

Chapter 17. Linda Ferraro's Siblings

Summary

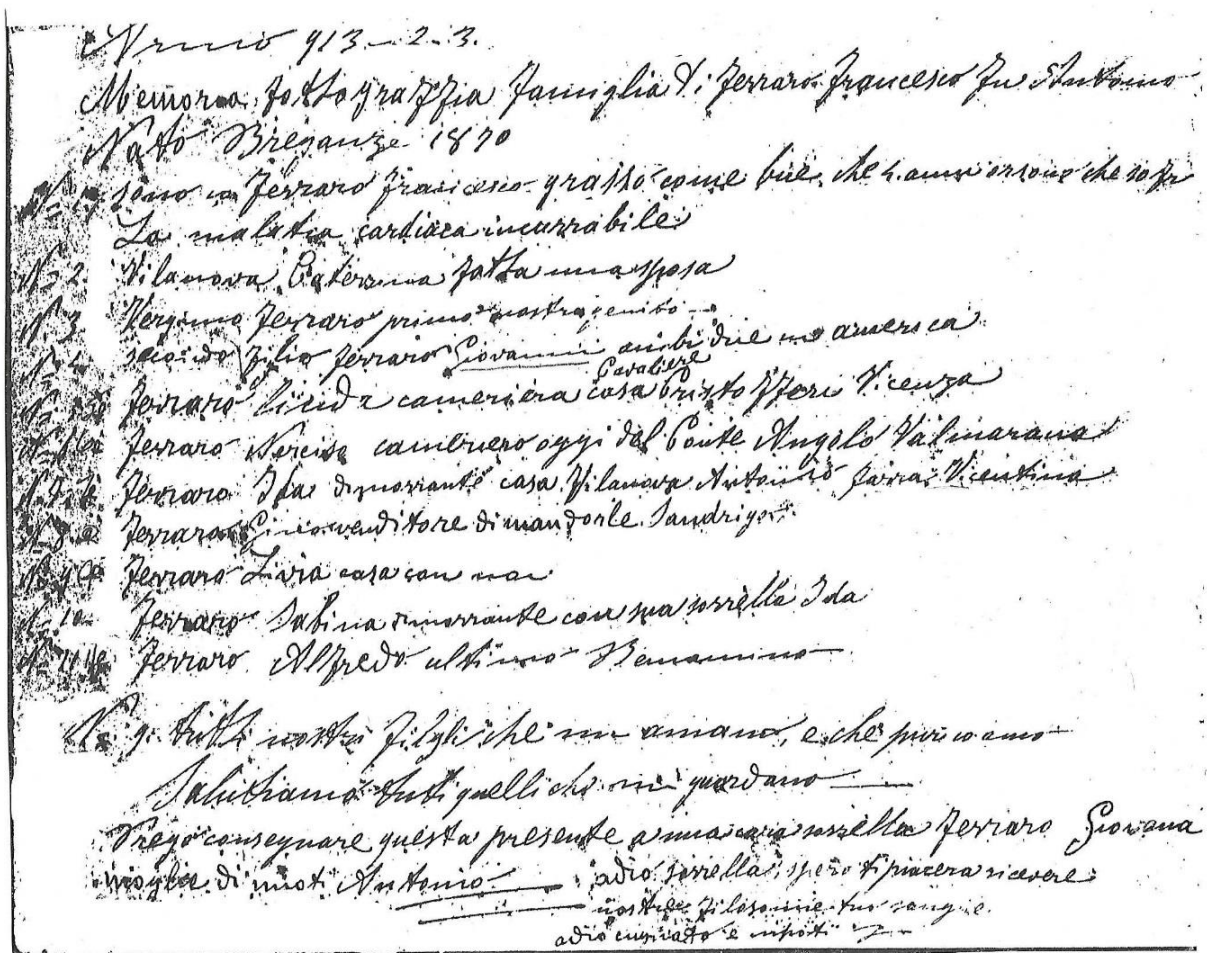
Linda was 1 of 12 children. By the end of 1920 Linda, her parents, and 5 of her siblings (Virginio, Giovanni [*John*], Narciso [*Narcissus*], Sebastiano [*Gino*], and Sereno) had come to the U.S. A sister (Ida/Aida) stayed in Italy as a widow (later re-married) with children. Three siblings (Lidia/Livia, Sabino, and Alfredo) died in Italy in the 1918 flu pandemic. A brother (Lino) died on his fifth day. A sister (Catterina) was stillborn. Those who came to the U.S. settled initially in Rockford IL. Sereno stayed in Rockford, Gino spent most of his adult life as a priest in Michigan, and Virginio, Giovanni [*John*], Linda, and Narciso [*Narcissus*] moved to Glencoe and Highland Park IL, areas where the Ullians also lived. Virginio and Narcissus, like their brother-in-law John Ullian, were gardeners in private homes in the northern Chicago suburbs.



Ferraro Family Photograph – 1913

The following family members are in the above photo.

Sebastiano [*Gino*] (1902-1976), Linda (with white scarf – 1895-1929), Francesco Giuseppe [*Frank*] (#1 – father – 1870-1926), Catterina [*Catherine*] Villanova (#2 – mother – 1871-1941), Ida/Aida (1898-1981), Lidia/Livia (1904-1918), Alfredo (#11 – standing on chair – 1910-1918), and Sabina (#10 – sitting on stool – 1906-1918). Photos of 3 of the siblings were added. The photo added in the upper left is Narciso [*Narcissus*] (1896-1976). The added photos of Virginio (1891-1963) and Giovanni [*John*] (1893-1959) show them seeming to stand on the far right. Giovanni [*John*] was already in the U.S. when the photo was taken. Three of Linda's siblings were not alive when the photo was taken: Sereno had not yet been born, Lino died in 1900 when he was 5 days old, and according to Fr. Gino [*Sebastiano*] Ferraro, Catterina was stillborn. A note from Dennis Ferraro [*Son of Sereno*] to Fred Ferraro [*Son of Narcissus*] indicates that Catterina [*Catherine, the mother*] is holding a photo of “the three which they sent back to the old country.” It is not clear to us what “sent back to the old country” means in this context. [*Note: Fr. Gino has written that there were 13 children in this family, but in that document he listed only 12 names. We have no other evidence of a 13th child.*]



Ferraro Family Photograph – 1913 – Writing on Back

The following is our best attempt at reading and translating the writing on the back of the photo.

