



## Frank G. Pifferetti Jr.

February 1, 1965 - October 25, 2023

Frank G. Pifferetti, Jr., 58, entered the Church Triumphant on October 25, 2023. He was born in Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania on February 1, 1965 and grew up in New Stanton, PA. Frank was educated at St. Vincent college, Latrobe, PA where he was the recipient of the Gabriel Burda Music Scholarship. Frank conducted his graduate studies at Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Frank was passionate about God, his bride, music, good friends, and food – in that order. Ever the lifelong learner, Frank took advantage of opportunities to learn from some of the most accomplished musicians and teachers in the world, including Edgar Highberger, Dr. Marilyn Keiser, Sir Stephen Cleobury (King's College, Cambridge, England), Dr. Andre Lash, and Dr. John Walker. Frank's love of organ music also found him collaborating with professionals and playing recitals from coast to coast as well as in the UK and Germany. With a servant's heart and music in his very soul, Frank devoted himself to music ministry. Crossing denominational barriers, he served in numerous churches over the course of his life. Currently, Frank was serving Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church in High Point, North Carolina as Director of Traditional Music and Organist for over fourteen years. In the course of his ministry, Frank used his God-given talents to nurture other musicians in choirs across the Southeast.

Frank also had a keen business acumen and, along with his Kathy, ran a successful commercial printing company, Presto Printing for 27 years.

Additionally, as a wonderful intersection of Frank's musical and business talents, he also created Windsor Music and Publishing 12 years ago. Frank excelled as a caring and generous husband, organist, choir director, businessman, leader and friend. Friends benefited from his generous nature and his phone calls, just to check on them.

Surviving to cherish his memory are his adoring wife of 35 years, Kathy; his parents, Frank, Sr. and Delila; his sisters, Michelle Craig, Denise Skilone (David), and Lori Ann Chaussinand (Richard); nieces, nephews, cousins; his Father-in-law, John Morrow, Brother-in-law Tim, and Sister-in-law Cindy; and dear friends who are too numerous to name or count - who were also family to Frank.

In Salisbury: The family will receive friends from 6-8 PM Thursday (November 2) at Summersett Funeral Home.

The funeral service will be held at 10 AM Friday (November 3) at Summersett Memorial Chapel with burial following at Rowan Memorial Park.

In High Point: The family will receive friends from 12:30-2 PM (November 4) at Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church (1225 Chestnut Dr. High Point, NC 27262) with a memorial service following at 2 PM at the church.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

Final arrangements are being handled by Summersett Funeral Home, 1315 West Innes Street, Salisbury, NC, condolences may be made at [summersetfuneralhome.com](http://summersetfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Rowan Memorial Park

4125 Franklin Comm Center Rd  
Salisbury, NC 28144  
(704) 636-8751

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 2. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Summersett Funeral Home  
1315 W. Innes St.  
Salisbury, NC 28144  
(704) 633-2111  
<https://www.summersettfuneralhome.com>

## Funeral Service

NOV 3. 10:00 AM (ET)

Summersett Memorial Chapel  
1315 W. Innes St.  
Salisbury, NC 28144

## Visitation

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NOV 4. 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Wesley United Methodist Church  
1225 Chestnut Drive  
High Point, NC 27262

## Memorial Service

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NOV 4. 2:00 PM (ET)

Wesley United Methodist Church  
1225 Chesnut Drive  
High Point, NC 27262

# Tribute Wall

VD

“ *Kathy, deepest sympathy for you and all your family on the loss of Frank. You are in our prayers.* ”



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**Vickie Degges** - November 08, 2023 at 10:55 AM

GM

*I was shocked and sorry to hear of Frank's passing. I had the privilege of playing cello with him at Wesley Memorial church in High point on several occasions when Anne Carroll was the choir director. The experience was always very enjoyable . Frank was a consummate musician and very inspiring. I hope your memories will sustain you at this difficult time.*

*Gayle Masarie*

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**Gayle Masarie** - January 19, 2024 at 01:49 AM

