



## Francis R. Messner, Sr.

May 20, 1953 - March 12, 2019

Francis R. Messner, Sr. "Big Fran" of Deptford NJ, passed away peacefully on March 12, 2019 at Age 65. He was born on May 20, 1953 in Woodbury, New Jersey to the late Charles Messner and Anna Ralston.

Francis was a loving husband to his wife; Sharon Messner (nee Laute), father to his beloved children; the late Brenda Messner, Francis R. Messner, Jr. (Erica), Dawn Jamison (Robert), Jason Messner and Stefanie Gigante (John), and step children; Melissa Messner (Hyman), Thomas Messner, Jr., and Jesse Messner, and furry companion; Si. Francis was a loyal brother to Charles J. Messner, Jr. (Cora), Robert Messner, Sr. (Marge), George Messner (Sharon), the late James Messner, Sr. (Lorraine), the late Raymond Messner and the late Theresa Messner.

Francis was also faithful grandfather to his 12 grandchildren: Jessica Harrell, A'niya Dorsey, Francis Messner, III, Cameron Messner, Carmalina Gigante, Michael Harrell, Rai'Lee Burchell, Brandon Harrell, A'Leeyah Hyman, John Gigante, III, Hailey Jamison, and Tehya Messner.

Big Fran was a farmer most of his life and the devoted owner of FRM Trucking in Deptford. He enjoyed going to his "Happy Place" at the Bay Shore Campground, fishing, crabbing, hunting, riding his Harley, traveling, going to the auction, his tractor and trailers, the pig farm and spending time with his

large family.

Big Fran was a simple man who enjoyed having a good time surrounded by good people, and he will be dearly missed by all of those in his life.

Relatives and friends are invited to a viewing on Saturday, March 16, 2019 from 9am to 12pm in The Chapel at BOUCHER FUNERAL HOME, 1757 Delsea Dr., Deptford, NJ 08096.

Funeral Service 12pm in The Chapel at the funeral home.

Interment Hillcrest Memorial Park, Hurffville.

For directions, to sign online guest book and to view Big Fran's Video Tribute visit [www.boucherfuneralhome.com](http://www.boucherfuneralhome.com).

PLEASE CHECK BACK LATER FOR VIDEO TRIBUTE

# Previous Events

## Viewing

MAR 16. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

The Chapel at Boucher Funeral Home, LLC  
1757 Delsea Drive  
Deptford, NJ 08096  
(856) 464-1097  
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## Funeral Service

MAR 16. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & Gloucester County Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Francis R. Messner, Sr.*



**Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & County Cremation Service** - March 14, 2019 at 10:40 AM

BR

*I am so sorry to hear the Franny had died I had just found out I wish I had known before I just watched the The tribute to Franny it's bad with cancer I know because I have it myself, to see the changes in his physical appearance is terrible I know myself when you look in the mirror you wonder who it is, it sure is hell is not you, so again to his wife Sharon I am sorry for your loss when you have a big family did not know he had so many children and grandchildren that loved him so much he window we have not seen each other for many years I am very sad To hear of his passing , Bob Rappo*

**Bob Rappo** - March 18, 2019 at 07:29 PM



“ *Francis R. Messner, Sr.*

November 27, 2022 at 03:45 PM

RA

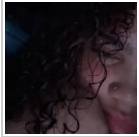
“ *3 years. we all miss you, everything changed now. your presence is missed so much you dont even know. a lot of things i would have done differently, we love you uncle fran*❤️

**railee** - March 12, 2022 at 06:19 PM

RA

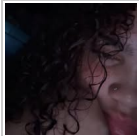
“ Uncle fran i know youre watching me wrote this n i wanted to say i love you n happy birthday❤️. i know its been two years but i still miss you. i hope you and zelda are taking care of each other up there. you are heavenly missed❤️-railee

railee - May 20, 2021 at 11:32 PM



“ its been 2 years uncle fran, i hope heaven's treating you right. i know its you always locking the doors when someone goes in and out. we still miss you. you were the best, forever ❤️ - railee

Railee Mariee - March 12, 2021 at 10:37 AM



“ Happy Birthday Uncle Fran 😊. You were the best and always will be❤️-railee

Railee Mariee - May 21, 2020 at 11:53 AM

CA

“ Sorry for your loss

Grace,casey,valerio



Caset - March 18, 2019 at 06:21 PM

JA

“ Rest in peace my friend. Always thought of you as a brother i will miss you! Ayresy

JAMES H AYRES - March 15, 2019 at 10:30 PM

TR

“ Tracey lit a candle in memory of Francis R. Messner, Sr.



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Tracey - March 15, 2019 at 09:57 PM

AV

“ Art And Amber Virtue lit a candle in memory of Francis R. Messner, Sr.



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Art and Amber Virtue - March 15, 2019 at 08:07 PM

FS

“ Our sympathies to the messner family will always remember the good times we had as kids we wer,e the earth movers on bicycles to motor cycles and that will always be in our memory always had good times we were the ass kicking new Sharon boys Rest In Peace Fran tike and floss

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floss sypsomos - March 15, 2019 at 06:42 PM

LF

“ Love, The Zirbser Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Francis R. Messner, Sr..



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Love, The Zirbser Family - March 15, 2019 at 09:11 AM

DA

“ So sorry for your loss Franny was a neighbor and lifelong friend he will be missed

*Danny Bittner*

daniel - March 14, 2019 at 05:29 PM

TM

“ Francy as we called you always quiet and humble and a true child of all us pig Farmers.

*I seldom seen you but you grew up with all the New Sharon boys and I have always been friends with the Messner family. I don't know why God called yo so soon, but rest in peace and your memory be eternal ! From Ted Butch Miller and family.*

*It was always a pleasure to see everyone in New Sharon growing up.*

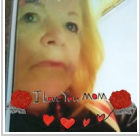
Ted butch miller - March 14, 2019 at 11:05 AM



“ 49 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & County Cremation Service - March 14, 2019 at 09:37 AM



“ *Big Fran the nicest kind hearted man I have ever met. Rest in Peace my friend forever with love Annie*

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**Anna Buchanan** - March 14, 2019 at 09:31 AM



“ *The man would greet me with a smile and express genuine interest in the things I had going on without fail. He was blessed with an infectious laugh that could breathe life into a room. Thank you for being a kind influence and shining light, Fran. I will love you, always.*

V.

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**Victoria Williams** - March 13, 2019 at 10:55 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Francis R. Messner, Sr..*



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March 13, 2019 at 09:43 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Francis R. Messner, Sr..*



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March 13, 2019 at 08:57 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Francis R. Messner, Sr..*



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March 13, 2019 at 12:32 PM



“ *So sorry you left us too soon. Randy and I will miss you so much. Never forget all the great parties you had for your kids growing up. Your a great man. We love you and will miss you. Until we meet again!!*

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**Dottie Abd Randy Gonzales** - March 13, 2019 at 11:29 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Francis R. Messner, Sr..*



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March 13, 2019 at 11:20 AM