Year: [1]913-2-3 [3 Feb 1913]

Memorial photograph of the family of Francesco Ferraro, son of Antonio,
Born in Breganze 1870.

Number 1. ____ Ferraro Francesco – big as an ox, who ____ who suffers from
an incurable cardiac disease.

Number 2. Vilanova Caterina made a bride

Number 3. Virginio Ferraro first [born] of our parents

Number 4. Second son Ferraro Giovanni ____ in America

Number 5. Ferraro Linda maid [or waitress] at the home of Cavalier Cristoferri Vicenza

Number 6. Ferraro Narciso valet [or manservant, or waiter] today of Count Angelo
Valissarana

Number 7. Ferraro Ida ____ at the home of Antonio Vilanova Farra Vicentina

Number 8. Ferraro Gino seller of almonds. Sandrigo [a town in Vicenza]

Number 9. Ferraro Livia at my home

Number 10. Ferraro Sabina _____ [same indecipherable word as with Ida] with my sister Ida

Number 11. Ferraro Alfredo the last _____

At the bottom:

We salute [greet] also those who ____ see [this?]

Please deliver this present to my dear sister Ferraro Giovanna, wife of Antonio

Goodbye sister: I hope you are pleased to receive this

Our _____ was _____

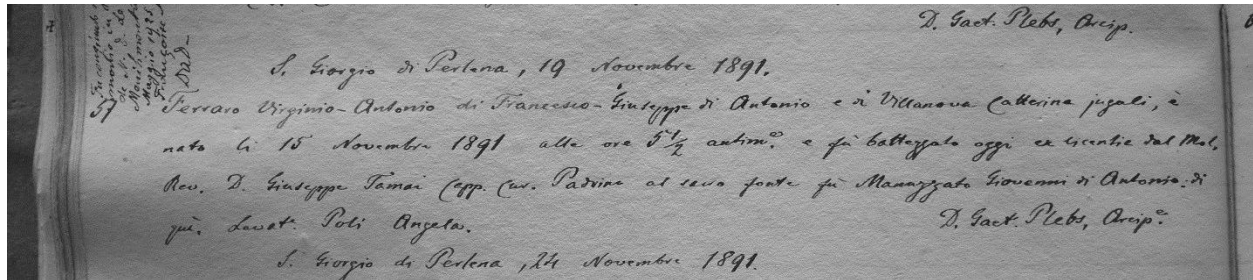
Goodbye cousin ____ and ____ _____

Linda Ferraro was obviously from a large family – there were 12 children. Of her 11 siblings, 1 was stillborn, 1 died on his fifth day, 3 died in 1918 (presumably in the 1918 flu pandemic), 3 came to the U.S. before she did, 2 accompanied her on that trip, and 1 stayed behind in Italy (Ida/Aida, by then a widow with children).

Information for each of her siblings (except Catterina, who was stillborn) follows. The scans of church records of the siblings were provided through a contract with *My Italian Family, LLC*, and are accompanied by a translation of at least a section of the document.

Virginio Antonio Ferraro (1891 - 1965)

Virginio Antonio, son of Francesco and Catterina Ferraro, was born on 15 Nov 1891 in San Giorgio di Perlana, Vicenza, Italy. His first name is also seen as Virgino, Verginio, Vergino, and on the ship manifest as Ant. Virginio Feraro.



Record (above) and Research Notes (below) from My Italian Family, LLC

He was born at 5:30 a.m. Godfather: Marazzato Giovanni son of Antonio

Virginio arrived in New York on the S.S. *La Savoie* 21 Apr 1912 at the age of 21 years to stay with his brother Giovanni [John] in Rockford, Winnebago, Illinois.

Form 500-2
Bureau of Commerce and Labor
IMMIGRATION SERVICE

SALOON, CABIN, AND STEERAGE ALIENS MUST BE COMPLETELY MANIFESTED.

LIST OR MANIFEST OF ALIEN PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES

Required by the regulations of the Secretary of Commerce and Labor of the United States, under Act of Congress approved February 20, 1907, to be delivered

S. S. **LA SAVOIE** sailing from **Le Havre** APR 13 1912 19

No. on List	NAME IN FULL	Age	Sex	Calling or Occupation	Able to Read Write	Nationality (Country of which citizen or subject)	Place or People	*Last Permanent Residence	The name and complete address of nearest relative or friend in country whence alien came	Final Destination (If known, state permanent residence)
	Family Name	Given Name	Yrs. Mos.					Country	City or Town	State
1	Ligue	Jovo	18	M	S. Salove	yes	Austria/Croatian/Austria	Digridol	Father: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
2	Lurek	Krang	24	M			Polymann	Wurde	Mother: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
3	Lurek	Krang	15	M					Mother: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
4	Ladd	Emil	19	M	S. Salove				Mother: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
5	Equilante	Domenico	17	M	S		Italy	Italy	Father: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
6	Embroni	Enigi	14	M	Mig				Mother: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
7	Bentini	Eugene	24	M	S. Mason				Mother: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
8	Bohn	Albert	26	M	S. Mason				Mother: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
9	Bongi	Dietlo	32	M			Italy	Italy	Father: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
10	Brond	Adam	14	M	S. Salove		Germany/German	Germany	Mother: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
11	a	Jacob	15	M					Mother: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
12	a	Georg	14	M					Mother: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
13	Cucinieri	Nicola	18	M	S. Salove		Italy	Italy	Father: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
14	Del Gata	Sergio	24	M	S. Salove				Mother: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
15	Del Gata	Sergio	15	M					Mother: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
16	Di Rosato	Antonio	43	M					Mother: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
17	Di Rosato	Nicola	39	M					Mother: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
18	Ferraro	Ant. Virgilio	21	M			Russia	France	Father: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
19	Ferraro	Jean	20	M	Waiter		Russia	France	Father: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
20	Magualli	Auguste	20	M	S. Salove		Italy	Italy	Father: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
21	Marchetti	Guido	13	M	S. Salove				Mother: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
22	Mudoin	Georg	14	M	S. Salove		Romanian/Romanian	Romanian	Mother: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
23	a	Anton	14	M					Mother: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
24	Odorigio	Carmin	30	M	S. Salove		Italy	Italy	Father: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
25	a	Domenico	18	M					Mother: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
26	Passaglia	Domenico	33	M					Mother: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
27	Paladini	Fede	20	M					Mother: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
28	Querio	Fortunato	16	M	S. Minor				Mother: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
29	Rosenfeld	Mendel	25	M	S. Salove		Romanian/Russian	France	Father: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland
30	Rennusani	Guigelm	48	M	S. Salove		Italy	Italy	Father: Mazzuca, Ligo	Ohio Cleveland