AS

“ Our deepest sympathy to the Pifferetti family! Frankie’s family and my family grown up together in New Stanton Pa. When my husband Nick and I were planning our wedding we knew we wanted Frankie to play the organ for us. Nick and I have very fond memories of Frankie, he was an amazing organist and great friend. We were very happy when he agreed to play for our special day which took place in my grandmothers back yard in New Stanton. We were going to rent a keyboard for Frankie to play but Frankie wasn’t having it, he wanted to play a real organ! So very graciously Frankie’s mother and father offered their organ. So that is what we did and as I listened to Frankie doing what he loved to do best as my father walked me down the aisle to “Canon in D” it brought tears to my eyes! I always told Frankie, I wished I could have had the music of our wedding day on video because I knew he would be an accomplished professional musician someday and in reading his beautiful obituary I believe he was! Nick and I were very fortunate to have him play the organ for our wedding and I know he is playing beautiful music in heaven!! God Bless you all! Love, Amy and Nick Sassos

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**Amy Sassos** - November 05, 2023 at 09:21 AM

KS

“ We are so saddened to read of Frank’s passing in the Greensburg paper. Frank was a dear friend of mine during his days at Charter Oak Church and I always appreciated his musical talents, his kindness, and his wonderful smile and sense of humor. Don and I send our deepest sympathies to all of the Pifferetti family. May God wrap his arms around you at this time. Karen and Don Snyder

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**Karen Snyder** - November 05, 2023 at 08:04 AM

SH

“ Mrs. Pifferetti, Dr. John Walker and I were both shocked to learn about the passing of your dear husband, Frank. Please know that he will be missed here at Brown Memorial Park Avenue Presbyterian Church, Baltimore, MD.  
Peace to you and your family, Sharon Holley

Sharon Holley - November 04, 2023 at 04:06 PM

HL

“ Kathy and Frank's love has always been an inspiration to me and something I aspire to. I've never heard someone speak more highly of their spouse and cherish them more dearly. Sending love in honor.



Hannah Lynch - November 04, 2023 at 12:05 PM

AW

“ Kathy, I just saw you recently at Lowes; I will always remember Frank bringing Casey in the bank to visit every day when he would walk up.....I am saddened by his passing. Please let me know if there is anything I can do. Blessings, Alison Wilsey

Alison Wilsey - November 03, 2023 at 02:26 PM

DD

“ Dan, Debbie and Jadon Dunlap purchased the beautiful in Blue for the family of Frank G. Pifferetti Jr..



Dan, Debbie and Jadon Dunlap - November 02, 2023 at 02:43 PM

CV

“ Christian V. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Frank G. Pifferetti Jr..

Christian V. - November 02, 2023 at 12:50 PM

CV

“ Please accept my sincerest condolences and prayers to Kathy and all of Frank's family. May you all know God's blessings of love, mercy, comfort, and strength through these trying days and beyond.



CV - November 02, 2023 at 12:02 PM

LH

“ Lisa Hafer lit a candle in memory of Frank Pifferetti



Lisa Hafer - November 02, 2023 at 09:11 AM

EB

Beautiful obituary and lovely service today. Kathy, we wish you peace.

Emily and Michael Bridgers

Emily Bridgers - November 03, 2023 at 06:24 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Frank G. Pifferetti Jr..*



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November 01, 2023 at 05:47 PM



“ *Sending love and light to Kathy and family. My heart aches for you all during this tragic time. May you find peace and comfort in honoring the life of Frank.*

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**Shannon Rauh** - November 01, 2023 at 04:21 PM



“ *Valerie Tobia lit a candle in memory of Frank Pifferetti*



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**Valerie Tobia** - November 01, 2023 at 03:55 PM



“ *Kathy, the love you and Frank shared is so strong, and inspirational - it will transcend time. I am so deeply sad to hear of this news, and hope you feel his heavenly presence wrapping around you right now and forever more. May your community wrap you in light, love and holding during this unimaginably painful time. My heart and care are with you.*

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**Valerie Tobia** - November 01, 2023 at 03:55 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Frank G. Pifferetti Jr..*



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November 01, 2023 at 02:56 PM



