



## Emmanuel Bonavia

November 29, 1928 - October 29, 2008

Bonavia, Emmanuel "Lee"

Age 79 October 29, 2008

Loving Father of Mary Bonavia, Andrea Bonavia, Paula Bonavia, and Anthony Jackie.

Proud Grandfather of 5 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

Dear Brother of Carmen, and Joe

Visitation at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home 8459 Hall Rd. 3 Blks E. of Van Dyke Utica Saturday 6-9pm and Sunday 1-9pm with rosary 7pm

Funeral Service Monday 9:30am at the Funeral Home.

Interment Mt. Avon Cemetery Rochester, MI

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# Tribute Wall

DB

“ We were very sad to hear of the passing of Uncle Leli, he was a wonderful man who will be greatly missed. We had the good fortune to meet him for the first time on a trip to Australia and we will always have the wonderful memory of him meeting up with Dad his brother, John after more than 40 years apart. He made a couple of trips to Australia, during which time we realised how like his brother he is. We always thought it a great shame that we live on opposite sides of the globe because although separated by miles and initially many years, there was still a great family connection and once we re-established contact we got on beautifully. Uncle Leli will be remembered as a man who loved his family, particularly his children and later his grand children. When we visited the USA he made us feel very welcome and at home, and helped us establish strong links to family which has only grown stronger ever since. We are unable to be there with you all at this difficult time, but we are most certainly there with you in spirit. Our deepest sympathy to everyone. With Love from Daniel Melissa Carli Nicholas and Ellie Bonavia

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**Daniel & Melissa Bonavia** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ I was very happy to have seen Uncle Leli last year and was even more happy to see how good he looked in the photos with baby Michael. I'm very sorry to hear of his passing. My sympathies to the whole family.

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**Erin Smith** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ I was lucky enough to see Uncle Leli last year while staying with Paula for a few days. He looked happy and healthy when I saw him. And he was absolutely glowing in recent pictures in which he was holding his great-grandson Michael. He'll be missed. My condolences to the whole family.

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**Suzanne Smith** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ So sorry to hear of uncle Leli's passing. I was very happy to finally meet him when he came to Australia some years ago. I thoroughly enjoyed his time with us. My condolences go out to his whole family. May he rest in peace.

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**John Bonavia** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ I'm glad I got to see Uncle Leli when he visited us in Australia some time ago but I wish his sister Anna who was my mum was still alive at the time because she had not seen him she left Malta in 1951 but at least now they will be reunited in Heaven.

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**Mario Portelli** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

WA

“ I met Lee in Windsor Canada in 1953.He always had a smile on his face, and I cannot forget how good Dancer he was and how much he loved dancing .He was always in good mood and loved to talk and laughing specially, when we used to meet in Bamboo Resturant Down Town Windsor after he used to come from some Dance Hall on Saturday evening.I admired him a lot , when he used to refuse any drinks from any body ,because he was none Drinker .I never seen Lee drinking one bottle of beer in my whole Life .I shall Miss his smiles and that happy face, that he always had . May the Lord find a resting and peaceful place for him in Heaven .Walter Sultana

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**Walter** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ I never knew Uncle Lee's name was Emmanuel! I am so happy that I got to see him on July 4th. He was always in a good mood, and had good stories to share. He will be missed!

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**Megan Seferian** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM