



## Richard F. Theobald

October 5, 1951 - March 25, 2008

Richard Farrar Theobald, 56 passed away on March 25, 2008.

During his three month battle with cancer, his caretaker was his nephew, JV Spangle.

He is survived by his wife of 30 years Teresa (Sherwin), his two children, Christopher and Sara, his mother Belle, six sisters, Adeline Theobald, Priscilla Spangle, Lucinda Fornaro, Elizabeth Theobald, Jake McCarthy and Gina Plage, two brothers, Calvin and Perry and 19 nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his father Calvin Coolidge Theobald and his brother Michael. Richard grew up in Kearny, NJ, raised his family in Little Silver, NJ and has been residing in Manhattan. He received his Bachelor of Arts from Bloomfield College. He was the proud owner of Mid Atlantic Vegetable Shortening Company along with his two brothers. Richard was the Vice President of his company in charge of sales for 28 years. He worked at the Theobald Industries and Harrison-By-Products where he held a gold seal in Steam Generation and Refrigeration. He was an active member of the American Fats and Oils Association and the Philadelphia Bakers Club. He was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution and the Mayflower of New Jersey. He loved Broadway and starred in "Lady Mindys". Richard had a love for music. He played the guitar and organized "The 2001 Man Band" with his brothers as early as 1967. He took great pride in doing the Sunday New York Times crossword puzzle. He traveled extensively and was truly a brilliant man. He will be missed by many friends from the Perry Street Workshop; Karl, Lillian, Earl, David, Jamie and especially Lisanne McDonald. They have loved and supported him through troubled as well as good times.

Richard will be remembered for his work ethic, his generosity, his clear blue eyes and his charming smile. We lost a brother who was a big part of our life but we know his soul is with others whom we hold dear to our hearts.

# Events

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**MAR** **Visitation** 02:00PM - 09:00PM

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Bongarzone Funeral Home

2400 Shafto Road, Tinton Falls, NJ, US

# Comments

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“ When i came to this country my first job was @ Mid Atlantic. But what really impacts me as a person was the comitment of you and your brother towards the customers and us as employees thanks see you on the way

**Jose rodriguez** - July 10, 2012 at 03:15 PM

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“ well its been that long already.richard was a very good boss when i was working there he joked all the time and mad my day go faster ill miss him.

**jose oquendo** - March 02, 2011 at 09:32 AM

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“ I was deeply saddened to read of Billy's passing. He was a fine young man even as my fifth grade student at Village School. My heart goes out to you, Coney and Mary, his siblings, and especially to his wife and young family. I can still visualize him sitting in the first row, fourth seat in my classroom--Rm. 21. may all yourfond memories hold him dear to your hearts. Sincerely, Marie Defino

**Marie Defino** - May 26, 2010 at 09:04 AM

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“ I will miss him, I hate it that we stopped talking yearly. I had to go and move to Arkansas, oh well. This comes as a shock to me, hearing about it a full year later. Last I heard he was vacationing in Aruba and seemed fine. I will never forget you, and I know you know it.

**Debbie Anderson Loven** - April 06, 2010 at 05:09 PM

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“ Uncle Richard, Thank you for all the shows in NY, knowledge you shared with me, laughs we enjoyed and conversations we had. I am so grateful I was able to stay with you for three weeks in Little Silver. I will always remember the good times we had in that short while. I am sad now, but so happy I got to know you. Love, JV

**JV** - April 02, 2008 at 11:53 PM

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“ My heart goes out to Richard's entire family. There are no words of consolation when you loose a brother, father, son and lover. There's an emptiness in my heart that can't be filled. My family loved Richard and all the times that he shared with us over the last six and a half years. Sara - let's keep in touch. Lisanne, we are all here for you every day. xxoo

**Jane Estes** - April 02, 2008 at 08:57 PM

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“ Sorry Grandma, Lizann, Tess, Sara, Christopher, and all my family. I know we all miss him but now he is in a better place with out pain and worry. With grandpa and Michael. So don't feel sorry....don't cry the Uncle Richard i knew wouldn't have wanted that. To me he was a happy go lucky person.  
I will always miss you Uncle Richard say hi to grandpa and Uncle Michael for me.  
Love always,  
Belle

**Belle-Natalie Wingert** - April 01, 2008 at 02:44 PM

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“ We've know each other for a lot of years and I can't remember a time that we spoke that you didn't make me laugh. I'll miss our chats...and you.