“ *Kathy, I am so devastated for your loss. I know you and Frank loved each other so very deeply, and shared such a beautiful life together. May you feel the deep love of your community and may God bring you peace and comfort as you honor Frank's life.*

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**Taylor Bolton** - November 01, 2023 at 11:35 AM



“ *Stephanie L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Frank G. Pifferetti Jr..*

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**Stephanie L.** - November 01, 2023 at 10:45 AM



“ *Sending love and prayers to Kathy and all who knew and loved Frank. May you find peace in this difficult time.*

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**Sara Terpeny** - November 01, 2023 at 10:27 AM



“ *So sorry to hear about Frank. He will be missed by many and sympathy to his wife Kathy and family, and the Choir at Wesley Memorial in High Point. Thank you Frank for your ministry of music for many years.*

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**Eddie Huss** - October 31, 2023 at 08:53 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Frank G. Pifferetti Jr..*



October 31, 2023 at 08:49 PM



“ *Kathy I am so sorry to hear about your husband. My heart sincerely aches for you and your family right now. Wrapping you in love and prayers. Melissa Baran*

**Melissa Baran** - October 31, 2023 at 03:31 PM



“ *Thinking of you Kathy and praying for you during this difficult time. Frank was an amazing man.*

**Jill Queen** - October 31, 2023 at 02:22 PM



“ *Benish S. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Frank G. Pifferetti Jr..*

**Benish S.** - October 31, 2023 at 01:44 PM



“ *Taylor Bolton purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Frank G. Pifferetti Jr..*



**Taylor Bolton** - October 31, 2023 at 11:43 AM

TB

“ Taylor Bolton planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Frank G. Pifferetti Jr..

Taylor Bolton - October 31, 2023 at 11:43 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Frank G. Pifferetti Jr..



October 31, 2023 at 11:26 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Frank G. Pifferetti Jr..

October 31, 2023 at 11:26 AM

EF

“ I never had the opportunity to meet Frank. But I work with Kathy. Her eyes lit up talking about Frank. Anyone could tell that they were the best of friends and madly in love. That lets me know that Frank was a great man. To Kathy, your family and friends, I'm praying that you can find comfort in this storm. I pray you have the opportunity to feel his energy and love even still and that you can cling to each other in these times.

Ellen Freeman - October 31, 2023 at 11:11 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frank G. Pifferetti Jr..*



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October 31, 2023 at 10:59 AM



“ *Sending my sincerest condolences to Kathy and all who loved Frank.*



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**Morgan Baden** - October 31, 2023 at 10:09 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Frank G. Pifferetti Jr..*



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October 30, 2023 at 10:52 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Frank G. Pifferetti Jr..*

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October 30, 2023 at 10:52 PM

NM

“ *Nicole McKinney lit a candle in memory of Frank Pifferetti*



Nicole McKinney - October 30, 2023 at 10:27 PM

NM

“ *Frank was an incredible man, friend and husband. Words can't express. Sharing my deepest condolences to Kathy and family. We will hold you in prayer with steadfast faith that God will carry you through this. Sending an abundance of love and called upon blessings for peace.*

Nicole McKinney - October 30, 2023 at 10:26 PM

LW

“ *Kathy, I am so sorry for your loss. I know Frank was the love of your life. I am sending love and prayers for an extra measure of God's peace.*



Lynn Widener - October 30, 2023 at 12:26 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Frank G. Pifferetti Jr..*



October 30, 2023 at 10:39 AM

CB

“ *My deepest condolences go out to Kathy and the family. Sending hugs of comfort and peace.*

**Cynthia D Brooks** - October 30, 2023 at 09:29 AM

WC

“ *Wayne Comer lit a candle in memory of Frank Pifferetti*



**Wayne Comer** - October 30, 2023 at 07:53 AM

WC

“ *My deepest condolences and prayers go out to Kathy and her family. For years, Frank and I would meet at the convent store for coffee, exchange the latest events about the Town, and see mutual friends. Frank would be on his way to church in High Point, and he would share his passion for playing the organ and people in the church. I will miss you, my friend. Wayne*

**Wayne Comer** - October 30, 2023 at 07:52 AM

BC

“ *Frank gave us a cherished memory of himself every day. He was the finest musician I have ever known and the kindest man I have ever known. He kept track of every choir member and handbell ringer dealing with illness or other problems. No one can take his place.*

**Bob Carter** - October 30, 2023 at 06:11 AM

NS

*Don & I totally agree!!*

**Nancy Skelton** - October 30, 2023 at 09:15 PM

LS

“ To Frank's Family in Pennsylvania and his wife. Our deepest condolences in the loss of your son/brother/husband. We extend our deepest sympathy to you. Lisa Smith and Ed Sterba, Jr.

