

Victor Zangla

April 16, 1930 - December 20, 2018

Victor Zangla, age 88 of La Plata, Maryland, died December 20, 2018 at the Charles County Hospice House in Waldorf, Maryland.

Victor was the eldest son of Italian immigrants, Maria and Nunziato Zangla. His family lived in Southwest Washington, DC where he enjoyed a community that would become lifetime friends. His fondest childhood memories including riding his bike through the historic sites of Washington, DC, playing basketball for the SW Metropolitan Police Boys and Girls Club, learning to bake at Clement's Pastry Shop, being a devoted member of St. Dominic's Catholic Church and school, and attending St. John's College High School.

He served was a Veteran of the United States Air Force 113th Aircraft Control Squadron and a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in La Plata, Maryland. He was also a member of Southwest Alumni Association, American Legion, Sons of Italy, Maryland Association of Certified Public Accountants, George Washington University Alumni Association, and Missionaries of Charity. Some of his noteworthy achievements were Assistant Director at United States General Accounting Office, Investigator on the Iran-Contra Committee, Assistant Audit Manager at PEPCO, and the DC Air National Guard.

He worked his way up from file clerk at PEPCO to the Director of National

Security and International Affairs Division of the General Accounting Office. Victor pieced his education together while working full time and raising a family. He eventually earned a Certificate of Accounting at Benjamin Franklin University, Certified Public Accountant, and Master of Business Administration degree from George Washington University.

Victor's modest upbringing was the catalyst of many blessings. He could fix a car, add an addition to the home, spot a good real estate investment, and decorate a wedding cake to the specific order of one of his four daughters. He enjoyed many things including fishing, crabbing, painting with Bob Ross, touring museums, reading, jitterbug dancing, volunteering at the Sisters in Charity in DC, locksmithing, serving at the Missionaries of Charity, wood working/carving/whittling, tending to his fig tree, and so much more!

Although he will be greatly missed, his life lessons about faith, family, and education will continue to guide us.

In addition to his parents, he is also predeceased by his first wife of 34 years, Connie; his sisters, Nancy and Rose; and his step-grandson, John Freeman.

He is survived by his loving wife of 17 years, Irene Armstrong-Zangla; his children, Maria Martin, Donna Bradley, Susan Kauffman, Diana Hendricks, and Victor Zangla and their spouses; his step-children, Gordon Armstrong, Catherine Freeman, Janet Abbott, Joanne Moran, Terry Armstrong and their spouses; his brothers, Angelo Zangla and Rosario (Saddy) Zangla; 24 grandchildren and 10 step-grandchildren; five great-grandchildren and six step-great grandchildren.

Friends received on Thursday, December 27, 2018 from 9:00 AM until time of Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 201 St. Mary's Avenue, La Plata, Maryland 20646. Interment at 2:00 PM at

Resurrection Cemetery, 8000 Woodyard Road, Clinton, Maryland 20735.

Memorial contributions in Victor's name may be sent to Missionaries of Charity, 3310 Wheeler Road SE, Washington, DC 20032.

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

8000 Woodyard Road
Clinton, MD 20735

Previous Events

Viewing

DEC 27. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
201 St Marys Ave
La Plata, MD 20646
(301) 934-2261

Mass of Christian Burial

DEC 27. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Victor Zangla*

October 08, 2023 at 10:45 PM



“ *Victor Zangla*

October 04, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ *3 files added to the album Funeral Videos*



Paul Bradley Martin - December 30, 2018 at 03:12 PM



“ *My deepest sympathy to the family of Vic Zangla. I knew him many years ago when he was my supervisor in the Audit Department of PEPCO in 1969. I remember him as a wonderful boss and truly a kind man. Linda Dennison DeSarno*

Linda Desarno - December 29, 2018 at 12:43 PM

MW

“ *Zangla Family: My deepest sympathy to you in the lost of Victor. He was a wonderful man and always so soft spoken and ready to help anyone. I had the great pleasure of knowing him in his earlier days with Connie and most recent days with Irene. I looked forward to going to the Annual SWAA Thanksgiving Dinner when he and Irene cooked the majority of the food and had friendship with them there. I will miss this wonderful man. God Bless you all. Marion Wong-Halwick*

Marion Wong-Halwick - December 26, 2018 at 08:50 PM

MS

“ *Margaret Stanley lit a candle in memory of Victor Zangla*



Margaret Stanley - December 26, 2018 at 06:57 PM

MS

“ *I'm Margaret Stanley (Yates) one of the Yates clan. Years ago, my husband was diagnosed with Alzheimer's and became fearful of climbing steps to where all the bathrooms were. Victor offered to help my brother, Dick Yates, completely install a new bathroom downstairs where it was easily accessible to my husband. Victor and my brother spent three or four days on the job. Victor helped install it all...new drywall, new sink, new toilet, the whole works. It was a very tough job and when I offered Victor the money he deserved for all the hard work, he refused to accept it and said to "put that money away Margaret." This is one of the many kind and thoughtful memories I have of Victor. He will surely be missed. May God bless his soul.*

Margaret Stanley - December 26, 2018 at 06:57 PM

AH

“ *I will always remember Victor when I was coming up. He had a place in the country and he would stop by with Angelo or Saddy and pick me up which was something I really looked forward to. I still have memories of those times and I will miss you Victor. Paul Halwick*



Ann Halwick - December 26, 2018 at 04:43 PM

EM

“ *Ed and Joanne Mangino purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Victor Zangla.*



Ed and Joanne Mangino - December 26, 2018 at 04:08 PM

EM

“ Around 1970 my mother, grandmom Mangino, had been complaining about her old kitchen but could not really afford to spend any money on upgrading it..

So your father gave my mother, his mother-in-law, an endorsed blank check and told her to buy whatever she needed to do the upgrade. She was quick to tell him it could cost \$1000.00 ----- he said no problem.

Just to give you an idea of what he offered her, I Googled it: a \$1000.00 in 1970 would be worth \$6496 in 2018.

So your dad my have been very frugal, but he was very generous as well.

He also took me shopping with him once into a shady neighborhood to get some good canned food bargains for his (3) daughters who were all in college at the same time. On the way home we stopped at an Italian deli and he bought some great olives and a loaf of Italian bread and we had a pick nick on the drive home.

He was my best brother-in-law.

Uncle Eddie

Ed Mangino - December 26, 2018 at 03:53 PM

SS

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with the Zangla Family.

Sheila Stanley

Sheila Stanley - December 26, 2018 at 02:49 PM

VR

“ Thank you for always inspiring me to learn and never give up. You will always be "my Uncle Victor." Love from your namesake niece Victoria (Vick)



Vicky Rainey - December 26, 2018 at 12:09 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Victor Zangla.



December 26, 2018 at 10:28 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Victor Zangla.



December 26, 2018 at 10:26 AM

JO

“ I always admired Mr. Zangla. He was very reserved, deliberate and dedicated to his family. I saw his drive to work and succeed not for 'glory' but to provide for his family. His faith assures his future with the Lord.

John & Linda Olson

John Olson - December 26, 2018 at 10:24 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Victor Zangla.



December 26, 2018 at 10:08 AM



“ I'm so sorry for your loss. I truly admired your father when I was growing up. I was always amazed at his skills and it seemed like he could do anything! He was also such a kind man, the kind of father anyone would be blessed to have in their life. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.

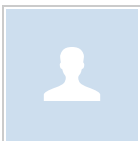
Bob & Jennifer Olson

Bob Olson - December 25, 2018 at 10:09 AM



“ Many fond memories of Victor. I called him "Uncle Victor" when I was growing up. Victor spent so much time with my dad, Francis Yates. It was so special that the Zangla family and the Yates family grew up together in DC and remained lifelong friends. We will all miss him.

Kathy Yates Kimble - December 24, 2018 at 05:48 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Victor Zangla.



December 24, 2018 at 03:54 PM

MM

“ 5 files added to the album Memories Album



Maria L Martin - December 24, 2018 at 02:45 PM

1H

“ Words can not describe how much I love and care about the Zangla family. Vic was always so wonderful to my parents and I, and I always knew his love and care for us was genuine. It has been many years since I saw him last but Vic and Connie were always very special to me. I know my mother and Connie have been looking over all of us for many years in heaven and now Vic has joined them in the heavenly celebration in the sky with our Lord.

Maria, Donna, Susan, Dianna and Vic while we haven't seen as much of each other as we did when we were younger, you all have always been very special to me and I have always counted you as family. My thoughts and prayers are with you in this time of loss and grief. I love you all very much.

Your brother in spirit and your friend always.

