



Marc Pittarelli

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Marc Pittarelli, age 64, returned to the communion of Saints on Monday, March 24, 2025. He made this transition while at the Friends of Dorothy Catholic Worker House cared for by the love and compassion of his wife and beloved community. For seven years Marc battled Posterior Cortical Atrophy, a brutal and rare form of dementia that stole from him his vision, motor function, speech, and eventually his life, but never his Spirit. Despite the struggle, he remained to the last day an amazing artist, husband, father and friend. He leaves with us a collection of sculpture and pastel landscapes of his beloved Block Island and a body artwork that was shown in galleries, art shows, and publications. His art remains a comfort and sign of his gift shared with our broken world.

Marc was born on January 7, 1961 to Anthony and the late Shirley Pittarelli. He graduated from Jamesville DeWitt High school and attended the Syracuse University Fine Arts Department. He retired as Vice-President of Sales from City Electric after 40 dedicated years. Marc was much loved and respected by employees and customers alike. Along with his wife, he loved hosting work trips in Europe, Mexico, and the Caribbean where he would always be up for an outdoor adventure or a night of karaoke. They spent time every summer on Block Island in the little cottage on the cliff where he would find inspiration for future artworks.

Marc immediately fell in love with his beloved, Carla Berrigan. They married in August of 2000 and began a life filled with abundant love and a desire to fill their lives with beauty and constant companionship. They never tired of being together.

Marc is survived by his wife, Carla; his daughter, Sarah (Ahmad) Ghannam; his sons, Louis Pittarelli and Layvon Washington; his grandchildren, Khalil and Riyad; his father, Anthony Pittarelli; his sisters, Teresa Dzelinski, Anne Impellizeri; his brother, Michael Pittarelli (Beth Rice); along with several nieces, nephews, and cousins.



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A funeral mass in celebration of Marc's life will be held on Friday, March 28, 2025 at 11:00 A.M. in St. Lucy's Church, 432 Gifford St. Syracuse.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to The Friends of Dorothy Catholic Worker, 212 Wayne St. Syracuse, NY 13203 or the St. Martin de Porres Catholic Worker, 26 Clark St. Hartford, CT 06120.




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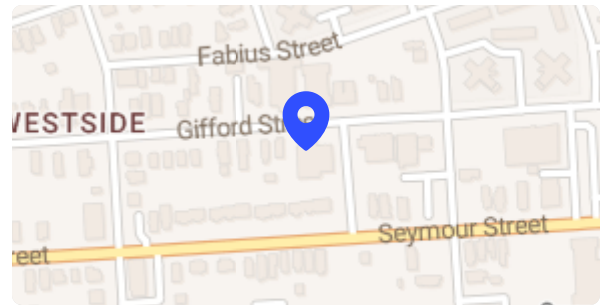
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Funeral Mass

 **Friday**, March 28, 2025

 11:00 AM ET

 **St. Lucy's Church**
423 Gifford Street, Syracuse NY 13204-3254





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Steve Vitacolonna posted:

I was so saddened to find out Marc had passed. It came as such a shock; we were roommates and friends for many years. I had left Syracuse many years ago and only managed to touch base occasionally. Such a talented and thoughtful person, gone much too soon. My deepest condolences to the Pittarelli family, especially Carla as I know he had found his soulmate. Steve Vitacolonna

September 1 at 1:17 PM



Alicia D lit a candle in honor of Marc.

Marc, the 1st Nextdoor neighbor I can recall. I was quite young yet I remember you being welcoming, funny and usually had a smile on your face. I remember your love for Carla and so very grateful for the life long friend you have given me, Sarah. I send my love to your friends and family who carry on your memory. Especially Sarah, Louie and Carla. Rest easy and fly high



April 6 at 12:35 PM



Steve Briem posted:

We are so sorry for the loss of such a beautiful person. Marc welcomed everyone with a sincere heartwarming smile and made everyone feel important. He will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with him and his family! Steve and Tina Briem

March 29 at 5:38 AM



Michael Lynn posted:

R. I. P. SparkyMarc

March 27 at 4:14 PM



Louie Pittarelli posted:

You're a good man, Charlie Brown

March 27 at 3:58 PM



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Sharon Mcknight Kelleran posted:

I am so sorry for your loss. Marc was a wonderful fun loving friend, husband, Dad, son, and brother ! He leaves all of us on Erregger terrace with wonderful memories!! Rest in peace my dear friend!! Prayers and love to all the Pittarellis! Unfortunately I am in Alabama and will not be able to give you all a hug in person but my hearts with you! 🙏🙏🙏❤️

March 27 at 5:55 AM



Anne Impellizzeri April 16 at 7:40 PM

Many happy memories indeed. With dear friends. ❤️



Michael Johnson March 27 at 5:37 PM

I agree with your sentiments whole heartedly Sharon. I remember Marc as one of the cool Erregger Terrace kids. The last time I was home I cruised around Erregger Terrace and thought of Marc as I drove by his house. Great childhood memories ❤️❤️❤️



Sarah Ghannam posted:

Love you, Dad.

March 26 at 7:05 PM



Lisa lit a candle in honor of Marc.



March 26 at 6:49 PM



Anne Impellizzeri April 16 at 7:38 PM

Thank you.



Lisa posted:

You will always be remembered as the guy with the contagious smile and big heart. My deepest condolences to your family and friends. Raiap Marc.

March 26 at 6:46 PM



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EW

Ericka Rodriguez- Catholic Worker posted:

Marc was an incredible artist with a heart of gold. I'm sorry for your family's loss.

March 26 at 1:52 PM

RV

Ros Volk posted:

To my lovely Pittarellis-I was shocked and saddened to hear about Marc.He was a truly nice person and excellent artist, an so many other amazing things. Even though it's been quite awhile since I've seen your family, I still consider you all a part of mine. As I was driving past one of Marc's old addresses, before I heard about it, his name was shouting in my head. Now I know why. Shirley will have greeted him with her sweet smile and a hug. All my sympathies to all of you.Ros Volk

March 26 at 10:48 AM



Anne Impellizzeri April 16 at 7:39 PM

Thank you Ros. Miss you. ❤️

TM

Tom Muench posted:

Marc was one of my students and JD. My prayers and with you all during this a difficult time. I regret that I cannot be with you during this time because we are wintering in Florida. I will be praying for you the day of the funeral. Also my brother Father Bill Muench will be saying a mass for Marc. Have if he is not in heaven then none of us will make.it. With all my love Tom Muench

March 26 at 7:13 AM



Anne Impellizzeri April 16 at 7:42 PM

Thank you, Mr. Muench.

CT

Carol Teixeira posted:

Marc was such a lovely man. My condolences to his loved ones.

March 25 at 4:35 PM



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SB

Shelley Bryant posted:

Marc was a kind soul and loved by all. He was so talented and will be greatly missed. Love, cousin Shelley and Greg.

March 25 at 3:47 PM

AI

Anne Impellizzeri posted:

You can rest now, dear brother, and be welcomed into Heaven by loved ones we have lost and have been waiting for you. Your beauty and spirit will live on in your children, your grandchildren, your artwork, and in the hearts of everyone who was lucky enough to know you.

March 25 at 2:49 PM

TD

Teresa Pittarelli Dzilenski posted:

No words can express our grief. Marc was taken from us too soon. A light has gone out for all of us who knew him. Rest in peace, sweet brother, rest in peace.

March 25 at 12:56 PM

CW

Catherine Dzilenski Wilson posted:

My uncle Marc was a beautiful person. He blessed those he knew with his happy, gentle, loving energy. He was a gifted artist, loving father, and husband. The world was better with him in it, if only for a short precious time.

March 25 at 12:46 PM

SH

Sue Hagedorn posted:

Marc was a bright light—funny, kind, and loving. RIP, Mark, and lots of hugs to Carla and Catholic Worker friends who care for him so gently.

March 25 at 12:41 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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