



Elia Q. Sousou

JUL 25, 1937 - MAR 1, 2022



Scan to Visit



Table of Contents

Obituary	Page 3
Events	Page 5
Tribute Wall	Page 6



Elia Q. Sousou

JUL 25, 1937 - MAR 1, 2022

Elia Q. Sousou, 84, of Baldwinsville, NY, fell asleep in the Lord peacefully surrounded by his loving wife and children on Tuesday, March 1, 2022. He was one of ten children born to Qustandi and Jalileh Sousou in Ramleh, Palestine on July 25, 1937. Elia spent his entire childhood working many jobs to help support his family. He emigrated to the United States in 1959 and found his forever home in Syracuse, NY where he raised his family and made many close friendships throughout the years. He became a lifelong member of St. Elias Church where he faithfully served on the Parish Council for many years and spent many years working at the St. Elias Middle Eastern Festival.

Elia was so generous that he personally sponsored many family members and friends from his homeland in Palestine to Syracuse where he helped them build their homes and create a future for their families. Elia worked several jobs in Syracuse before he became a self-made entrepreneur and businessman when he bought Ike's Superette, which he owned for 19 years. Everyone in the community where he owned Ike's Superette knew him as "Ike" and loved him dearly. He instilled hard work, dedication and perseverance in his children and grandchildren.

Elia was a devoted and loving husband, father, and grandfather to his family who adored him so much. He enjoyed his life to the fullest. He and his wife loved to cruise and have sailed on over 30 cruises throughout the years. His last cruise was his family's most memorable where he took his five children on a 7-night cruise to the Western Caribbean where he danced and played in the casino. He was so loved and well known on that cruise that the entire crew called him "Baba".

Elia loved to have fun so much and loved to see his family smile and laugh that on his last night on this earth, he danced, clapped, and sang for them from his bed, just so he could see them smile for one last time.

Elia was an avid NY sports fan with the Yankees and Giants being his favorite teams.



Obituary

Elia Q. Sousou

JUL 25, 1937 - MAR 1, 2022

Elia is predeceased by his parents, his brothers Hanna and Fawzi, and his sisters Almaza and Samira.

Elia is survived by his wife of 55 years, Nuha (Dayeh) Sousou, who he affectionally referred to as "Nunu". He is also survived by his five children, who called him "Baba" - Irene (Nabil) Allawh, Holly (Andrew) Kane, Joanne (Brian) Craig, Anthony Sousou and Faris (Lisa) Sousou. He has ten loving grandchildren who refer to him as "Sedo or Seeds" - Rina, Tanya, Thomas, Matthew, Alexander, Alaina, Madalyne, Anthony, Jacob and Emilie. They were his pride and joy.

Elia is also survived by his siblings Bishara Sousou, Siham Ayoub, Suad Sousou, Nuha Zraik, Vicky Shehadeh and many brother & sister in laws, nieces, nephews and friends who loved him.

Calling hours will be held on Saturday, March 5, 2022, from 10AM to 12PM, with a funeral service to follow at 12PM at St. Elias Antiochian Orthodox Church, 4988 Onondaga Rd., Syracuse, NY. He will be laid to rest in Oakwood Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that donations be made to the St. Elias Antiochian Orthodox Church Building Fund, 4988 Onondaga Road, Syracuse NY 13215.

