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Louis Castro, 95, of Tampa, FL passed away peacefully the morning of January 23, 2021.

The gentle giant as he was affectionately called lived a full life and was loved by many.

Louis was predeceased by his wife, Stella and his daughter, Julie. He is survived by his son-in-law, Keith, his grandsons, Bryan and Cory, granddaughter-in-law Nicole, his grandkids, Briana, Kayla, Lila and Maddie and numerous nieces and nephews.



Tribute Wall

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KP

Kenneth Pages shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

He really was a great guy. He filled in some gaps for me when I was a kid and my parents were getting divorced and I'll always cherish him for that. Even at 90 he had a competitive spirit. We took him to Vegas and he challenged me to a Martini drinking contest. He ended up (much to Julie and Keith's chagrin) drunk as a skunk on the floor of his hotel room as though it were the happiest day of his life. Dr. Kenneth Pages



February 23 at 6:12 PM

PP

Pete Pages shared an album called **Photo Album**.



February 23 at 6:06 PM

PP

Peter R Pages posted:

I grew up very close to Uncle Louis and Aunt Cheko – I lived just a few blocks from them from when I was five until I was about 14. In addition to my mother and Cheko being sisters, the couples were best friends, and Louis and my father were part of a cohort of men that played dominoes and cards, golfed, and bowled together. I called all my other aunts and uncles by their first names, but Louis was always "Tio", and Cheko was always "Tia". Cheko and Louis even shared a dog with us: Jip, our collie, regularly traipsed back and forth between our houses eating and socializing at both places, as if on a schedule. When Julie came along, that bound us all even closer together. Cheko and Julie were the great blessings of Louis's life. He loved them both dearly, and had to endure the slow and painful decline of each. He kept Cheko at home, caring for her lovingly and faithfully until the very end. He could do nothing for Julie, and he grieved mightily for her. Louis was very social, and he had lots of stories. Some were embellished, some were outright fabrications told as jokes. He loved to talk and laugh, and his joy was contagious. He was a man of great energy and enthusiasm, a sharp mind, and variety of interests, including jazz, classic movies, sports (especially the Yankees), puzzles, and Cuban food. He came to all the family gatherings, frequently came to my mom's house to play Rummy, and – until he could no longer drive – frequented his favorite bowling alley. Before the pandemic lockdown, Uncle Louis kept a weekly schedule that included three trips to the McFarland Park Senior Center to work out at the gym there, as well as trips to Publix (thanks to cousin David) and/or Cacciatore's. He also loved going to Arco Iris for breakfast whenever he could get a ride. He is greatly missed by all of us who knew and loved him.

February 21 at 6:10 PM



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KE

Keith posted:

Louis was an inspiration. Such a positive and optimistic man. He was not only my father-in-law but my friend as well. I will miss him dearly. May you rest in peace with the Lord and all of your family and friends that preceded you. Love you buddy! Keith

February 20 at 10:17 AM

KE

Keith posted:

Dear family and friends. It was a pleasure having Louis as my Father-in-law and all around good guy. He loved each and everyone of you with a smile and positive outlook. He was the most positive and optimistic man I have ever met. I will miss him dearly. May you rest in peace with all of your family and friends who went home with the Lord before you. Love you buddy, Keith

February 20 at 9:33 AM

SS

Sallie S Salinero February 22 at 6:54 PM

I loved my Uncle Louis. I loved listening to his stories about my dad and his siblings, his favorite movies, politics, his jobs, and the 2 loves of his life-my aunt Chickel and my cousin Julie. He was funny and smart and loved food as much as I do! It was never dull visiting with him-lots of great conversation, love and laughs and when my dad died I gave him my dad's nickname-"old fart" which he loved. I really miss him but know he's in heaven with his two loves and the rest of the family, telling his stories and making everyone laugh! Love and miss you old fart!



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Louis and Kenny at Las Vega, around 2016



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Louis & Kenny at Las Vegas



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Louis by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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