



Giovanni DiSomma Owner of Rosa Rosa Ristorante Italiano

Giovanni DiSomma, 55, of Lancaster, died Monday, June 9, 2008 at his home, surrounded by his family. Born April 25, 1953, he was a son of the late Gennaro and Car-mela (DiGennaro) DiSomma. He is survived by his wife of almost 30 years, Maria (Isernia) DiSomma, of Lancaster.

Mr. DiSomma was born in Naples, Italy, where his family had owned a bakery for 3 generations. While visiting a friend in Pennsylvania, Giovanni enjoyed Lancaster so much that he sold the supermarket that he owned in Italy and moved his young family here to start a new life. Giovanni worked at another restaurant when he first moved to Pennsylvania and learned to speak English while doing so. Giovanni and his wife Maria then opened My Place, and, shortly after, Rosa

Caf? in honor of his father. The Rosa Rosa Ristorante Italiano was the latest addition to the DiSomma family's passion for fine food. Mr. DiSomma operated a true family restaurant- his wife and children have been involved throughout the years.

Mr. DiSomma was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church. He was an avid soccer player and a Red Rose Award Winner. Giovanni will be lovingly remembered by his family, friends, and customers as a caring, gracious man who was full of life.

In addition to his wife, Mr. DiSomma is survived by three sons: Gennaro, Angelo, and Andrea; two daughters: Rosa and Carmela; his sister: Mariolina; his sister-in-law: Cinzia; his grandson: Giovanni V. Maldonado, and a second grandchild on the way.

A Mass of Christian Burial is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Friday, June 13, 2008 at Saint Mary's Catholic Church, 119 South Prince Street, Lancaster with Rev. Leo M. Goodman III officiating. A Viewing will take place at the Gundel Funeral Home, 415 North Duke Street, Lancaster on Thursday, June 12, 2008 from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. Following the local funeral mass, Mr. Di-Somma will be returned for burial at his birthplace in Italy. The Gundel Funeral Home, Inc. is serving the family. For additional information, please call 717-393-1776 or visit:

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