



Frank Zaragoza

July 19, 1927 - May 3, 2026

Frank Zaragoza (WWII Veteran)

Age 98, of Minneapolis, died peacefully at home on May 3, 2026. Born July 19, 1927 in Gary, Indiana to Clement and Victoria Zaragoza. Preceded in death by his wife Santos, daughter Claudia (1), son Clement, one brother and two sisters. Survived by four sons Oliver (former wife Lori Trautman), Frank Jr., Mark, Robert; four daughters Florence Schueller (Douglas), Victoria, Aloida, Claudia (2); one brother Anthony (Tony); one sister Rachel; grandchildren and great-grandchildren; nephews, nieces; and many friends and former colleagues.

Frank was a man of the people and for the people with a gift for talking to anyone - from the common folk to city, state, and national leaders. He started his career as a boiler engineer and joined the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 70 (IUOE 70). From there he became the business manager for the union where he worked tirelessly for workers and for better working conditions. Frank's passion for justice and equity led him to become involved in the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) - Minnesota where he served on the executive board; the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) where he and his brother Tony were past presidents; the United Farm Workers; the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organization (AFL-CIO); the American Veterans (AMVETS), and many other organizations. He served as a mentor for candidates running for office and for the workers he represented. Frank would say he was for the underdog. To those that knew him personally and professionally, he was a champion for the workers and for those who felt they had no voice.

Mass of Christian Burial Thursday, May 21, 11AM at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, 401 Concord St., St. Paul. Visitation will be at the church on the day of the funeral starting at 9:30AM. Interment at Fort Snelling National Cemetery Friday, May 22, 11AM.

Upcoming Events

Visitation

MAY 21. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Our Lady of Guadalupe
401 Concord Street
Saint Paul, MN 55107

Mass of Christian Burial

MAY 21. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Graveside Service

MAY 22. 11:00 AM - 11:15 AM (CT)

Fort Snelling National Cemetery
7601 34th Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55450

Tribute Wall

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“ Terrance Zaragoza purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Frank Zaragoza.



Terrance Zaragoza - Yesterday at 09:33 PM