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* An intended residence of one year shall constitute permanent residence. The last country in which alien resided with the intention of remaining as long as one year shall be the last permanent residence regardless of length of actual residence therein.

Virginio Ferraro Is Listed on Line 18 of the Ship Manifest.
He arrived from Havre, France on 13 April 1912 Onboard the S. S. La Savoie
first page [From Ancestry.com]

THIS SHEET IS FOR STEERAGE PASSENGERS.

List **4**

STATES IMMIGRATION OFFICER AT PORT OF ARRIVAL.

to the United States Immigration Officer by the Commanding Officer of any vessel having such passengers on board upon arrival at a port in the United States.

Arriving at Port of New York 21 APR 1912 19 176

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY NATURALIZATION ACT APPROVED JUNE 25, 1906.												
No.	Age	Sex	By whom sent	Whether ever before in the United States, and if so, when and where?	Whether going to join a relative or friend, and if so, what relative or friend, and his name and complete address.	Whether a Passenger.	Whether an Aliens.	Condition of Health, Mental and Physical.	Deformed or Crippled.	Height.	Color of—	Place of Birth.
				If Yes—						Feet. Inches.	Complexion.	Country. City or Town.
1	23	M	Self	no	Friend: Maroncelli, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 7	Clear	Chicago, Ill.
2	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 8	Fair blue	Chicago, Ill.
3	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 7	Brown	Chicago, Ill.
4	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 6	Brown	Chicago, Ill.
5	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 5	Clear	Chicago, Ill.
6	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 5	Clear	Chicago, Ill.
7	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 5	Clear	Chicago, Ill.
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11	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 5	Clear	Chicago, Ill.
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16	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 5	Clear	Chicago, Ill.
17	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 5	Clear	Chicago, Ill.
18	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 5	Clear	Chicago, Ill.
19	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 5	Clear	Chicago, Ill.
20	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 5	Clear	Chicago, Ill.
21	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 5	Clear	Chicago, Ill.
22	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 5	Clear	Chicago, Ill.
23	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 5	Clear	Chicago, Ill.
24	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 5	Clear	Chicago, Ill.
25	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 5	Clear	Chicago, Ill.
26	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 5	Clear	Chicago, Ill.
27	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 5	Clear	Chicago, Ill.
28	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 5	Clear	Chicago, Ill.
29	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 5	Clear	Chicago, Ill.
30	20	M	Self	no	Friend: Giovanni, 14-15 E. 15th St., Chicago, Ill.			Good	No	5 5	Clear	Chicago, Ill.

Virginio Ferraro on the S.S. La Savoie Ship Manifest – second page [From Ancestry.com]

Virginio married Carlotta Buson on 18 Aug 1919 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois. She had been born on 3 May 1900 in Albettone, Vicenza, Italy, and arrived in New York on 17 July 1919. Virginio and Carlotta had 2 daughters. Norma was born on 10 Jul 1922 in Braeside, a neighborhood in Highland Park IL. Florence was born on 8 Jul 1927 in Glencoe IL. Virginio was at that time a foundry worker in Glencoe.

On Virginio's Petition for Naturalization, dated 26 Feb 1929, he stated that he had declared his intention to become a U.S. citizen on 29 Jan 1927 at the Cook County Circuit Court in Chicago. His Petition indicated that he lived at 383 Adams St., Glencoe IL. He stated that he had lived in the U.S. since 21 Apr 1912, in Illinois since 23 Apr 1912. His occupation was moulder.

ORIGINAL

Form 2204-1,
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
NATURALIZATION SERVICE

No. 71963

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

PETITION FOR NATURALIZATION

To the Honorable the District Court of the United States, Northern District of Illinois:

The petition of VERGINIO FERRARO hereby filed, respectfully sheweth:

First. My place of residence is 383 Adams St., Glencoe, Illinois.

Second. My occupation is Moulder

Third. I was born on the 15th day of November, anno Domini 1.891, at Breganze, Italy

Fourth. I emigrated to the United States from Havre, France, on or about the 13th day of April, anno Domini 1.912, and arrived in the United States, at the port of New York, on the 21st day of April, anno Domini 1.912, on the vessel La Savoie

Fifth. I declared my intention to become a citizen of the United States on the 29th day of January, anno Domini 1927, at Chicago, Ill., in the Circuit Court of Cook County

Sixth. I am married. My (wife's) name is Carletta, (she) was born on the 12th day of May, anno Domini 1.901, at Italy, and now resides at with me, Chicago, Illinois.

I have 2 children, and the name, date and place of birth, and place of residence of each of said children is as follows:

Norma, born 10th July 1922 in Brasada, Ill.

Florence, born 8th July 1927 in Glencoe, Ill.

Both reside in Glencoe, Ill.

Seventh. I am not a disbeliever in or opposed to organized government or a member of or affiliated with any organization or body of persons teaching disbelief in or opposed to organized government. I am not a polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy. I am attached to the principles of the Constitution of the United States, and it is my intention to become a citizen of the United States and to renounce absolutely and forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to Victor Emmanuel III, King of Italy of whom at this time I am a subject, and it is my intention to reside permanently in the United States.

Eighth. I am able to speak the English language.