Lennie

Leonard M. Hutton

1SG(R) Leonard M. Hutton - December 23, 2018 at 10:12 PM

JG

“ Joann Gauzza sent a virtual gift in memory of Victor Zangla



Joann Gauzza - December 23, 2018 at 09:31 PM

JG

There are so many memories from the Zangla home. The birthday parties, young life gatherings, holiday dinners, weddings, sons of Italy dinners and many other events. His cake decorating was worthy of a chef. His fig tree that you could see from the kitchen. Vic was always busy with his many talents and learning new things. The Zangla home was Italian - warm, inviting and fun.

Joann Gauzza - December 23, 2018 at 09:45 PM

MM

“ 7 files added to the album Memories Album



Maria L. Martin - December 23, 2018 at 04:20 PM

MM

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Maria L. Martin - December 23, 2018 at 04:10 PM

JP

“ I have such wonderful memories of Mr. Vic and all my time spent at he and Connie's Fort Washington home. It truly felt like my second home, so warm and inviting. I loved being able to ride my bike from my home to theirs.

As I told Diana, I'll never forget the days that he would sit patiently and teach me how to play his guitar or a new computer game which was just up and coming during those years so it was mind blowing for me! I was constantly learning something new and he always was willing to share his knowledge with me and happy to do so. You Zanglas had two extraordinary parents. Peace and comfort to you all. All my love 💕 Love Jennifer Gauzza Passaro



Jennifer Passaro - December 23, 2018 at 03:07 PM



AnnaMae Zangla

“ Dear Victor. We are never ready to say good bye to a loved one. I was 15 when Angelo bought me home to meet the Zangla Family. A Irish girl not understanding a word of Italian and scared to death. Everyone welcomed me and showed me love. You not only were Angelo's Big brother, you became mine. I will hold in my heart all the good time memories until we meet again. See ya <3 AnnaMae & Angelo

AnnaMae Zangla - December 23, 2018 at 10:54 AM

MM

We love you Aunt Anna Mae!

Maria L. Martin - December 23, 2018 at 11:55 AM

LT

“ *Linda Yates Taylor lit a candle in memory of Victor Zangla*



Linda Yates Taylor - December 23, 2018 at 08:14 AM

LT

Will miss seeing Victor at the Annual Crab feast in Morningside MD. I remember Victor as a kind an soft spoken man. Our prayers to his family and friends.

Linda Yates Taylor - December 23, 2018 at 08:17 AM

MM

Thank you Linda!

Maria L. Martin - December 23, 2018 at 11:56 AM

BP

“ *Ben, Janice & Anna Young, Doug & Jen Pinckney purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Victor Zangla.*



Ben, Janice & Anna Young, Doug & Jen Pinckney -
December 22, 2018 at 06:07 PM

KP

“ Dear Maria and family: We were saddened to hear of the loss of your father. I know that you shared many memories and loving times with him. It was a great pleasure to meet him at the wedding. May you rejoice with him knowing that he is now in the presence of our Lord. May He send His Holy Spirit to comfort you in this time of sadness and loss. Know that your dad is in our thoughts and prayers. Richard and Karen Proule

Karen Proule - December 22, 2018 at 01:19 PM

MM

Thank you so much Karen.

Maria L. Martin - December 23, 2018 at 11:55 AM

GA

“ Victor was my godfather and a very good friend to the Yates family. May 12, 1969 my mother died suddenly. Victor and his family had a crab feast in their backyard on May 27th that year to help my father Sonny, my brother Terry and myself celebrate my sister Linda's 14th birthday. I had several conversations with Victor over the years and he was always eager to share his career experience and provide guidance. He will be missed. Our condolences to the Zangla family, Gary, Linda and Terry Yates

Gary - December 22, 2018 at 11:40 AM

MM

Thank you Gary! He always enjoyed crabs with friends and especially with all the Yates family. Love, Maria

Maria Martin - December 22, 2018 at 12:46 PM

GA

“ Grace "Sissy" Albrittain lit a candle in memory of Victor Zangla



Grace "Sissy" Albrittain - December 22, 2018 at 11:13 AM

MM

Thank you sweet Sissy. We love you!

Maria Martin - December 22, 2018 at 12:44 PM

GY

“ Gary Yates lit a candle in memory of Victor Zangla



Gary Yates - December 22, 2018 at 11:10 AM

DG

“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers to the family. It has been said, "That where ever a good soul has walked, there is a trail of beautiful memories".



Dianne & Chuck Goodrich - December 22, 2018 at 09:31 AM

IA

Thank you Chuck and Dianne. You have been wonderful and caring neighbors to us for many years. Victor was so fond of your both. Irene Armstrong-Zangla

Irene Armstrong-Zangla - December 22, 2018 at 10:30 PM