



## Sebastian F. Dovi Jr.

November 25, 1940 - March 14, 2022

At the age of 81 years, Dr. Sebastian “Frank” Dovi, Jr. passed away peacefully on Monday, March 14, 2022. Born in Camden, NJ, Sebastian grew up in Haddonfield where he met the love of his life Patricia Ann Bresan in the 8th grade and was married for 58 golden years. Sebastian was the beloved father of Patricia Dovi Kent (Harlan Kent), Suzanne Lynn Dovi, Ph.D (Houston Smit), Cynthia Dovi Bucalo (Anthony Bucalo), and the late Sebastian F. Dovi, III (Kelli Young).

Sebastian loved working on projects with his father, Sebastian Dovi, and they built an amazing two-story playhouse together in his backyard. His mom, Rose Dovi, raised her beloved son on pasta and lots of love. Sebastian was in the first graduating class of Bishop Eustace, lettering in basketball, track, and football. He graduated from Georgetown University as part of an ENSIGN 1915 program in 1962 and from Georgetown Medical School in 1966. After graduation, he worked in Bethesda Medical Hospital where he specialized in internal medicine. Sebastian proudly served his country in the US Navy during the Vietnam War as the Chief of Medicine at Roosevelt Roads Naval Base, Puerto Rico. There, he built his own sailboat, raced, and sailed through the Caribbean with his four kids in tow.

Upon returning to the states, Dr. Dovi was stationed in the Philadelphia Naval Hospital and had a private practice in Mount Holly for over 20 years. He loved

helping his patients and did so with kindness and humor.

After being asked to be a Medical Director for Aetna, Sebastian shifted his focus to quality care. He loved using his knowledge of medicine to improve patient care.

Sebastian was a resident of Moorestown since 1972. He attended every sports event that his kids played in. He was a man of many hobbies: an outstanding gardener, a koi pond builder, a photographer, a woodworker, and an avid birdwatcher, especially purple martins. He loved reading action novels and the newspaper. He insisted that desserts should be eaten first and that cars should be driven without seatbelts. He laughed at Pat's puns and was truly generous to those in need. He was a globally ranked leader of Candy Crush and religiously played the lottery. An outstanding jitterbugger, when not dancing, Sebastian would eat the food off your plate if you didn't watch him. His laughter and advice will be sorely missed

Sebastian was "Pop-Pop" to Dr. Johnathan Kent, Katherine (Robert Butko) Kent, Samuel Kent, Hayden Dovi-Smit, Sophie Dovi-Smit, Shelbey Dovi, Sebastian Dovi IV, Skyler Dovi, Sydney Dovi, Sebastian Bucalo, Nicholas Bucalo, and Alessandra Bucalo. He also had 3 great-grandchildren, Ares, Echo, and Ino. He is also survived by his younger brother; Robert (Donna) Dovi.

A gathering of family and friends will be held Tuesday, March 22nd from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at Givnish of Cinnaminson 1200 Route 130 North.

His Funeral Mass will follow 10:30 a.m. at St. Charles Borromeo Church Branch Pike and Pomona Road, Cinnaminson.

Burial will take place at Lakeview Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Doctors Without Borders at [Donate.doctorswithoutborders.org](https://donate.doctorswithoutborders.org)

To share your fondest memories of Sebastian, please visit [www.givnish.com](http://www.givnish.com)

# Previous Events

## Gathering of Family and Friends

MAR 22. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Givnish Funeral Home Cinnaminson  
1200 Route 130 N  
Cinnaminson, NJ 08077  
(856) 829-8000  
info@givnish.com  
<https://www.givnish.com>

## Funeral Mass

MAR 22. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Charles Borromeo Church  
Branch Pike  
Cinnaminson, NJ 08077  
(856) 829-3322

## Burial

MAR 22. 11:45 AM (ET)

Lakeview Memorial Park  
1300 Route 130 North  
Cinnaminson, NJ 08077

## Military Honors

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MAR **22**. 11:45 AM (ET)

Lakeview Memorial Park  
1300 Route 130 North  
Cinnaminson, NJ 08077

# Tribute Wall



“ Sebastian F. Dovi Jr.

September 09, 2022 at 01:27 AM



“ I had the pleasure of meeting Frank when I started my job at Aetna Health Plans as a new Medical Director. Frank became a mentor to me. He had a great laugh and sense of humor. I learned a lot from him. He had great stories about his time at Bethesda related to LBJ and his family that I cannot go into here but were very funny and that I had never heard from anyone but Frank and I remember Frank telling me like it was yesterday.

*This was my first job in the "business world" outside of Medicine and Frank shared his wisdom with me that continues to help me today.*

*I had never served in the military at the time I met Frank except for ROTC but then later joined the Air Force/Air National Guard and served for 27 years as a Flight Surgeon and just recently retired. Again, Frank's advice helped me in the military. I am still practicing as a Hematologist/Oncologist in California and today just started thinking about Frank and looked to find information about him online only to find to my great sadness that he had passed away earlier this year.*

*My deepest sympathy to all of Frank's family. You should all be proud of all of his accomplishments in his lifetime. He was a very special man.*

*Dr. Joe Pascuzzo*

Colonel Joe Pascuzzo - June 18, 2022 at 05:29 AM

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“ Frank will be greatly missed. We always looked forward to seeing him in Florida every August and on the golf course when we both could still play. Our sympathy to the whole family.

*Jim & Cindy Monroe*

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**Jame G. Monroe** - March 21, 2022 at 02:09 PM

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“ I meet Dr Dovi in Captiva island around 34 years ago in 1988. He was always laughing, terrible at golf and always managed to give me advise. Trust me that I was a kid that needed it. Over the years I was fortunate to see him and his family each summer and he always made me feel welcome. His wife Pat is amazing as well as his four children. He will be missed this year but not forgotten. I know he always told me not to drink as much beer but you can bet I will be sending him a toast with the family in August.

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**Geoff Kress** - March 21, 2022 at 01:48 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Sebastian F. Dovi Jr..



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March 21, 2022 at 08:55 AM

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“ *Devrim Turker purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Sebastian F. Dovi Jr..*



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**Devrim Turker** - March 17, 2022 at 02:13 PM