Ninth. I have resided continuously in the United States of America for the term of five years at least immediately preceding the date of this petition, to wit, since the 21st day of April, anno Domini 1.912, and in the State of Illinois, continuously next preceding the date of this petition, since the 23rd day of April, anno Domini 1.912, being a residence within this State of at least one year next preceding the date of this petition.

Tenth. I have not heretofore made petition for citizenship to any court. (When previously made, state date and court.)

at _____, on the _____ day of _____, anno Domini 1. _____, and the said petition was denied by the said Court for the following reasons and causes, to wit, _____ and the cause of such denial has since been cured or removed.)

Attached hereto and made a part of this petition are my declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States and the certificate from the Department of Labor, together with my affidavit and the affidavits of the two verifying witnesses thereto, required by law. Wherefore your petitioner prays that he may be admitted a citizen of the United States of America.

Declaration of Intention No. 179812 and Certificate of Arrival from Department of Labor filed this 26th day of February, 1928

Note to Clerk of Court.—If petitioner arrived in the United States on or before June 29, 1906, strike out the words reading "and Certificate of Arrival from Department of Labor."

AFFIDAVITS OF PETITIONER AND WITNESSES

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Northern District of Illinois,

The aforesaid petitioner being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the petitioner in the above-entitled proceedings; that he has read the foregoing petition and knows the contents thereof; that the said petition is signed with his full, true name; that the same is true of his own knowledge except as to matters therein stated to be alleged upon information and belief, and that as to those matters he believes it to be true.

John F. Leonardi, occupation Ins. Agent, residing at Highwood, Chicago, Illinois,

and Jacob Rudolph, occupation Chief Of Police, residing at Glencoe, Chicago, Illinois,

each being severally, duly, and respectively sworn, deposes and says that he is a citizen of the United States of America; that he has personally known VERGINIO FERRARO, the petitioner above mentioned, to have resided in the United States continuously immediately preceding the date of filing his petition, since the 1st day of October, anno Domini 1.922, and in the State in which the above-entitled petition is made continuously since the 1st day of October, anno Domini 1.922; and that he has personal knowledge that the said petitioner is a person of good moral character, attached to the principles of the Constitution of the United States, and that the petitioner is in every way qualified, in his opinion, to be admitted a citizen of the United States.

Subscribed and sworn to before me by the above-named petitioner and witnesses in the office of the Clerk of said Court at Chicago, Ill., this 26th day of February, anno Domini 1928

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Deputy Clerk of the United States District Court.

Virginio Ferraro's Petition for Naturalization

In the 1930 Federal Census Virginio [listed as “*Ant. Virginio Feraro*”] was enumerated on 1 May 1930 as a married man with his wife “Caroline” [Carlotta] and daughters Norma and Florence. Virginio was working as a gardener at private homes.

In the 1940 Federal Census Carlotta was listed on 23 Apr 1940 as divorced and head of the household with two daughters, Norma and Florence, at 383 Adams Ave. in Glencoe. Virginio was listed as divorced and a lodger, in the same residence.

On Carlotta’s Declaration of Intention on 29 Aug 1940 she was living at 383 Adams St., Chicago IL. [This should be Glencoe IL.] She was a 40-year-old divorced housewife who was born in Albettone, Vicenza, Italy, and had come to the U.S. for permanent residence. She arrived in New York on 17 Jul 1919 on the S.S. *Pesaro* from Genoa, Italy.

Other than the above 2 sources, both from 1940, we have found no other evidence of a divorce. Since their obituaries mention them as “beloved husband” and “beloved wife” of the other, and their names are together on a tombstone, we must wonder about the accuracy of the claim of divorce – or at least about the longevity of the divorce.

His brother Fr. Gino Ferraro has written (in a letter to Mrs. Alfred Ferraro in about 1974) that Virginio worked in foundries for 40 years, when young won first prize for being the best dancer in Rockford, and never learned to drive a car but loved his bicycle.

TRIPLICATE
(To be given to
declarant)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 163259

DECLARATION OF INTENTION (Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA In the DISTRICT Court
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS ss: THE UNITED STATES at CHICAGO, ILL.

I, **CARLOTTA FERRARO**
now residing at **383 Adams Street, Chicago, Ill.**
occupation **housewife**, aged **40** years, do declare on oath that my personal description is:
Sex **female**, color **white**, complexion **light**, color of eyes **gray**
color of hair **brown**, height **5** feet **2** inches; weight **155** pounds; visible distinctive marks
scar under left ear
race **North Italian**; nationality **Italian**
I was born in **Albettone Vicenza, Italy** on **May 3, 1900**
I am **divorced**. The name of my wife or husband is **Virginia**
we were married on **Aug. 18, 1919** at **Chicago, Ill.**
born at **San Giorgio, Italy** on **Nov. 25, 1891**
at **Chicago, Ill.** on **Apr. 23, 1910**
resides at **Chicago, Ill.** I have **2** children, and the name, date and place of birth,
and place of residence of each of said children are as follows: **Norma born July 10, 1922**
and Florence born July 8, 1927 both reside in Chicago, Ill.

I have **not** heretofore made a declaration of intention: Number _____, ON _____ (Date)
at **Albettone Vicenza, Italy** (City or town) (Name of court)
my last foreign residence was **Genoa, Italy** (City or town) (Country)
I emigrated to the United States of America from **New York, N. Y.** (City or town) (Country)
my lawful entry for permanent residence in the United States was at **July 17, 1919**
under the name of **Buson, Carlotta** (City or town) (Name of court)
on the vessel **SS Fesaro** (Name of vessel)

I will, before being admitted to citizenship, renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly, by name, to the prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty of which I may be at the time of admission a citizen or subject; I am not an anarchist; I am not a polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith to become a citizen of the United States of America and to reside permanently therein; and I certify that the photograph affixed to the duplicate and triplicate hereof is a likeness of me.

I swear (affirm) that the statements I have made and the intentions I have expressed in this declaration of intention subscribed by me are true to the best of my knowledge and belief: So help me God.

Subscribed and sworn to before me in the form of oath shown above in the office of the Clerk of said Court, at **CHICAGO, ILLINOIS** this **29th** day of **August**, anno Domini, 19**40** Certification **11-249427** from the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization showing the lawful entry of the declarant for permanent residence on the date stated above, has been received by me. The photograph affixed to the duplicate and triplicate hereof is a likeness of the declarant.

HOYT KING

U. S. DISTRICT

Clerk of the Court.
By **Adna H. King** Deputy Clerk.

Form 2302-L-A
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE
[See instructions on reverse hereof]



No 387086

Carlotta (Buson) Ferraro's Declaration of Intention [From Ancestry.com]

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

The following witnesses, each being severally, duly, and respectively sworn, depose and say:

My name is James Doretta, my occupation is Manufacturer
 I reside at W. Lake Avenue, Glenview, Illinois
 My name is Elena Doretta, my occupation is Housewife
 I reside at W. Lake Ave., Glenview, Illinois

I am a citizen of the United States of America; I have personally known and have been acquainted in the United States with Carlotta Ferraro, the petitioner named in the petition for naturalization of which this affidavit is a part, since Jan. 1, 1935, to my personal knowledge the petitioner has resided, immediately preceding the date of filing this petition, in the United States continuously since the date last mentioned, and at Glenview in the State of Illinois continuously since Jan. 1, 1935 and I have personal knowledge that the petitioner is and during all such periods has been a person of good moral character, attached to the principles of the Constitution of the United States, and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the United States, and in my opinion the petitioner is in every way qualified to be admitted a citizen of the United States. I do swear (affirm) that the statements of fact I have made in this affidavit of this petition for naturalization subscribed by me are true to the best of my knowledge and belief: SO HELP ME GOD.

James Doretta Elena Doretta
 Subscribed and sworn to before me by the above-named petitioner and witnesses in the respective forms of oath shown in said petition and affidavit in the office of the Clerk of said Court at Chicago, Ill. this 21 day of December Anno Domini 1943.
 I hereby certify that Certificate of Arrival No. 11 249427 from the Immigration and Naturalization Service, showing the lawful entry for permanent residence of the petitioner above named, together with Declaration of Intention No. 163259 of such petitioner, has been by me filed with, attached to, and made a part of this petition on this date.

ROY H. JOHNSON

[SEAL]

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By

Edna A. Perskinson
 Deputy Clerk.

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I hereby declare, on oath, that I absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty of whom or which I have heretofore been a subject or citizen; that I will support and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States of America against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I take this obligation freely without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion: SO HELP ME GOD. In acknowledgment whereof I have hereunto affixed my signature.

Carlotta Ferraro
 Sworn to in open court, this 5 day of OCT 5 - 1943, A. D. 1943

Clerk.

By

Deputy Clerk.

NOTE.—In renunciation of title or order of nobility, add the following to the oath of allegiance before it is signed: "I further renounce the title of (give title or titles) which I have heretofore held," or "I further renounce the order of nobility (give the order of nobility) to which I have heretofore belonged."

Petition granted: Line No. 23 of List No. 6718 and Certificate No. 5695988 issued.

Petition denied: List No. _____

Petition continued from _____ to _____ Reason _____

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Carlotta (Buson) Ferraro's Oath of Allegiance [From Ancestry.com]



Mary (Wife of Narcissus), Carlotta, and Virginio Ferraro

Virginio died 6 Aug 1965 and is buried at Sacred Heart Cemetery, Northbrook IL. His obituary (below) was in the 8 Aug 1965 *Chicago Tribune*. [Viewed at Newspapers.com].

“Verginio A. Ferraro of 383 Adams St., Glencoe, beloved husband of Carlotta; father of Mrs. Norma Rogan of Glencoe and Mrs. Florence Levernier of Highland Park; brother of Narcissus, Rev. Father Gino, and Sereno Ferraro; three grandchildren. Resting at Robert V. Wilson Chapel, Linden Avenue at Tower Road, Winnetka. Funeral mass Monday, Aug. 9, 9:30 a.m., at Sacred Heart Church, Winnetka. Interment Sacred Heart Cemetery. HI 6-3436.”

Carlotta outlived Virginio by more than 32 years, living to the age of 97. Her obituary (below) was in the 3 Jan 1998 *Chicago Tribune*. [Viewed at Newspapers.com].

"Carlotta Ferraro, 97, of Glencoe, beloved wife of the late Verginio; loving mother of Norma (the late Edward) Rogan and Florence (Arthur) Levernier; dear grandmother of James, Dorothy and Robert; great-grandmother of Andrew, Adam, Kathryn, Samantha and Stephanie; great-great grandmother of Taylor.

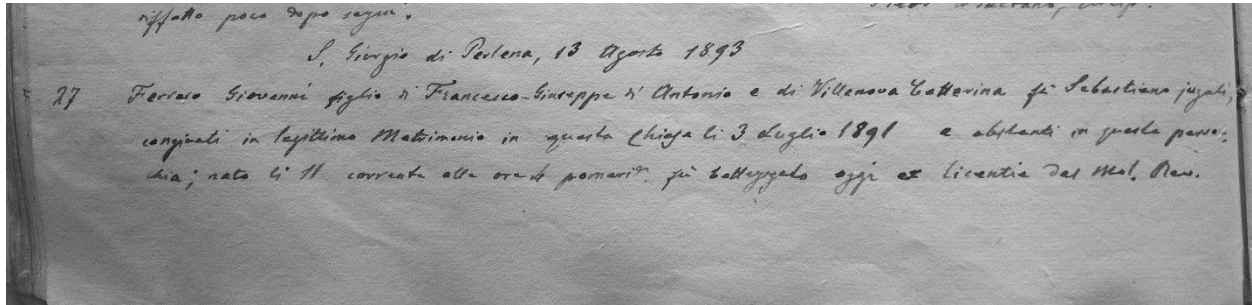
Visitation Sunday from 3-8 p.m. at Hanekamp Funeral Home, 385 Waukegan Rd. (1/2 mile N of Dundee Rd.), Northbrook. Family and friends to meet Monday at 9:45 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church, 905 Burr Rd., Winnetka, for 10 a.m. Funeral mass. Interment Sacred Heart Cemetery, Northbrook. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Hadley School for the Blind, 700 Elm St., Winnetka, IL 60093, would be appreciated. Funeral info 847-272-3890."



