



## Dominic Salafia

April 4, 1950 - October 29, 2009

Dominic William Salafia, 59, of Prescott Valley, Arizona passed away at his home under the care of Hospice Of The Pines. Dominic was born in Detroit, Michigan on April 4, 1950 to Sebastian and Elsie Salafia. He was a graduate of East Detroit High School. It was as a student at Macomb County Community College, that he began an internship with Ford Motors which resulted in twelve years of employment. During this time, he secured a Bachelor's Degree in engineering from Wayne State University. Dominic was married to Sheli Hoffman in 1977. Daughter Andrea and son Michael were born to this marriage while living in East Detroit. In 1983, they moved to Phoenix where Dominic began a new career at Garrett Pneumatic Systems Division. He was considered a top notch employee; loyal, honest, creative and hard working. Always an eager learner, Dominic secured a masters degree in Business Administration from Scottsdale Community College. Over the years the company changed owners and he retired in 1983 after 23 years from Honeywell. Dominic was a hard working, happy man who loved his time traveling, especially with Sheli. He appreciated his family and friends – especially when he whipped them in some game of cards. His nieces and nephews loved the way Uncle Don teased them. He is survived by his wife of 32 years, Sheli, children, Andrea and Michael, grandson Sebastian; his brother Bill (Nancy), sisters Fran and Ann (Richard); and his nieces and nephews. A visitation will be 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM Monday at Sunrise Funeral Chapel 8167 E HWY 69 Prescott Valley, Arizona. A Celebration Of Life

Service will be 2:00 PM Tuesday at the funeral home, with a reception to follow at Sweet Adelines Hall 1945 Commerce Center Circle Suite C Prescott, Arizona 86301 Please visit [www.sunrisefuneralhome.com](http://www.sunrisefuneralhome.com) to sign Dominic's online guest book. Services entrusted to [Sunrisefuneralhome.com](http://Sunrisefuneralhome.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dominic Salafia*

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January 30, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *Dear Donnie,*

*We were always four, and now we're three.  
We miss you now; we'll miss you forever.*

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**Fran, Bill & Ann** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Although we've only known you a few years...our friendship is a special one. We are so sorry for your loss, and Sheli, you know we will be here for you and help you in any way....*

*Love, Gordon & Jane*

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**Gordon & Jane Hirsch** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *I have fond memories of "Bill" as I knew him from Garrett. My thought and prayers to those he left behind.*

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**Jo Kay Kessler** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ *To our beloved uncle whom we will miss very much. We will always cherish the memories we have of you and you will always hold a special place in our hearts.*

*Always,  
Sara, Mike and Anna*

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**Sinclair Family** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *There are no words to express my feelings, it's a great loss of a great person. He will always be remembered by me as a happy person that he was. My prayers are with all of you..God Bless!  
Uncle Bob*

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**bob bagdon** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ *Dear Sheli and Family,*

*I pray the love of your family and friends and fond memories of Dom will help you through this difficult time.*

*Love,  
Carol*

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**Carol Brown** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Sheli and Family,

*I wanted you all to know how sorry I am that Dom has passed away. As you know, I prayed that God would receive Dom's spirit and that prayer was granted - and I hope you all believe that.*

*Sheli, you told me many times that Dom wasn't afraid to die, but he was afraid to be in pain. As his body was experiencing pain toward the end, his wishes to not be in pain were granted.*

*In the next several weeks, Sheli, you are going to have high moments and very low moments. I am here for you. I'll talk to you on the phone, I'll pick you up and take you out and I'll do whatever it takes.*

*We've become very close over this past year and I look forward to being a support to you.*

*I'll always remember Dom shaking his head at the both of us as we tried to load all our stuff from his truck into my car to go to contest. His expression was - these are two nutty women. He was right!*

*Don't dwell on these past few months. Think of all the fun times you and Dom had together and with your daughter and son.*

*Dom was a fine husband, father and grandfather. There's not much more we can ask of anyone.*

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**Judi Williams** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Don, you are dearly missed.

