



Francis "Frank" Shortino

April 19, 1942 - January 4, 2026

Francis "Frank" Joseph Shortino, 83, passed away peacefully, leaving behind a life marked by hard work, devotion to family, and a love for adventure.

Frank was born on April 19, 1942, in Scottsville, New York, to the late Joseph Shortino and Rose Shortino. He was the beloved husband of Joan Cappadonia Shortino, with whom he shared 62 years of marriage. As a couple, they loved to travel the world including places like Egypt, New Zealand, China, Australia, Africa, Fiji, Israel, Peru, Russia, Europe (including Italy, of course) and all over the North America. Frank loved the outdoors and could often be found working on projects outside or trading firearms at gun shows. He was an avid fisherman and hunter, and he loved American history. He had a lifelong passion for cars and racing and greatly enjoyed watching NASCAR. Frank also loved to fly. He had a plane and a pilot's license for many years and was part of the Civil Air Patrol in NY in the early '70s. Frank was a natural entrepreneur. He owned and operated several businesses in his lifetime, including Frank's Collision in Mount Morris, NY; Elmira Appraisal Service in Elmira NY; Shortino Brothers Construction Company in Horseheads, NY; and Coastal Construction Company in Summerville, SC. Frank didn't like to follow rules or directions from others, but some of his family and friends are very familiar with "Frank's Rules.", such as when parking always protect one side. Frank will be remembered for his dedication to his family, his adventurous spirit, and the many lives he touched through his work

and friendships. Frank was a faithful and heavily involved member of St. John the Beloved Church in Summerville. He left his mark all over the church by using his skills to assist in numerous remodeling projects and serving as an altar server.

He is survived by his loving son, David Shortino (Denise); his grandchildren: Stephanie Gage (Charles) and Scott Shortino; his great grandchildren: Jackson Gage and Juliet Gage; his siblings: Angela Shortino-Calandra; as well as numerous nieces and nephews: Debbie, Korinne and Bill. He was preceded in death by his brother, Philip Shortino and his parents.

A funeral mass will be held on Friday, January 23, 2026, at 1:00 pm at St John the Beloved Catholic Church, Summerville. Inurnment will follow on Saturday, January 24, 2026 at 12:00 pm at Mepkin Abbey Columbarium, Moncks Corner. In lieu of flowers, please go out for dinner in memory of Frank (he loved a nice prime rib) or donate to your favorite charity.

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

JAN 23. 1:00 PM (ET)

St. John the Beloved Catholic Church
28 Sumter Avenue
Summerville, SC 29483

Inurnment

JAN 24. 12:00 PM (ET)

Mepkin Abbey
1098 Mepkin Abbey Road
Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Tribute Wall



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Francis "Frank" Shortino.



January 17 at 05:40 PM



“ Rho Family. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Francis "Frank" Shortino.

Rho Family. - January 17 at 05:40 PM



“ Joan, I am so sorry for your loss. Frank was a great guy. My thoughts and prayers are with you.
Chuck and Mary Jane Paternoster

Mary Jane Paternoster - January 11 at 09:13 PM



“ Frank was one of the finest men I've had the pleasure of knowing. He was a skilled craftsman, and generous. The time he dedicated to serving at the altar was especially meaningful. He had a great personality, and genuinely cared about people. I will miss him. We pray for Joan and all those who grieve his passing.

Tom Epperson - January 11 at 01:05 PM

DH

A great and faithful friend. I could never repay him for all he did for me! He is at peace but will be greatly missed by many!

Dennis Hadberg - January 11 at 04:04 PM

SN

Frank was indeed a good man. He had a great smile and a huge heart. Gary and I are fortunate to have known him. Joan, our thoughts, prayers and hearts go out to you and your family for your great loss. May God's angels keep you all in the difficult days ahead as you grieve his passing and celebrate the life you shared with him.

Susan Nosotti - January 12 at 09:43 AM

NF

“ Nicholas F. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Francis "Frank" Shortino.

Nicholas F. - January 10 at 10:09 AM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Francis "Frank" Shortino.



January 09 at 02:05 PM

RF

“ Ruth Shrieve and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Francis "Frank" Shortino.

Ruth Shrieve and family - January 09 at 02:05 PM

CM

“ I will lays remember his smile. Which he didn't share often. I nicknamed him Sunshine, which always made him smile. His love of chocolate in any shape or form. Most importantly his love of his family ,and his deep faith. God Bless You Sunshine.



Carol & Paul Martel - January 09 at 05:48 AM

CE

“ Connie Epperson lit a candle in memory of Francis "Frank" Shortino



Connie Epperson - January 08 at 07:45 PM

SF

“ Steve, Carole & family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Francis "Frank" Shortino.



Steve, Carole & family - January 08 at 05:25 PM

SF

“ Steve, Carole & family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Francis "Frank" Shortino.

Steve, Carole & family - January 08 at 05:25 PM