Virginio and Carlotta Ferraro's Tombstone

Giovanni [John] Ferraro (1893 - 1959)

Giovanni [John] Ferraro, son of Francesco and Catterina Ferraro, was born on 11 Aug 1893 in San Giorgio di Perlana, Vicenza, Italy.



Record from My Italian Family, LLC

Giovanni [John] Ferraro left Genoa on 21 Apr 1910 and arrived in New York on 13 May 1910 on the SS *Antonio Lopez*. His last place of residence in Italy was Montecchio. He was the first of his siblings to come to the U.S.

John married Anna Comperini on 9 Oct 1915 in Rockford, Winnebago, Illinois. They had 8 children: Frank Dominick, Emma, John A. (died of spasm of larynx), Ida, Leonora, John G. (died of broncho-pneumonia), Gildo, and Richard.

On his draft registration on 5 Jun 1917, his address was 1011 Sanford St., Rockford IL. He indicated that he had submitted his “first papers” [*Declaration of Intent – to become a citizen*]. He was born 11 Aug 1893 in Breganza [*Breganze*] Italy, and at the time of completing the draft registration was a machinist at John Barnes Co. on Water St. He was married, 5’9” tall, medium build, with dark hair and eyes. It noted that the little finger of his right hand had been amputated.

Form 1		REGISTRATION CARD		No. 221
1	Name in full	Giovanni Ferraro	2258	Age, in yrs. 24
2	Home address	1011 Sanford St. Rockford, Ill.		
3	Date of birth	Aug 11th	1893	
4	Are you (1) a natural-born citizen, (2) a naturalized citizen, (3) an alien, (4) or have you declared your intention (specify which)?	I wish to become a citizen		
5	Where were you born?	Breganza	Italy	
6	If not a citizen, of what country are you a citizen or subject?			
7	What is your present trade, occupation, or office?	Machinist		
8	By whom employed?	John Barnes Co		
9	Where employed?	Water St		
10	Have you a father, mother, wife, child, under 12, or sister or brother under 12, solely dependent on you for support (specify which)?	Wife		
11	Married or single (which)?	married	Race (specify which)?	white
12	What military service have you had? Rank			
13	Do you claim exemption from draft (specify grounds)?	No		
I affirm that I have verified above answers and that they are true.				
John Ferraro (Signature or Mark)				

REGISTRAR'S REPORT	
1	Tall, medium, or short (specify which)? 5 feet 9. Slender, medium, or stout (which)? Medium.
2	Color of eyes? dark. Color of hair? dark. Bald? No.
3	Has person lost arm, leg, hand, foot, or both eyes, or is he otherwise disabled (specify)? Little fingers on right hand amputated.
I certify that my answers are true, that the person registered has read his own answers, that I have witnessed his signature, and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:	
B. Eugene Mott (Signature of Registrar)	
Precinct	30th
City or County	Rockford Winnebago
State	Ill.
June 5th (Date of registration)	

John Ferraro's Draft Registration – 5 Jun 1917 [From Ancestry.com]

Giovanni Ferraro's Petition for Naturalization, dated 25 Sep 1924, showed that he lived at 330 Adams Ave. in Glencoe. He was a laborer born on 11 Aug 1893 in Breganze, Italy. He had declared his intention to become a citizen on 24 Apr 1920 in the Circuit Court of Winnebago County, Rockford IL. His wife's name was Annie. She was born 31 May 1899 in Austria. They had 2 children: Frank (born 28 Sep 1919) and Emma (born 9 Feb 1921). Both children were born in Rockford and were living with him in Rockford at the time of the Petition. That form also documented his change of name from Giovanni to John.

At their enumeration for the 1920 Federal Census, John and Anna lived at 1220 Green St., Rockford. John was a machinist at a drill company. They had 1 son, Frank, 3 months old.

In 1929 or early in 1930 John had moved his family from Rockford to Glencoe IL. At the time of the 1930 Federal Census, John and Anna lived at 330 Adams Ave., Glencoe. John was now a cement contractor. At the 1940 Federal Census, John and Anna still lived at 330 Adams Ave., Glencoe, and John was a cement finisher contractor.

John was still living at 330 Adams Ave. on 27 Apr 1942, when he completed his Second World War draft registration card. He worked for John Griffiths & Son Construction Co. of Chicago, working at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station. John was evidently one of the many workmen involved in preparing the expansion of Great Lakes Naval Training Station for its role in training Naval personnel (including John Ferraro's nephew Gino Ullian) for their Second World War service.

REGISTRATION CARD—(Men born on or after April 28, 1877 and on or before February 16, 1897)

SERIAL NUMBER U 74	1. NAME (Print) John Ferraro (First) (Middle) (Last)		ORDER NUMBER
2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print) 330 Adams Ave. Glencoe Cook Illinois (Number and street) (Town, township, village, or city) (County) (State) [THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE GIVEN ON THE LINE ABOVE WILL DETERMINE LOCAL BOARD JURISDICTION; LINE 2 OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE WILL BE IDENTICAL]			
3. MAILING ADDRESS Same [Mailing address if other than place indicated on line 2. If same insert word same]			
4. TELEPHONE Glencoe 1321 (Exchange) (Number)	5. AGE IN YEARS 48 DATE OF BIRTH Aug. 11 1893 (Mo.) (Day) (Yr.)	6. PLACE OF BIRTH Brayonze (Town or county) Italy (State or country)	
7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS Mrs. Anna Ferraro 330 Adams Ave. Glencoe: Ill.			
8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS John Griffiths & Son Construction Co. Chicago. Ill.			
9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS U.S. Naval Training Sta. Great Lakes Lake Ill. (Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)			
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.			
D. S. S. Form 1 (Revised 4-1-42)	(over)	16-21630-2	John Ferraro (Registrant's signature)

John Ferraro's World War II Draft Registration – 27 Apr 1942 [From Ancestry.com]

On 10 Nov 1959 in what he called the FERRARO FAMILY BULLETIN, John Ferraro's brother Rev. Fr. Gino Ferraro wrote [as copied here] the following about John Ferraro.

