



Francis (Frank) J. Rogers

April 28, 2018

Francis (Frank) J. Rogers, 64, died peacefully on April 28, 2018.

Son of the late Jane (Andrade) and John Rogers, he was educated in the Taunton School System. When Frank was a teenager he hoped to become a mechanic.

Unfortunately, Frank's life changed suddenly, at the age of 17, in the early hours of January 1, 1970. As a passenger in a car that was involved in an automobile accident, Frank was thrown from the vehicle and suffered a head injury. He spent the next four months in a coma. When Frank came to, he found that the right side of his body was paralyzed.

However, with determination and the dedication of his mother, Frank was able to accomplish so much. He learned to walk with a cane, got his GED, got his driver's license and led a full and active life. He worked as a clerk in Senator Ted Aleixo's office, was active in this city's Democratic Party, could often be seen at the polls on election day. He was a member of the PACC and Taunton's YMCA, where he learned to swim as part of his therapy. Frank loved to fish and was an avid fan of the Boston Red Sox.

Frank leaves behind his siblings, Ann Sauerbier of Taunton, William Hathaway and his wife Bonnie of Dighton, Steven Rogers and his wife Lori of Taunton, and Matt Tavares and his wife Celia of Carlisle; a sister in law Cynthia Hathaway of Taunton; and many nieces and nephews and grand nieces and nephews. Frank was also brother to the late Jean Spangler, and Manuel Hathaway.

Family and friends are invited to funeral services Wednesday, May 2, 2018, at 10:00, in the Crapo Hathaway Funeral Home, 350 Somerset Ave. (Rt 138), Taunton, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial, at 11am, in the Holy Family Church, 372 Middleboro Ave, East Taunton. Burial to follow in St. Joseph Cemetery, Taunton.

An hour of visitation will be held prior to services, from 9-10am, on Wednesday, in the

funeral home.

In Lieu of flowers donations may be made in Frank's name to the Holy Family Parish Center Building Fund, PO Box 619, East Taunton, MA 02718.

Cemetery

St. Joseph Cemetery

East Britannia Street
Taunton, MA,

Events

MAY **Visitation** 09:00AM - 10:00AM

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Crapo-Hathaway Funeral Home
350 Somerset Avenue, Taunton, MA, US, 02780

MAY **Funeral** 10:00AM

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MAY **Funeral Mass** 11:00AM

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Holy Family Parish Church
372 Middleboro Ave., East Taunton, MA, US

Comments



“ Lorraine Lema Krueger lit a candle in memory of Francis (Frank) J. Rogers



Lorraine Lema Krueger - May 03, 2018 at 09:29 AM



“ Love you Uncle Frank. Be at peace. I am glad there is no more suffering. I Love you



Laura Spangler - May 01, 2018 at 01:06 PM



“ Sending most sincere sympathy on your loss. I came to know Frank through my late fiancé. He was always a delight to talk to. He had an infectious laugh and gentle manner. Rest in peace, dear Frank.

Sharon Araujo

Sharon Araujo - May 01, 2018 at 09:37 AM



“ Thank you

Laura - May 01, 2018 at 01:04 PM



“ Leonard Hull, Jr. lit a candle in memory of Francis (Frank) J. Rogers



Leonard Hull, Jr. - May 01, 2018 at 08:59 AM



“ Thank you

Laura - May 01, 2018 at 01:04 PM



“ Frank was truly an inspiration to so many. A wonderful man, who I enjoyed many a conversation with during the Aleixo/Johnson era and his days at the YMCA. My condolences to his family and may God grant you inner strength and peace during this difficult time. May the wonderful memories that you have of him bring you comfort.

Leonard Hull, Jr. - May 01, 2018 at 08:58 AM



“ Thank you

Laura - May 01, 2018 at 01:03 PM



“ I have good memories of Frankie, from attending Caswell School with him and always looked forward to seeing him every year at the Holy Ghost Festa in his usual spot, welcoming people in at the front gate. RIP Frankie, you will be missed by so many.

Paula Bergevin - April 30, 2018 at 06:21 PM



“ Thank you

Laura - May 01, 2018 at 01:04 PM



“ Frank was a childhood friend. We were in grammar school together. He was a warm and loving family friend. My father enjoyed Frank's friendship and were often together during political functions. I remember babysitting the night of Frank's accident and hearing it over the police scanner and then finding out later that it was him. He was a true inspiration to me as he didn't let his accident stop him. I wish I had kept closer contact with him. He will be missed. I was in all of his grades at Caswell School. My condolences to all his family

Lorraine (Machado) Donahue - April 30, 2018 at 06:01 PM



“ Thank you

Laura - May 01, 2018 at 01:04 PM