**Karen** - April 01, 2008 at 10:30 AM

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**Perry Theobald** - March 31, 2008 at 08:59 PM

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“ What a lucky day it was for me that first time we spoke. so many years ago...rocky and raucus and the beginng of a great friendship. I will miss you dearly Richard.  
Always in my heart.

**Francine Reisman** - March 31, 2008 at 07:23 PM

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“ To Calvin and the Theobald family, Our deepest sympathy on your loss. Our thoughts are with you all. Joe Badloni and staff at Appraisal Associates, Inc.

Joseph E. Baldoni - March 31, 2008 at 03:09 PM

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“ I KNEW YOU WERE A ONE OF A KIND DUDE .WHEN YOU CAME TO AARHUS AND IT WAS MY FIRST TIME BEING INTRODUCED TO YOU WE BOTH THOUGHT WE WERE BOTH VERY STRANGE PEOPLE. (YOURPONYTALE). "YOU SAID HEY FRANNIE I DONT KNOW WE GOT A LIVE ONE". 'HUH WE LAUGHED. FROM THAT DAY ON WE WERE COOL. RICH YOU WILL BE MISSED. FROM YOUR GHETTO SISTER MICHELLE HARRIS.

MICHELLE HARRIS - March 31, 2008 at 09:49 AM

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“ to the entire Theobald family,

I cried from every single comment written in the guestbook about Richard because I know every single word is true.  
Your family is the best, most loving family I have ever known and grown up with.  
God Bless, love Pam

pam taguinot - March 30, 2008 at 09:51 PM

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“ Dear Uncle Richard  
I will never forget the time when we where in Buffalo and you got me my bulls sweat shirt and when you where in the hospital you could never quite get the word boots, you would always say books instead, I felt so bad. But you are better now with Grampa and Uncle Michael. I will always remember the red fish in the blanket. Today mommy and I saw you fly by with grampa at the ranch, Grampa had a yellow beak. I love you and you will always be in my heart love Lucinda-Callie

Lucinda Wingert - March 30, 2008 at 09:33 PM

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“ Richard my beloved son for the last 88 days of your life I held you in my arms. My heart is broken. Ma

**Belle Theobald** - March 30, 2008 at 09:22 PM

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“ March 29th '08

You would have been so proud of our children today, as was I. They worked long and hard to represent you through all the things you loved - they even placed your obituary in the New York Times! And there was Dan...quiet and strong just standing by, ready to support them in any way he could. We went through some tough times you and I, but through it all we loved each other and still do.  
Goodnight Richard, God Bless.  
See you later. Tess

**Tess** - March 30, 2008 at 12:17 PM

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“ Having been your neighbor growing up on Cottage Place, Adeline, I was so sorry to hear of your brothers passing. Please know my prayers go out to you and your entire family!

**Alice Zoppi Grieco** - March 30, 2008 at 11:07 AM

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“ Thanks for your friendship over the years. I am grateful for the guidance and support you provided that helped me get past a tough part of my life.

**Ken** - March 29, 2008 at 06:06 PM

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“ May the peace which comes from the memories of love shared comfort you now and in the days ahead.  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

**BJ and Gail Watson** - March 29, 2008 at 01:08 PM

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“ Tess, Tic and Chris, Ben and I were sorry to hear about your dad. He will be missed. I'm glad I had the opportunity to meet him. He was a wonderful kind man, We are here for you if you need to talk, Love, Ben and Jeannine

**Ben and Jeannine** - March 29, 2008 at 10:51 AM

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“ We are shocked and saddened by the passing of our dear friend, Richard. Our deepest condolences to the Theobald family, and to his devoted and loving companion, Lianne McDonald. May he rest in peace for eternity. With love, Rachel, Gary, and Isabelle Hobbib.

**Rachel, Gary and Isabelle Hobbib** - March 29, 2008 at 10:51 AM

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“ My heart will skip a beat each day we are apart. Thank you for always being you and walking beside me. I know you are with Daddy and Michael give them a kiss for me. see you in Maine

**Elizabeth aka #8** - March 28, 2008 at 10:08 PM

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“ I miss you so much but I know we will see each other again. Thank you for all the good times.  
Love Always,  
Adabalds

**Adeline** - March 28, 2008 at 09:35 PM

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“ Richard-

I'll never forget you, or what you strived to accomplish.

Thank you for the years that we had together. I am a better, wiser man for it.

Love,  
JH

**Jim H.** - March 28, 2008 at 08:03 PM



“ "God's road is all up hill, but do not tire, rejoice that we may still keep climbing higher." God speed Richard. Our condolences to your family and friends.

