



Francis Bernard Gallo

November 30, 1927 - April 23, 2017

Francis (Frank) Bernard Gallo, age 89, passed away on April 23, 2017 in Orlando, FL with his loving wife and three children at his side.

Frank was born in Pottsville, PA on November 30, 1927 to Maria and Scipione Gallo. After his army discharge he attended Bloomsburg University majoring in history and excelling in track earning the nickname, Fireball Frankie. He married Marcella Joan Davis of Ashland, PA on December 27, 1952 and enjoyed 64+ years of togetherness.

Frank and Marcella moved to New Jersey where he began his career as a history teacher and coach. He advanced to become Athletic Director at Dover High School retiring in 1990. His successes in the classroom, on the football field and on the track were not only record breaking but provided life long memories for him and the athletes he coached.

Frank is survived by wife Marcella; son, Scott and Karin Gallo and grandchildren Meredith, Katherine and Pierce; daughter Debbie and Pete Iosso and grandchildren Anthony and Vincent; and daughter Lisa Gallo and granddaughter Carsen Lowe. Frank's surviving sisters are Rose Gruer ~ husband Allan of Arlington VA and Theresa Diffenbach ~ husband Jim of Chesterton, Indiana. Predeceasing Frank are his brothers Angelo with surviving wife Joan and Louis with surviving wife, Judy.

A service is being held to celebrate the life of Frank Gallo on May 20, 2017, 10:30 a.m., at Holy Innocence Episcopal Church in Beach Haven, NJ. All friends and family are welcome.

In lieu of flowers please send donations to the Frank B. Gallo Scholarship Fund, 82 South Road, Chester, NJ 07930 or Holy Innocence Episcopal Church, 410 South Atlantic Avenue, Beach Haven, NJ 08008.

Tribute Wall

DG

“ Miss you❤️

D Gallo - March 22 at 08:39 AM

DG

“ Happy Birthday Dad- you would have been 98 today! Miss you everyday❤️❤️

D Gallo - November 30, 2025 at 01:48 PM

DE

“ Happy Birthday Dad❤️. Can't believe it's been 7 years without you. Think about you EVERY day!

Debbie - November 30, 2024 at 02:05 PM

DE

“ Happy Birthday Dad❤️ Think of you everyday!

Debbie - November 30, 2023 at 11:37 AM

DI

“ Hey Dad- can't believe it's been 6 years since your memorial. Think about you both every day. Hope you know how much you are loved❤️

Debbie losso - May 20, 2023 at 08:59 AM

DE

“ Happy Birthday Dad!! Your memory lives on every single day! I miss you. I can still see you and feel your presence all the time. Love you forever❤️

Debbie - November 30, 2022 at 10:07 AM

DE

“ *Happy Birthday Dad! Love you and think of you every single day!
Honoring you with induction to the DHS HOF- all because of
everything you taught me!* ❤️❤️❤️

Debbie - November 30, 2021 at 08:49 AM

DE

“ *Miss you Dad- could use some coffee* ❤️❤️

Debbie - October 11, 2021 at 07:52 PM

DE

“ *Happy Birthday Dad- miss you everyday!!! Think of you and
remember you often!*

Debbie - November 30, 2020 at 01:46 PM

DI

“ *Happy Fathers Day Dad!!
Miss you- Love you!*

Debbie losso - June 21, 2020 at 06:35 AM

DI

“ *Three years ago today- miss you Dad! Think of you every single day*
❤️

Debbie losso - April 23, 2020 at 05:22 PM

DI

“ Dad- need your help!! This executor deal is way harder than I thought! I promised I wouldn't fight- I'm trying real hard to keep that promise! Scott hates me- I don't know why- he is hell bent on making sure I don't have any part of the house- you know how much I love that house- the boys have so many great memories of you and mom there- as do !!!! You visited me Dad - thank you- miss you everyday!

Debbie losso - March 02, 2020 at 09:23 PM

DI

“ Dad- I hope that you and mom are together again- she just wasn't happy here without you. As hard as this is without you and without mom- if you are together then all is good! Love you❤️

Debbie losso - June 27, 2019 at 09:15 AM

DI

“ Two years Dad- hard to believe- miss you everyday- always close to my heart!!!

Debbie losso - May 28, 2019 at 04:01 PM

DI

“ Always tough at Christmas without you Dad. Miss you!! Will continue to donate to your scholarship for a DHS grad! Love you- think about you every day!!!

Debbie losso - December 25, 2018 at 10:42 PM

DE

“ Dad- another birthday come and gone- 91 years old!!! Miss you everyday- will never forget you or your unconditional love!!!



debbie - December 03, 2018 at 07:46 PM

DE

“ Dad- I can't believe it's been a year since you passed- I was at the beach house getting it ready to open and I longed to see you laying on the porch with Fox News on or waiting for me for coffee in the morning or outside watering your tomatoes- I miss you Dad. Pretty soon we will be presenting a Dover Tiger graduate with a scholarship in your name!!! I miss you DAD!

debbie - May 06, 2018 at 07:03 PM

DI

“ These holidays are tough without you Dad. I really missed shopping for you this year. I missed your Happy Birthday song! Not a day goes by that I don't think about you. Sure would love to hear another story! Hope your coaching them all in heaven!



debbie iosso - December 24, 2017 at 06:23 PM

LW

“ Dear Debbie and family, just heard of your dad's passing. My deepest sympathy. It is so hard to lose a parent as they are the glue to your family and past. Now it will be the beautiful memories that you have which will fill your heart. He touch so many lives, and was quality man. He is up there with the very best. So sorry for your loss. Hugs to your Mom and family.

LINDA DONOFRIO WIDUTA - May 18, 2017 at 06:39 AM

PE

“ Dear Debbie & Family,
You're in our thoughts & prayers. Wishing you & your family strength & peace through this very difficult time.
Love,
Pete Smith & Donna Esposito

Pete Smith & Donna Esposito - April 30, 2017 at 09:49 AM

DI

“ This last week has been so hard without you- miss you tons.



Debbie Iosso - April 29, 2017 at 10:43 PM

JD

“ I wish there was more time in our lives to share with each other our thoughts ideas and memories. At a time of a loss of a loved one, we turn to our memories.. Frank could go on and on about his memories of growing up in Morea, his many childhood friends and his family. He liked talking about sports, Penn State and Joe Paterno (Jim's alma mater). We take for granted these wonderful stories recounted over and over. For some reason, I recall that when we were younger Frank was particular about his appearance and insisted that his shirts be ironed just right. It was a challenge for me especially since I followed Rose in assuming this task. At the time she worked at the shirt factory in Mahanoy City ironing shirts. She did them perfectly. Like I said, it was a challenge I won't forget. Another thing I remember was Mom saying that Frank was a gentle soul and was kind hearted; she was right. Back then our parents wishes were for all the kids to get a good education. They were proud of Frank when he graduated from Bloomsburg S. C. with a teaching degree. We shared that sentiment with our parents as he also made us proud. He led the way for the rest of us. I remember going to Frank and Marcella's wedding. I cried, it was such a wonderful ceremony; they were a beautiful couple. Frank loved life, Cell, his children, Scot, Debbie and Lisa, the church, and family, and we loved him. We will miss you Frank, rest in peace.

Your loving sister,
Theresa (Ted)

I first met Frank when I was dating Theresa and she wanted to introduce me to her brother and his family. She had told them I was an engineer and made a lot of money. (She was half right; I was an engineer.) We had a great visit and I was warmly received. While our visits were fewer after we moved to Indiana, we always enjoyed our times together. The Florida visits were especially nice in that Lou and Judy were able to join us. Frank and Cell enjoyed card

games and taught Theresa and me one of their favorites, Kings. We would win, to their regret. I remember Frank telling us about how well he had done in a foul shooting contest at the Villages several years ago. Always a competitor, yet he was fair and sincere in his relationships with others. Frank, our memories of you will forever keep you alive in our hearts. May God bless you and your family. With our love to all.

