin###Diane Algeciras###imported-end###

June 30, 2009 at 10:20 PM



“ Our love and prayers are with you. He was a wonderful man and loved his family and friends. He was the model of what a great american should be. He will be missed by many and we will miss his weekly insight in the newspaper.

Love Deb and Pat##imported-begin##Deb and Pat Farver##imported-end##

June 30, 2009 at 08:31 AM



“ Our deepest thoughts and prayers are with the family at this most difficult time. A special prayer goes out to Maura Riou, our wonderful friend in Florida. Peace be with you.

Robert and Donna##imported-begin##Donna Brooks & Robert Almany##imported-end##

June 30, 2009 at 07:31 AM



“ Sonya,

I know you are well aware just how much we thought of both you and Maurice. He and I were poles apart, politically, but always the gentleman, he would rib me good naturedly.

Dick and I will never forget that Maurice drove up to St. Joe's when Dick had his AVR. He stayed with us in the surgical waiting room before, during and long after the operation to give us companionship and comfort. My own children found that to be an extraordinary example of someone who truly cared for his fellow man.

Arthur Schoepenhauer once wrote:

"The deep pain that is felt at the death of every friendly soul, arises from the feeling that there is in every individual, something which is inexpressible, peculiar to him alone, and is therefore, absolutely and irretrievably lost."

Maurice was that inexpressible something which was irretrievably lost on that awful Thursday, June 25. Love to you all, Sybil Diccion###imported-begin###Dick and Sybil Diccion###imported-end###

June 30, 2009 at 05:07 AM



“ Maura and family, we are sorry never to have had the privilege to meet your father. From pictures that we have seen and stories that we have heard, it seems that he was a great man. And knowing one of his daughters and having met his sons, and seeing the strength, character, and sense of humor that he instilled in all of you, it is clear that he truly was and is a great man. May he rest in peace. Love, Charlie and Debbie###imported-begin##Charlie & Debbie Otto###imported-end##

June 29, 2009 at 10:37 PM



“ Maura,

We are deeply saddened to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

"Lean on your friends for strength, and always remember how much you are cared about"

Love Always
Debbie & Charlie###imported-begin##Charlie & Debbie Otto###imported-end##

June 29, 2009 at 10:12 PM



“ Maura,
Although I never knew your father personally, I met him through the person you are. Kindness, generosity, grace, and joy. May God rest his soul and bless your family and may the memories of your father cause you to smile when you least expect it.###imported-begin##Jose Sanchez (Barbara's husband)###imported-end##

June 29, 2009 at 09:48 PM



“ Dear Maura and Family, Please accept our deepest sympathy in the loss of your "papa". It was a long hard road and after reading this tribute to him he was a very talented man. We have you and your family in our prayers.. Much love, Joe & Penny###imported-begin##Joe & Penny Trovato###imported-end##

June 29, 2009 at 08:00 PM



“ My deepest sympathy to Maura and her mother, sister, brothers and other family members. I just read the details of Dr. Galliani's life and could not help but be impressed that he has had a very distinguished career. Knowing his talented daughter, Maura, I can see how he has made a lasting impact on his family. I pray the memories are precious to this family. God bless you each.###imported-begin##Cynthia Logan###imported-end##

June 29, 2009 at 03:56 PM



“ Maura, We are so sorry to hear about the loss of your precious "papa". We were not fortunate to meet him or know him but if he was anything like you he was a treasure.###imported-begin##Brenda and Jim Morgan###imported-end##

June 29, 2009 at 02:19 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Our prayers go out to you at this difficult time. How fortunate you are to have so many wonderful memories of a loving, intelligent, and generous husband and father.###imported-begin##Barbara Miller Sanchez###imported-end##

June 29, 2009 at 01:03 PM



“ I know your father will be sorely missed, but I also know you have many happy memories and each other. May God bless you all!##imported-begin##Marianne Click##imported-end##

June 29, 2009 at 10:39 AM



“ Maurice was truly a great man. His love for family and life always brought great joy to everyone who knew him. Maurice will be sadly missed. From my family to yours, our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.##imported-begin##Mary L Burket##imported-end##

June 29, 2009 at 09:19 AM



“ So sorry for your loss. Dr. Galliani was a man I had great respect for and was always kind and dignified. May he rest in peace.##imported-begin##Nancy R. Lott##imported-end##

June 29, 2009 at 08:57 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers go out to the entire family at this most difficult time. Maura, I look forward to embracing you when you return to work and talk about your life with Papa.##imported-begin##Sharon Compagnino##imported-end##

June 29, 2009 at 08:47 AM



“ Our sympathy is with you and your family.

Lenawee County Medical Society##imported-begin##Melinda Ahleman##imported-end##

June 28, 2009 at 06:03 PM



“ Mrs. Galliani and family,
Your husband/father was a wonderful man. I remember the year that he came to Lyons, as I was in High School, then. My father was the Fire Chief, then. Please accept my deepest sympathy and empathy in your loss. God Bless you all.##imported-begin##Lois Peebles Steele##imported-end##

June 27, 2009 at 05:46 PM



“ To Rick and Family, We wish to send you all our deepest sympathy upon the passing of your father. We were lucky enough to meet him in Florida years ago. Our prayers and thoughts are with you all during this difficult time. With Love, Brad & Robin##imported-begin##Brad & Robin Boyd##imported-end##

June 27, 2009 at 02:39 PM



“ DEAR MRS. GALLIANI,
SO SORRY TO HEAR OF DR. GALLIANI'S PASSING. HE WAS A VERY PLEASANT ADDITION TO THE LIBRARY CHRISTMAS PARTY. IT WAS CUTE WHEN HE THOUGHT WE HAD USED RED AND GREEN DECORATIONS TO HONOR ITALY. YOU ARE IN MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS. BARB SELL##imported-begin##BARB SELL##imported-end##

June 27, 2009 at 11:20 AM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Dr. Galliani's death. You have my deepest sympathy and you all are much in thoughts.*
Lee Groeb##imported-begin##Lee Groeb##imported-end##

June 27, 2009 at 09:37 AM



“ *You will always be the most important man in my life, Papa`, and I will always be proud to be your daughter and have so much of you in me.*

I love you forever Maura##imported-begin##Maura S. V. Galliani (Riou)##imported-end##

June 27, 2009 at 08:18 AM