".... John raised a splendid family. His six children are a credit to the community they live [sic]. John never denied his Catholic Faith and he never abandoned Christ's True Church. All these factors speak in his favor. / John came to Rockford from Italy at the tender age of 16, he was a very happy youngster in those days when Rockford was still young. He sent for his parents and he paid for their transportation. He courtshipped a very beautiful young lady Anna Comperini whom he later married. He also bought a beautiful home 1020 Green St., Rfd, Ill. The people around him were all immigrants like himself and they loved him and they looked upon him as a leader. Sundays John occupied a pew in St. Anthony's Church which he helped to build. / In 1923 John brought his family to Glencoe, Ill. He began to work seven days a week and like many of his contemporaries who had a materialistic concept of life, he wanted to get rich quick. John never got rich. Still he did not go to heaven EMPTY-HANDED NEITHER. His GOOD WORKS OF HIS YOUTH ACCOMPANIED HIM. May he rest in peace."



John Ferraro in Band Uniform



John Ferraro – April 1954

Leonora, daughter of John and Anna, has told Linda Wysocki the following. Her father was a sheepherder in Italy, along with his brother Virginio. He loved the opera. He played the tuba in the school band. He also loved to talk politics. He was a stone mason and spoke good English. He died of kidney disease. Anna Comperini was from a wealthy family in Italy. Her father sent his sons to the United States to avoid the draft in Italy.



John Ferraro – Stone Mason.

John died on 27 Oct 1959. He is buried at Sacred Heart Cemetery in Northbrook IL.



John Ferraro's Tombstone

Anna (Comperini) Ferraro died about 1 Apr 1980 of a heart attack. Her obituary (below) is from the 2 Apr 1980 *Chicago Tribune* [Viewed at Newsbank.com].

“Anna Ferraro, beloved mother of Frank (Alice), Emma (Ernest) Semler, Ida (Orlando) DeRose, Leonora Ferraro, Gildo (Barbara) and Richard (Kathy); grandmother of 11; great-grandmother of seven; and sister of Michael Comperini. Funeral Thursday, 9 a.m., from the Maloney Funeral Home, 895 Linden Ave., Winnetka, to Sacred Heart Church for blessing at 9:30 a.m. Interment Sacred Heart Cemetery. Visitation Wednesday from 7 to 9 p.m. 441-7020.”

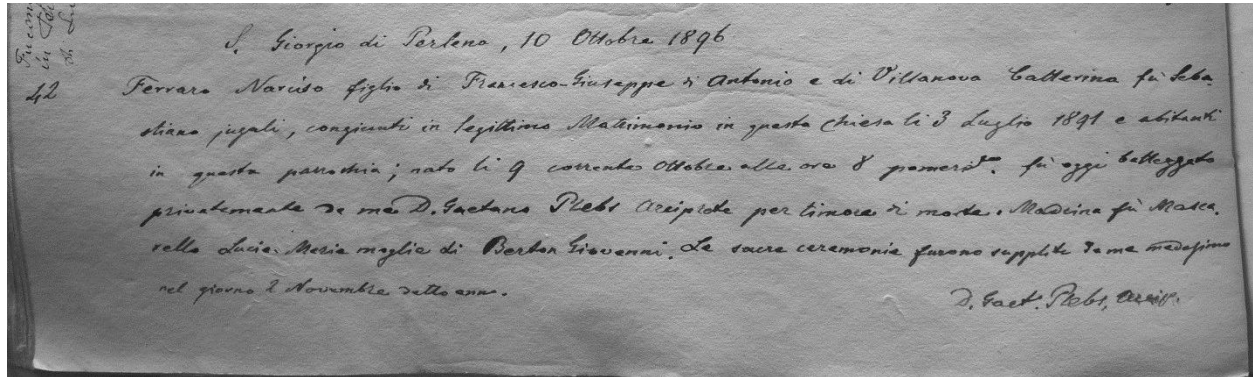
In writing that John and Anna had 6 children, Fr. Gino evidently was not including their sons John A. and John C., who both died very young.



John A. and John G. Ferraro's Tombstone
(Two Sons of John and Anna Ferraro)
Sacred Heart Cemetery, Northbrook IL

Narciso [Narcissus] Ferraro (1896 - 1976)

Narciso, son of Francesco and Catterina Ferraro, was born in San Giorgio di Perlana, Vicenza, Italy on 9 Oct 1896.



Record (above) and Research Notes (below) from My Italian Family, LLC

He was born at 8 p.m. He was baptized at home by the priest because they feared for his life. Godmother: Lucia Maria Mascarello wife of Giovanni Berton. The blessing was performed in the church on November 2 of that same year.

His name in the church record was Narciso, but he was known in the U.S. as Narcissus and Narcissus Dioniso.

Narcissus arrived at the age of 23 in New York on 2 Jul 1920, having sailed from Southampton, England, on the S.S. *Olympic*, according to the ship manifest. He was 5'4" tall, with dark hair and eyes. He was single, and his occupation was listed as waiter. His nearest relative in Italy was his father, G. Ferraro, in Citadell [*Cittadella, in the province of Padua*]. He was going to join his brother Virginio, 841 Shelto [*street unknown to us*], Chicago, Illinois. Final destination: Chicago. He paid for his own passage. He was listed in the manifest's Record of Detained Aliens; cause: no telephone number. He was released by rail to his brother Virginio, 841 State St.

His brother Fr. Gino Ferraro has written in a letter to Mrs. Alfred Ferraro in about 1974 that Narcissus served in the Italian Army and came to the U.S. in 1919.

Narcissus married Mary S. Maddalon in about 1927. They had 2 sons, first Fred Francis Ferraro, then Encio Norbert Ferraro.

At the 1930 Federal Census, Narcissus and Mary lived at 750 Glencoe Rd., Glencoe IL, along with their son Fred and 5 lodgers. Narcissus was a gardener for a private family.

At the 1940 Federal Census, Narcissus and Mary lived at 238 First St., Highland Park IL, with their sons Fred and Norbert. Narcissus was a gardener at a private house.

