



Gregory Trupiano

February 18, 2020

Gregory Trupiano, 64, Director of Artistic Administration at Sarasota Opera and resident of Brooklyn, New York, died on February 18, 2020.

Services will be held at Toale Brothers Funeral Home, 40 North Orange Avenue, Sarasota on Thursday, February 20 at 4:30pm.

Contributions in Greg's memory may be made to Fort Greene Park Conservancy, 85 S. Oxford St., Brooklyn, NY 11217. <http://www.fortgreenepark.org/support>.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB **20**. 4:30 PM (ET)

Toale Brothers Funeral Home & Crematory - Colonial Chapel

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<https://www.toalebrothers.com/>

Tribute Wall

CN

“ *he was always so pleasant in greeting everyone at the opera.
Sympathies to his family*

Cathy Nemeth - February 22, 2020 at 03:13 PM

CE

“ *Greg was my dear friend and incomparable colleague. I first met him in the early '80s in New York when I was a frazzled producer at the small Bel Canto Opera company and he offered a welcome helping hand. Over the years we've worked and laughed together at New York City Opera, Bronx Opera, and most memorably at Sarasota Opera, where I served as Apprentice Stage Director from 1990-1994. He was the embodiment of kindness, consideration, integrity, humor and love. My deep condolences to Lon Black, his longtime colleagues at Sarasota Opera and the countless artists he encouraged and set on their career paths. Opera, and the world, has lost one of the very best.*



Cynthia Edwards - February 21, 2020 at 03:41 PM

CE

April 19, 2016, Verdi Tribute in Verdi Square, New York City, sponsored by Sarasota Opera.

Cynthia Edwards - February 21, 2020 at 03:50 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gregory Trupiano.*



February 20, 2020 at 02:19 PM



“ *Dee Marie Phillips, and Kurt Armsden and Joan purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Gregory Trupiano.*



Dee Marie Phillips, and Kurt Armsden and Joan - February 19, 2020 at 09:22 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Gregory Trupiano.*



February 19, 2020 at 04:22 PM

SD

“ I applied to be a supernumerary in 2007. Greg interviewed me and I thought that would be the end of it. A few days later I saw him on Palm Avenue during First Friday. He came up to me and said, "I was going to call you. We want you to be in "Madama Butterfly" and "Attila." I was stunned. He clearly saw something in me I didn't see in myself. Now it's 2020 and I'm appearing in my thirty-third opera as a super and my wife is appearing in her sixth. We love being part of the Sarasota Opera community. If it hadn't been for Greg it would never have happened, and we are eternally grateful to him. I think it's literally impossible to overstate what he meant to Sarasota Opera and to a legion of singers, musicians and supers.

May he rest in peace.

Steve Dickman - February 19, 2020 at 01:44 PM


Jennifer
Hancock

“ He was such a kind and loving man. My first memory of him was when my son was 7 in his first concert with the youth opera. I remember Greg coming up to my son and giving him guidance and encouragement in a way that was both age appropriate and also - clear he held high artistic standards. 7 years later and my impression of him never changed. He is a kind man and a dedicated professional. I also appreciate that he gave me my first chance to be a super in an opera (and for that I am grateful as it was a great experience).

I am saddened by our loss and will remember him fondly. The opera house will not be the same without him.

Jennifer Hancock - February 19, 2020 at 12:07 PM