



## Woodrow J. Dandrea

February 14, 2016

### Obituary of Woodrow Dandrea

Woodrow J. "Woody" Dandrea, 88 of Lady Lake, FL., passed away on Sunday, February 14, 2016. Online condolences may be left at [www.beyersfuneralhome.com](http://www.beyersfuneralhome.com)

Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home and Crematory, Lady Lake, FL.

# Tribute Wall

“ Aunt Sally and Karen: Please accept our sympathy on the passing of Uncle Woody. We will remember him in our prayers as we celebrate his homecoming to God and all our loved ones who have awaited his arrival. Amazing Grace that a Man with such a Big Heart should join the Lord on Valentine's Day! I couldn't help but remember the story Mom told about his name. At birth, Renie said that Grandma named him "Guido" which means "Life" in Latin and "Guide" in Italian. She went on to say that others pled with Mamma Lucy to change his name....that a name like "Guido" would brand this boy ...."a little too mucha Italiano"!! Maybe that's when "Wood"....the German meaning of the name Guido came into play and the rest is history....the world had Woodrow! (which means row of houses by the wood). The first "House of Woodrow" that I visited was on Schiavello Drive in Swarthmore. Unfortunately for this little hillbilly boy from Spangler, this house wasn't far enough in the woods because I got caught taking a pee in the street! Uncle Woody caught me in the act and took me in the house to show me where all little civilized children should do their business! Two decades later, Billy was welcomed in your home as you helped him find his way in Philadelphia. The "Wood" guided Bill to a nice little Jewish retirement community...Balwynne Park...which became the Previte/Dandrea encampment in Philly for the duration of our school years. A few years later, it was my turn to be welcomed in your home and Uncle Woody guided me to my first jobs both during school and after graduation. All the while, your home in Springfield became the larger family "Home away from Home" always filled with Life and Love. Visits to your "House on the Row" on holidays brought back that special childhood excitement we all felt awaiting his always "larger than life" presence to enter the room at our house in Spangler! Everyone fed on his appetite for life and waited in line to see him relish his food! We give thanks for the all the ways that Uncle Woody so freely extended himself and shared his Life with all who sought his Guidance. All three of us were the beneficiaries of his genuine interest and advice as we grew as were many of our cousins. At the Dandrea Reunion in 2006, we'll never forget how David D'Andrea broke into tears recalling the help that Uncle Woody

*provided as he began his working life. We all remember how infectious the laughter would be when Uncle Woody would get everybody started....you know that "Happy Horn" laugh of his!!! Heaven knows that there are a number of "Trumpeteers" now out of work!!! Our hearts are consoled in our belief that he now rests with Our Lord in the radiant light of the place He has prepared for him and all the faithful departed. God Bless and keep you always! Love. Shelly, Billy and Denny*

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**Michelle Marsico, Bill Previte and Denny Previte** - February 22, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Woodrow J. Dandrea*

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October 09, 2014 at 12:00 AM