





And Mollie:

(And Ken, Julie, Aaron & Jethra And Dan, Karen & Paul)





Hi Debbie,

I just now realized I never answered your email from months ago. It's probably too late for you to include anything about this in the surprise tribute you were going to put together, but I still wanted to share my memory with you.

What I remember most about your dad was that he always took our side when we would visit him and my Grandma Molly in Florida. If Aaron and I wanted to do something and my grandma didn't want us to, Sid would always say something like, "Oh, Molly, just let the kids do [this or that]," and she would never contradict him. It was great!

Anyway, I hope the party is fantastic! I'm sorry I just could not get away from work to join you. It's very tough to get days off so close to a major vacation.

Best wishes to everyone,

Jethra

Gene & Linda Get Married:



Thoughts about Sid on his 100th Birthday by Linda Santoro

It has been my privilege to call Sid my father-in-law for more than 26 years. He is a loving, caring, warm, considerate, generous, happy, youthful and fun man who I love very much. For me he has been a role model of how to live one's life well.

Favorite memories are numerous, but at the top of the list are:

Seeing him playing with Becky: this often included getting down on the floor to crawl around

Listening to his wonderful stories of his World War II days, especially those spent in Pisa

Listening to his stories of his youth on the Lower East Side with his sister Alice, his cousin Casey and his friends . . . oh boy was he a prankster!

And then one day getting to drive around and see some of those places where he had lived

Learning that the Hamilton Fish Recreation Center, where Becky spent two summer internships, was one of his old haunting grounds when he was a boy

Seeing him dress up for Halloween and go trick or treating with Alice and Eve (for the first time) at the exuberant age of 90!

Listening and watching him help teach Becky to drive and then go with her to her road test - at a youthful 97!

His words at his 90th birthday party in which he expected to see everyone back in ten years for his 100th!

And more recently his gleeful statement when his driver's license was renewed last year (2011) when he said "I have official permission to stick around until 2016!"





The Family gets even larger:

