



Mr. Floyd "Tony" Ferrell

August 31, 1929 - July 17, 2014

Ferrell, Floyd "Tony" passed away July 17, 2014.

He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Carol [nee Roetheli]; three daughters: Francine McClelland [Mike Lograsso],

Chandra Ferrell [Scott Uhlmansiek], Valerie [Chris] Fernau; three grandchildren: Samantha [Dean] Sexton, Jamie and Rosie Fernau; and three great-grandchildren: Kennedy, Gillian and Barrett.

Visitation will be held Thursday, July 24 from 1pm -3pm at Valhalla Chapel; with Memorial Services at 3:00 pm with Full Military Honors.

Interment private.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or the Crossroads Hospice. www.valhallafunerals.net

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 24. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

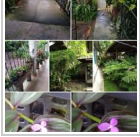
Valhalla Funeral Chapel, Crematory and Cemetery
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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Here are a few words I would like to say to Tony:

EXPIRATION DATE

Tony, as you well know, it was sometime around the early 60's when two things caught Carol's eye, a Corvette and the driver. I think that the Corvette caught her eye, because a Corvette is a "Corvette", but the driver might have first caught her eye, but with time, you the driver, caught her heart and you two then got engaged and finally decided to drive down one road of life together as husband and wife.

But... at the same time I was finishing up my years in the minor seminary near Chicago, and when I was at home on vacation some of our aunts on the Roetheli side of the family approached me with something they wanted me to do, since Carol and I were the first grandchildren of the Roetheli family and the two of us were very close to one another. In those times the Catholic Church was even more closed in on itself and inside the walls it built to isolate the "faithful" from those "non faithful" on the outer side of the walls. The Roetheli family was 100% Germany catholic, and due to the ridged catholic formation offered by the church and received by all, our aunts became very concerned because Carol, the first of the Roetheli grandchildren, was making plans to marry you, Tony, a non catholic and they had "heard" that you didn't even go to church.

My reaction to their desire was "I could NOT do that". I guess that they thought that I, a seminarian, would agree with them and talk to Carol. I said that the decision had been made by you two and that I had, and we all had, to respect your lives and your decision as a couple.

I was not able to take part in your wedding ceremony, which I really wanted to be able to do, as I was in the novitiate, and after that I studied here and there and finally came here to Brazil. We never had much contact but I learned to respect you and your beliefs, and

was always happy when we could be together.

Once you mentioned to me that you were very much honored that I had ask you and Carol with Francine to lead the entrance procession of my First Mass. I think that I told you that I was honored to have you three there in front because Carol and I during many and many years were almost like sister and brother, and since you two were married I wanted all three of you there. Also, Tony, I have for a long time have had an open attitude towards life, and wanted you and Carol with Francine there to show that the church has to open the windows and doors to let in some fresh air. I am extremely happy that Pope Francis has many times shown that the church must open the windows and doors, especially when he said: "I invite even non-believers to desire peace. (Join us) with your desire, a desire that widens the heart. Let us all unite, either with prayer or with desire, but everyone, for peace." during his first Christmas message. Francis is something else.

After your EXPIRATION DATE finally arrived I have had a wonderful pleasure of being able to exchange ideas and experiences with Carol and discovered that you had many questions about religion, God, etc. and that you believed in Someone out there, Tony. I am sure that your life as husband and wife was a good life. You had three wonderful daughters, three grandchildren and three great grandchildren. I have seen many photos of happy persons in the family pictures. I am also sure that on the moment of your EXPIRATION DATE the Loving "Someone" Father reached out, took your hand to help you start out on your journey in Eternal Life where one day we all hope to meet up with you again, walk together with you, have a good laugh and a wonderful time.

Until our Expiration Dates, GO IN PEACE, TONY!



Francis Roetheli - July 25, 2014 at 10:08 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Mr. Floyd "Tony" Ferrell.



July 23, 2014 at 07:58 AM



“ *In Remembrance Woodgrain Petite Music Box* was purchased for the family of Mr. Floyd "Tony" Ferrell.



July 20, 2014 at 08:18 PM



“ *'Faith, Hope, and Peace' Comfort Candle* was purchased for the family of Mr. Floyd "Tony" Ferrell.



July 20, 2014 at 08:06 PM