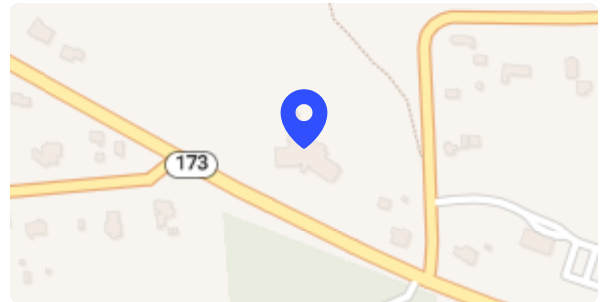


Events

Elia Q. Sousou
JUL 25, 1937 - MAR 1, 2022

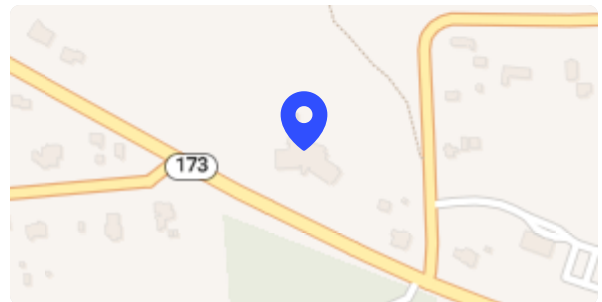
Visitation

- 📅 **Saturday**, March 5, 2022
- 🕒 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET
- 📍 **St. Elias Antiochian Orthodox Church**
4988 Onondaga Rd., Syracuse NY 13215



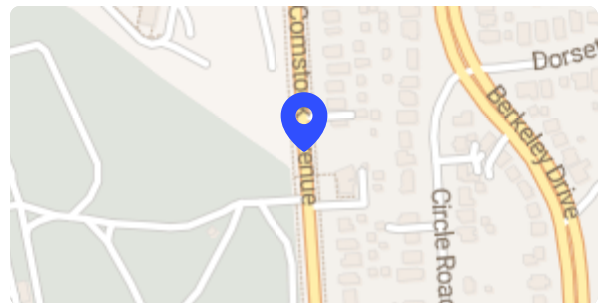
Funeral Service

- 📅 **Saturday**, March 5, 2022
- 🕒 12:00 PM ET
- 📍 **St. Elias Antiochian Orthodox Church**
4988 Onondaga Rd., Syracuse NY 13215



Cemetery Details

- 📍 **Oakwood Cemetery - Syracuse**
940 COMSTOCK AVENUE, SYRACUSE NY 13210
- 📞 475-2194





Tribute Wall

Elia Q. Sousou
JUL 25, 1937 - MAR 1, 2022



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Sousou family.



March 4 at 9:54 AM



Christine Kimak posted:

Faris, So saddened to hear of your father's passing. Thinking of you, Lisa and your family at this time. Please send our condolences to your mom. Love, Chris and Jim Kimak and family

March 4 at 7:11 AM



Anonymous sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Sousou family.



March 3 at 5:03 PM



Arlinda Hanna posted:

We are saddened by the loss of such a kind and loving man. Elia will be missed by all of us, but we will treasure the special memories we made with him. May the Lord comfort each of you and repose Elia's soul. You are all on in our prayers. With love, Nabil and Mary Louh & children

March 3 at 2:33 PM



Anonymous sent a Treasured Lilies Spray to the Sousou family.



March 3 at 2:24 PM



Anonymous sent a Strength & Solace Spray to the Sousou family.



March 2 at 2:44 PM



Tribute Wall

Elia Q. Sousou

JUL 25, 1937 - MAR 1, 2022



Cherylene Shollenberger posted:

Just reading Mr. Sousou's obituary makes me sad to not have personally known him. Condolences to all the family. We felt we knew Elia through some social media posts. We send our condolences to all the family. We are travel clients of Irene- Cherylene and Barry Shollenberger

March 2 at 2:39 PM



Donna Geiger posted:

The Festival will not be the same without his smiling face. He was a kind man, and a gentleman. I will miss him. It was a privilege to know him.

March 2 at 2:22 PM



Anonymous sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Sousou family.



March 2 at 1:54 PM



Sharon Williams lit a candle in honor of Elia.

Dear Holly and family. My prayers and thoughts are with you. May he rest in peace. Sharon Williams (Aunt Sharon)



March 2 at 10:14 AM



Sumaya, Costa, Roger And Jeanann sent a Serenity Wreath to the Sousou family.



March 2 at 10:02 AM



Tribute Wall

Elia Q. Sousou

JUL 25, 1937 - MAR 1, 2022



Liz Griffith posted:

Mrs. Sousou, Holly, Andy, Matthew, Tommy, Joanne, Brian, Alex, Alaina and Family-we are very sorry for your loss. Your Dad and Grandfather was loving, kind, happy and always made us and our children feel welcome. Nate liked their talks. Thinking of you all and sending our love, prayers and strength to you.

March 2 at 9:38 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Elia by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



Scan to Visit