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**Joe / Betty Church** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Dear Sheli,  
Though we haven't talked in years. Know that you were always in our thoughts. We both want you to know how sorry we are for your loss. And that were here for you if you need us!!!!  
Love you, Joe and Linda

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**Joe and Linda Hoffman** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Dear Shellie,

Although I didn't know Don very well, I know he must have been a wonderful person because he was married to you! When you need a friend, please know you can call on me. Come back to chorus soon... the music will heal your heart and lift your soul. I'm sure Don will be listening from his heavenly place.

Love,  
Rosemary

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**Rosemary Baltensberger** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ I wish I had known Dom - he sounds like a fun-loving family man. Sheli, please know that I am here for you at this difficult time.  
Love, Linda

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**Linda Beiser** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ *First a Family man  
Husband, Father, Brother, Uncle, Son, Grandfather, Nephew  
Always a Family man*

*I did not know him well  
But I knew him well enough to know  
That I liked him, that I loved him  
As a Family man*

*Eating seafood  
Playing dominoes  
Calling Matt professor  
Smiling, laughing  
Being a Family man*

*The tears flow  
You are dearly missed  
Your absence felt, but your presence too  
Help guide our thoughts  
Continue to be with us in Spirit  
Teach us to be Family men.*

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**Beth Salafia (Matt Salafia)** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PZ

“ *Sheli, I am so sorry for your loss.  
Love Pam*

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**Pamela Zawacky** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ *Sheli, I am so sorry for your loss. A comfort must be to know that  
Don is no longer in pain and suffering. You are in my thoughts and  
prayers.*

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**Kathie Wescoat** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you. Dom is now without pain and suffering and at peace

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**Charles and Shirley Court** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Dear Sheli and family,

*Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.*

*We understand your grief is over-whelming.*

*You can call us anytime.*

*Kathie and Harvey Hutter*

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**Kathie and Harvey Hutter** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ Grieve not, my friend, nor speak of him with tears, but laugh and talk of him as if he were beside you. Don't let the thought of him be sad, for he is loving you just as he always has. You were so very good to him and he loved you so. He had told me at one time that it was heaven here with you and he loved every minute he had with you. You were his life as he was yours and always will be. He will ALWAYS be with you, my friend and big sister.

*I love you. Please let me know if ever you need anything. When you are ready lets do our breakfasts again. They were always fun.*

*Arlene*

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**arlene brownie** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ *The toughest part of saying goodbye is knowing it came too soon. You will always be in our hearts, and we will always miss you.*

*Eating clams won't ever be the same without you.*

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**Christian and Charlotte Salafia** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ *Sheli,*

*You have shared a life of love and enrichment. Those wonderful qualities are solidly in place and will remain as part of Dom's legacy to you and your family. Incredible memories will certainly be there to cheer you always.*

*I am proud of you, your strength and wisdom as you journey through this transition time. May we all learn from you! Dom would want you to move forward with your life and I am here to help that happen. Hal joins me in assuring you that you are well grounded in our hearts and prayers.*

*Your friend in life and harmony,  
Suzy*

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**Suzy and Hal Lobaugh** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you and if you feel as if you can't breathe, that is because the Lord is wrapping you in his loving arms.*  
*Roz*

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**Roz Perry** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Dear Sheli-

*As Christians, we know that eventually we will be united with our loved ones and Jesus. Joe and I are praying for you and your family.*

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**Judy & Joe Dutko** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ *Dominic Salafia*

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**Donna & Ed Tropp** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ *Uncle Don- I love you much and will miss you always.*

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**Angie and Drew Micheau** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *Dear Sheli... You've shown such strength through the difficult times leading up to Dom's departure...you've been an example to all of us. Thank God, no more pain for Dom. I'm sure there are many happy memories...concentrate on those, and call on your friends when we can help. In Harmony and love, Mickie*

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**Mickie Hansel** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ *Dear Sheli and family,  
My deepest and sincerest sympathy to you and your family. May the love of those around you help you through the difficult days ahead. God Bless  
Love,  
John & Leeanne*

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**Leeanne Floyd** - October 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM