

***Expression of Condolence for
Frank Bernardo by Toronto City Council***

Moved by: Councillor Mike Colle

Seconded by: Councillor Anthony Perruzza

The Mayor and Members of Toronto City Council are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Frank Bernardo (Francesco Barbalinardo) on December 9, 2023, at the age of 91.

Predeceased by his first wife Maria (1980) and sadly his second wife Sandra (2009), he leaves behind his children Patrizia, Gianpaolo (Claudia) and Eliana (Angelo). He was a proud nonno of Pietro, Gabriella, Gianfranco and Gina.

Frank became known as 'Mr. Bernardo' within his local community of Dufferin and Lawrence, serving local families and community members for over 50 years. In 1968, along with his partners, they opened Bernardo Funeral Homes in Toronto, still active today. Frank was passionate about running, and as a marathon runner, he was often spotted running through the Dufferin and Lawrence neighbourhood. Frank adored his family and was a cousin of one of the City's best-known personalities, Johnny Lombardi, who founded CHIN in the Little Italy neighborhood.

Frank is remembered by all for his great compassion, dedication to service, and lifelong work ethic. His kindness and generosity to others are a shining example to us all.

The City Clerk is requested to convey, on behalf of the Members of Toronto City Council, our sincere sympathy to Frank's family.

December 13, 2023