Jim

Jim Diffenbach - April 28, 2017 at 04:26 PM

BT

“ *Marcella and Family*

It is hard for me to believe that 60 years have passed since I had the pleasure of Mr Frank Gallo teaching and coaching me. I have many fond memories of teachers such as Dobson, Arway, Duffy, Sanders, Weaver, Paulus, Pistolas, Sherk, Tversky and Becker. Mr Gallo is at the top of my list.

I will of course contribute to his scholarship fund.

Bob Tiefenbacher

Class of 1958

Bob Tiefenbacher - April 28, 2017 at 10:43 AM

PI

“ *Frank I will miss the stories we had together about Dover high sports and all the players you coached. I promise that I will do my very best to take care of Debbie till the two of you are together again. Proud to be part of your family. Pete losso*

Pete losso - April 26, 2017 at 09:08 PM

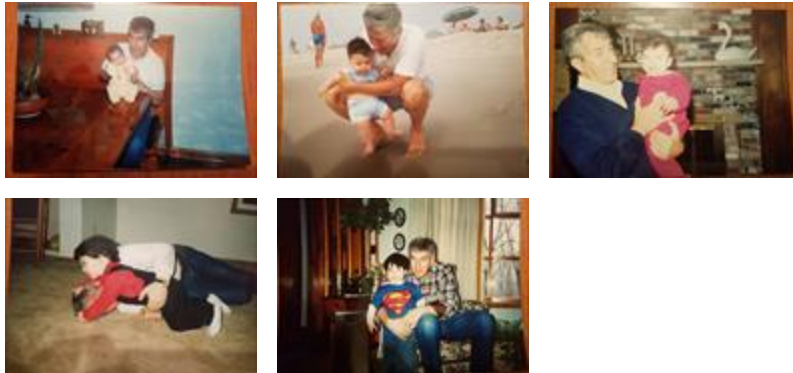


“ *Pop, I am so fortunate to have so many wonderful memories with you. From summer nights eating ice cream and listening to stories about your childhood in Maria to your constant efforts to make me a faster runner, thinking of you will always leave me smiling. I love you lots, Pop. I hope Heaven serves a nice cup of coffee and some quality breakfast!* ”

Meredith Gallo - April 26, 2017 at 08:46 PM

TI

“ *Remember these times like they happened yesterday, and will cherish them for eternity!* ”



Tony losso - April 26, 2017 at 02:24 PM

TI

“ *Always my biggest fan! Cheering me on at one of my football games!!* ”



Tony losso - April 26, 2017 at 09:21 AM

PS

“ Frank was not only my coach at DHS, he was my friend. He taught me a lot about sports, he taught me about life. I am sorry I didn't keep in touch and I as well as many others will miss him.

Phil Schindler - April 25, 2017 at 08:29 PM



“ RIP Mr. Gallo...thanks for teaching me to drive!

Jacqueline Winkler - April 25, 2017 at 07:23 PM

GB

“ A good man!!! Sending the Gallo family hugs, love and prayers! I spent many a day at the Gallo household with my good friend Lisa. Mr. Gallo always had a joke, a great piece of advice, or a simple smile that always seemed to make your day better. I pray the happy times help to ease all your pain through this time. The pain you feel now is the evidence of the love you share. May you rest gently in the arms of our Lord. Enjoy your wings, Mr. Gallo.
Gail Smith (Bruno)

gail bruno - April 25, 2017 at 06:52 PM

VI

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall

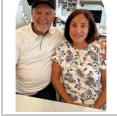


Vinny losso - April 25, 2017 at 10:18 AM



Thank you for trying to teach us.

John Sharp - April 25, 2017 at 07:36 PM



Mr. Gallo was a great man. He taught me how to drive, poor guy! I was terrible then and have never gotten any better. He was always fair and kind to me as a student even when I did not deserve it. I enjoyed playing football and baseball and going to college with his son Scott. My prayers are with the Gallo family at this time.

David DiYanni - April 26, 2017 at 11:31 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



A Community Funeral Home & Sunset Cremations - April 25, 2017 at 08:19 AM

MA

“ *My condolences for the loss of your dear loved one. We are not beyond God's mercy, based on Jesus' shed blood. - Luke 23:43 Jesus said: "Truly I tell you today, you will be with me in Paradise." - (a better place) May Jesus words comfort you in your grief and recovery.*

Marie - April 24, 2017 at 09:40 AM

CL

“ Some of my best memories involve you and coming to visit in the summers. I couldn't wait to meet you at the rest stop to drive down to the island but first stop to pick up some fruit loops to eat for breakfast when you got back from Fred's! I'm going to miss the only other person who shared my love of bologna sandwiches and all things chocolate - chocolate brownies, with chocolate ice cream topped off with even more chocolate syrup. I will miss stopping by for dinner and phone calls from you reminding me off that \$5 I still owed you from bets you swore we had made. The best and funniest guy I knew will always have a special place in my heart.

Carsen Lowe - April 23, 2017 at 08:25 PM



“ I have too many memories of you to even begin to list them all. Whether it was boogie boarding all day at the beach, playing tennis, Disney trips, bike rides, morning coffee, you letting me drive the Lincoln when I was maybe 8 years old, late night watching tv on the porch or the countless other amazing times we had, each and every minute we spent together I will cherish forever. You were the one to introduce me to my lifelong passion of fishing and taught me so many lessons along the way. I'm so proud to have called you my grandfather. I will see you again someday but for now I know you're enjoying plenty of coffee and great deals on buffets up there! Miss you and love you always

Vinny losso - April 23, 2017 at 07:38 PM

SH

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



Scott Hora - April 23, 2017 at 07:21 PM

LI

“ *Dear Dad ~ from your daughter Lisa;
All throughout my life my Dad has been there for me. During my teen years he taught me to run the hurdles (among other things!) I am most thankful that after the worst time of my life, he welcomed me back with open arms and continued to love and encourage me. These last 12 years I have spent some great times with my Dad. I will miss morning coffee and our great conversations and his laugh. I feel very lucky to have such a wonderful father and friend. I will love you always ~ Lisa.*

Lisa - April 23, 2017 at 06:32 PM

GB

So sorry to hear of your dad's passing Lisa. He was a good man. May he rest in peace.

gail bruno - April 25, 2017 at 06:53 PM

TI

“ So many great memories spending summers on the island or Easter in Orlando. I learned so much during those years that helped me become the person I am today. But I think most importantly I will always remember that I don't need bait while fishing at night since fish can't see in the dark! I will never forget getting picked up on the last day of school and heading to the beach for the summer, but not before stopping at SuperFresh for the best deals on strawberries then to ShopRite because they had a better deal on grapes! After that it was off to get a gallon of port wine for less than \$10 And finally to Hands for a toy! Memories to last a lifetime, see you again someday Grandfather, Love Always

Tony losso - April 23, 2017 at 03:02 PM

KG

“ *"Everyday is a good day" -Pop*
There is a quote that says real loss only occurs when you love somebody more than you love yourself. I truly don't think I've ever loved anyone more than I loved you! Your constant smile and humor will live on in my heart forever. Thank you for being the most wonderful man. I'm going to miss those summer nights watching the Yankees play while eating ice cream and then sneaking chocolates when Alec wasn't looking. I will miss your stories that I told you I never heard, just because I wanted to hear you tell them again. But mostly I will miss all of your little idiosyncrasies that made you, you! Your always on my mind and forever in my heart. Love and miss you sweet angle!

Katherine Gallo - April 23, 2017 at 02:51 PM

DI

“ I'll share my story that is getting me through the loss of my Dad! I was sitting with him when everyone left and put my head on his arm and told him how much I loved him and that I was a little bit scared about the whole dying thing . Protecting me until the end - he waited until I closed my eyes for no more than a few minutes and when I woke his face was at peace- he died only when I was asleep so I wouldn't have to remember his last breath but could remember the warmth of his touch! Just one of a thousand moments with my Dad- so very proud to be his daughter. I will miss him but never ever forget him!



Debbie Iosso - April 23, 2017 at 02:37 PM