

Frank T. Angotti, Jr July 20, 1948 – February 4, 2016

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Well known independent businessman and noted public official Frank "Chunki" Angotti passed on Thursday, February 4, 2016 while a patient at Ruby Memorial Hospital after a sudden illness.

Frank was a heartfelt and compassionate person. He was a dedicated Father, a wonderful companion and family man and an active member of our Harrison County community. He especially loved children and would do anything he could to help them even if strangers. He was a very hard worker and there was no challenge too large or too small that he could not tackle and successfully complete. He was a true public servant and always put the interests of the people ahead of his own. He was dearly loved by his family and friends and will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Born Frank T. Angotti Jr. on July 20th, 1948, to the late Frank and Rose Romano Angotti of Clarksburg, WV, Frank had roots in both Hinton, West Virginia in his early years where his father was a pharmacist, and later in Clarksburg where he graduated from Notre Dame High School with the Class of 1966. He was the second of four boys all of whom were athletic and industrious.

He was formerly married to Mary Virginia Maunz Angotti with whom he had two children Dr. Lori Angotti and her partner Sam Lopez, and Dr. Frank T. Angotti III. Both Lori and Frank reside and practice their professions in the Harrison County area. He is also survived by his longtime companion and love, Gina Jones of Clarksburg. His three brothers and their spouses also survive: Mark and Pam Angotti of Cary NC, Dr. Michael Angotti and partner Debra Shaw, Virginia Beach, VA and Drs. Marshall and Grace Angotti of York, PA. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews, his "adopted" grandchildren Sal and Sergio Lopez, a slew of loving cousins, friends and customers of Chunki's Pizza & Subs restaurant.

After graduating high school Chunki attended Fairmont State College and also enlisted in the United States Army Reserves serving his Country for 6 years during the Vietnam Conflict from 1970 until 1976. He was a born entrepreneur and always operated small businesses mostly restaurants. He had owned and operated Chunki's Restaurant for the past 38 years which was a well known icon throughout Harrison County. Chunki was especially proud of developing the Hot Italian Sub, and especially his Heart Shaped Pizzas served only on Valentine's Day. He often claimed to be the "oldest hot delivery" in Clarksburg. Practically every morning he entertained his friends and colleagues with coffee at Chunki's restaurant until it was time for him and Rhonda Talerico, his right hand at Chunki's, to start preparing for lunch service that day.

Chunki was a firm believer in higher education which is manifested in his children, Lori and Frank who are doctors of optometry and psychiatry respectively. One of his famous sayings was "stay in school as long as you can, because once you finish you have to work forever." He was very happy when both of his children decided to return to Harrison County to practice their professions and Chunki took great pride knowing that they were helping Harrison County residents with their healthcare needs. He was always pleased when one of his friends or customers would tell him that they were a patient of one of his children, as his children could not disclose such information. He always rewarded young children with good report cards with a monetary gift and many would specifically have their parents bring them to the restaurant to show Chunki and get their money.

Serving the public one of Chunki's greatest passions. Chunki was first elected to the Clarksburg Water Board in 1993 serving until 1998, and he was twice elected to the West Virginia House of Delegates serving with that legislative body from 1998 to 2002. He was both elected and appointed to the Harrison County Commission for a total of 10 years service. He was also a Member of the Clarksburg Urban Renewal Authority and the Harrison County Park Commission.

Chunki loved his colleagues with whom he served and for many years he would travel to the Capitol in Charleston to serve lunch to all of the Members of the Senate and House. Once while cooking on the Capitol roof breezeway the wind shifted and filled the Capitol with smoke resulting in an evacuation! Chunki was fondly teased about it for years. Chunki never refused to help a constituent regardless of whether they had supported his candidacy. No matter what hour of the day or night anyone who would call him and need help with a problem, Chunki would stop what he was doing and spend his time making sure that the person was getting help from the proper government agency. He loved serving the public and did so free of special interest's influence or thoughts of personal gain. He served with great integrity and dedication to duty.

Chunki was a Roman Catholic by faith and a member of both Immaculate Conception and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Churches. At Chunki's request, he was cremated.

A gathering of family and friends will be held at Amos Carvelli Funeral Home, 201 Edison Street, Nutter Fort, WV on Sunday, February 7, 2016 from 12-8 pm. A Vigil Service will be held at the conclusion of visitation. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, February 8, 2016 at Immaculate Conception Church, located at 126 E. Pike St., Clarksburg, West Virginia with Father Casey Mahone as Celebrant.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Chunki's memory to Medbrook Children's Charity, PO Box 1021 Bridgeport, WV 26330 or to Bi-County Nutrition Program, 416 ½ Ohio Avenue, Nutter Fort, WV 26301.