Lisa D Smith - October 29, 2023 at 09:03 PM

KH

“ Our condolences to you Cathy and the family on Frank's passing. We loved him in his time at First United Methodist, Salisbury. He was always so kind. Prayers for comfort and peace for you all. Faye and Ken Hollar.

Ken and Faye Hollar - October 29, 2023 at 06:05 PM



“ Frank was kind and so very talented. Many will miss him at Wesley Memorial. May God comfort and sustain those who mourn his passing.



Leigh Anne Bassinger - October 29, 2023 at 03:38 PM

LB

“ Our deepest and most heartfelt condolences go out to you all. Are thoughts and prayers are with you all. With love~Randy and Laura Brecht

Laura Brecht - October 29, 2023 at 03:15 PM

MD

“ *Mr Frank , we all are going to miss you. We love you ,  
Ur Forever Speedway Family*

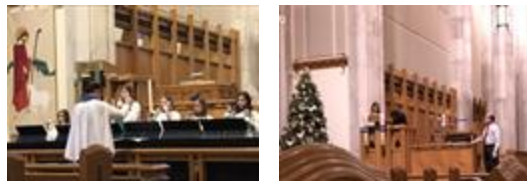


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**Marie Dukes** - October 29, 2023 at 09:26 AM

MR

“ *Our family will miss Mr. Frank. He was wonderful in welcoming our children into the handbell choir at church, scheduling them as crucifers/acolytes, and scripture readers during the traditional services. The way he played an organ gave me chills most Sundays. Such a sudden and tragic loss that we are still wrapping our minds around. Prayers and thoughts to all the family during this difficult time.  
-The Reeves Family*



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**Molly Reeves** - October 28, 2023 at 03:18 PM

TK

“ *I can remember growing up n visiting Frankie ( Little Frankie) as we called him. At his families home in new Stanton . Frankie was such a nice kid when we were young, wish we could have all stayed in touch ! Rest in Peace Frankie! Our condolences n prayers to your family! Tina Kuhns(Plum)*

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**Tina Kuhns** - October 28, 2023 at 02:34 PM

CH

“ *Our thoughts and prayers with the family.  
Frank was indeed a wonderful person. We are  
saddened to learn of his loss.*  
-Connie & Buddy Hoffner



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**Connie Hoffner** - October 28, 2023 at 02:13 PM

LW

“ *I so admired Frank  
He was so talented  
He will be missed by all of our church  
Linda Wheeler*

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**Linda Wheeler** - October 28, 2023 at 12:05 PM

CE

“ *We loved Frank when he was our music director at First Methodist,  
Salisbury. So sad to learn of his passing.*

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**carol elkins-bachl** - October 28, 2023 at 09:40 AM

JW

“ *I was so saddened to learn of the tragic loss of my dear friend and  
colleague,  
Frank Pifferetti. To the congregation at Wesley Memorial, he had  
already introduced them to Heavenly Music. Now, thanks to Frank,  
when we see him in Heaven we will have already been introduced  
to the repertoire. May he rest in peace and his memory continue to  
be a blessing.*

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**Josef English Walker** - October 28, 2023 at 07:02 AM

KB

“ I have enjoyed working with Frank the last 14 years! His incredible talent musically and his wonderful sense of humor are two qualities I will miss most. He was passionate about life and the world will be a much quieter place now! Rest on my brother in music and life!

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**Keith Byrd** - October 27, 2023 at 10:55 PM

JM

“ There are just no words. Loved this man.

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**Judy marsh** - October 27, 2023 at 07:05 PM