**The Bernard Family** - March 28, 2008 at 08:02 PM

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“ Our deepest condolences to the Theobald Family. Richard was loved by so many and will be missed dearly.

**Maggie and Mitch Carpen** - March 28, 2008 at 06:46 PM

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“ "Sadness is but a wall between two gardens" Sara, Chris and family my deepest sympathy. Richard, we didn't have alot of time together but I enjoyed every second. You are a true insperation to me and I will do my best to make you proud. Goodbye for now.

**Dan** - March 28, 2008 at 05:27 PM

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“ Richard  
I would not have succeeded in business without you. You will be in my heart forever.  
Love Perry

**Perry** - March 28, 2008 at 04:48 PM

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“ Thank-you for sharing (your life, laughter, love, family, home and heart).

**Mark Bellard** - March 28, 2008 at 04:20 PM

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“ No words of sympathy can ease the sorrow that is yours. But thoughts and loving memories last as long as time endures. So may your treasured memories grow more precious year by year and help to bring comfort in the loss of the ones so dear. With deepest sympathy and Love Always, Carmen Rodrigues and Family

**Carmen Rodrigues** - March 28, 2008 at 04:05 PM

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“ You will always be the love of my life. Thanks for an amazing 6.5 years together. I miss you terribly.  
xoxo L

**Lisanne** - March 28, 2008 at 02:44 PM

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“ So long pal. When you get there, let Harvey and Rudy help you do steps 6 & 7. And remember, you are your own wife.

Love Karl

**Karl Laub** - March 28, 2008 at 02:31 PM

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“ Richard,  
I will miss you so much---it is unimaginable for me. I am so thankful that I had you---yes you as one of my brothers who cherished me,,,,,,as I cherished you. Thank you for the many concerts you got me tickets to,,,the great Broadway shows, the delicious dinners you bought us and for coming back to Buffalo and spending my 7th anniversary with me since my cancer. Little Belle and I will always remember your last supper of "corn flakes" which we ate together. May God hold you in his arms until I get there.

Love your sister--Jakeamo xxooxxooo

**Jakeamo--your loving sister** - March 28, 2008 at 02:28 PM

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“ My deepest condolences for your loss. My love and prayers to all of Richard's family and friends.

**Irene Hahm** - March 28, 2008 at 02:28 PM

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“ I love you, and the one regret I have is I didn't spend more time with you. however I am thankful for the last 3 months we spent together. Jacob and I will treasure every moment.

**gina plage** - March 28, 2008 at 02:10 PM

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“ To the Theobald family,

My deepest sympathy on the loss of your husband, son and brother.

My prayers are with you.

Paula Struchko  
Secretary to William Deisinger, Esq.

**Paula Struchko (Secretary to Bill Deisinger)** - March 28, 2008 at 02:06 PM

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“ My sincere sympathies and prayers to the Theobald family. I knew Priscilla, Lucinda, Liz, Jake and Gina years ago (1974-76) from Eatontown Roller Rink. I hope that the love I remember your family to have will sustain you through this trying time.

**Betty Amatelli** - March 28, 2008 at 01:13 PM

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“ My thoughts and prayers are with you everyday.

**Natalia Rocha** - March 28, 2008 at 12:06 PM

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“ To Belle and her family,

Your DAR sisters are thinking about you all at this difficult time.

Sincerely,

Christine MacClellan,  
Chaplain, Nova Caesarea Chapter, NSDAR

**Christine MacClellan** - March 28, 2008 at 12:04 PM

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“ Sara and Family,

My deepest condolences to you and your family. My prayers are always with you.  
Love You Sara, stay strong.

He's in a better place now and not suffering. Always remember the good times with him.

**Patricia Rocha** - March 28, 2008 at 11:59 AM

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“ My sponsor and my friend... got me through my first very difficult year.

**Earl** - March 28, 2008 at 11:36 AM

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“ Deepest Sympathy The Ferrante Family

**Richard Ferrante** - March 28, 2008 at 11:18 AM

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“ Our Deepest Sympathy

The Marshall Family

**Ricky Marshall** - March 28, 2008 at 11:01 AM

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“ We are all so sorry that this happened and everyone at the Jersey Shore Center wishes to send their love and support to the family. God Bless

**Jennifer Bennett** - March 28, 2008 at 10:12 AM

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“ respected by many, understood, in so many different ways, by few.

**chris** - March 28, 2008 at 01:56 AM

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“ You are my heart...I could not love you more.

Tic

**Sara** - March 28, 2008 at 01:20 AM