The draft registration card completed by Narcissus on 27 Apr 1942 showed that he was born 9 Oct 1896 in Breganze, Italy. He was a 45-year-old self-employed gardener who lived (as did his wife Mary) at 238 N. First St. in Highland Park IL

REGISTRATION CARD—(Men born on or after April 28, 1877 and on or before February 16, 1897)			
SERIAL NUMBER U 1749	1. NAME (Print) NARCISSEUS FERRARO		ORDER NUMBER
2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print) 238 No. First St., Highland Park, Lake Ill.			
[THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE GIVEN ON THE LINE ABOVE WILL DETERMINE LOCAL BOARD JURISDICTION; LINE 2 OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE WILL BE IDENTICAL]			
3. MAILING ADDRESS Same			
[Mailing address if other than place indicated on line 2. If same insert word same]			
4. TELEPHONE 2650	5. AGE IN YEARS 45	6. PLACE OF BIRTH Breganze Italy	
DATE OF BIRTH Oct. 9 1896			
7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS Mrs. Mary Ferraro, 238 No. First St.			
8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS self (gardening), Highland Park.			
9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS 238 No. First St., Highland Park, Lake Ill.			
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.			
D. S. S. FORM 1 (Revised 4-1-42)		10-21630-2 Narcissus Ferraro (Registrant's signature)	

Narcissus Ferraro's World War II Draft Registration – 27 Apr 1942 [From Ancestry.com]

Narcissus and his wife Mary sailed on the S.S. *Independence* from New York City on 11 Dec 1954 for a 3 month visit to Italy, according to the ship's manifest.

His obituary in the *Highland Park News* on 14 Oct 1976 provided the following information:

"Narcissus Ferraro, 79, of 688 Homewood Av., Highland Park, died Oct. 7 in Highland Park Hospital. He was the retired owner of a landscaping business. / Mr. Ferraro was born in Italy Oct. 9, 1896, and had been a resident of Highland Park 43 years. He was a member of Immaculate Conception Church. / Survivors are his wife, Mary; his sons, Encio Norbert of Highland Park and Fred of Dallas, Tex.; four grandchildren; and his sister, Ida Ferraro of Italy. / The funeral Mass was celebrated Oct. 9 in Immaculate Conception Church. The burial was in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Northfield. " [The Cemetery is actually in Northbrook.]



Narcissus Ferraro's Tombstone
Sacred Heart Cemetery, Northbrook IL



Mary Ferraro's Tombstone
Sacred Heart Cemetery, Northbrook IL

The death of Narcissus's wife Mary on 13 May 1992 was noted in the *Chicago Tribune* on 15 May 1992. [Viewed at Newspapers.com]

"Mary S. Ferraro, 86, a resident of Highland Park for more than 60 years, died Wednesday in Highland Park Hospital. Mrs. Ferraro was an active member of Immaculate Conception Parish in Highland Park. She is survived by two sons, Fred F. and Encio Norbert; two sisters, Nora Maddalon and Lucille DalPonte; one brother, Angelo Maddalon; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. Mass will be said at 10 a.m. Friday in Immaculate Conception Parish, 1590 Green Bay Rd., Highland Park."

Mary's death was also noted in an obituary of her home-town newspaper, the *Highland Park News* on 21 May 1992.

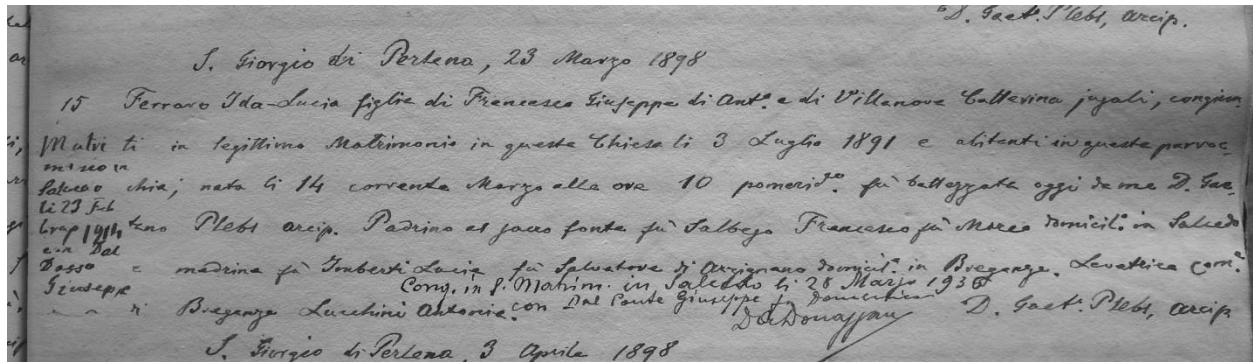
"Mary S. Ferraro / Long-time Highland Park resident Mary S. Ferraro, 86, died May 13 at Highland Park Hospital / Mrs. Ferraro was born March 29, 1906, in Troy, Ill. / Survivors include two sons, Fred F. Ferraro of Dallas, Texas, and Encio Norbert of Highland Park; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; two sisters, Nora Maddalon of Highland Park and Lucille Dal Ponte of Libertyville; and one brother, Angelo Maddalon of Highland Park. She was preceded in death by her husband, Narissus [*sic*] Ferraro, one brother, Albert Maddalon, and one sister Giovanna Piazza. / Funeral Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated May 15 at Immaculate Conception Church in Highland Park. Interment was at Sacred Heart Cemetery in Northbrook."



Anna, Narcissus, John, and Mary Ferraro

Ida/Aida Lucia Ferraro (1898 - 1981)

Ida/Aida Lucia, daughter of Francesco and Catterina Ferraro, was born in San Giorgio di Perlana, Vicenza, Italy, on 14 Mar 1898.



Record (above) and Research Notes (below) from My Italian Family, LLC

She was born at 10 p.m. Godfather: Francesco Salbego son of the late Marco domiciled in Salcedo and Godmother was Antonia Lucchini Breganze.

Ida Ferraro married Giuseppe Dal Dosso on 23 Feb 1914 in Salcedo, Italy. He died shortly after World War I. On 28 Mar 1936 she was married to Giuseppe Dal Ponte in Salcedo.

Ida and Giuseppe Dal Dosso had four children: Angelo, Felice, John, and Ursulina.



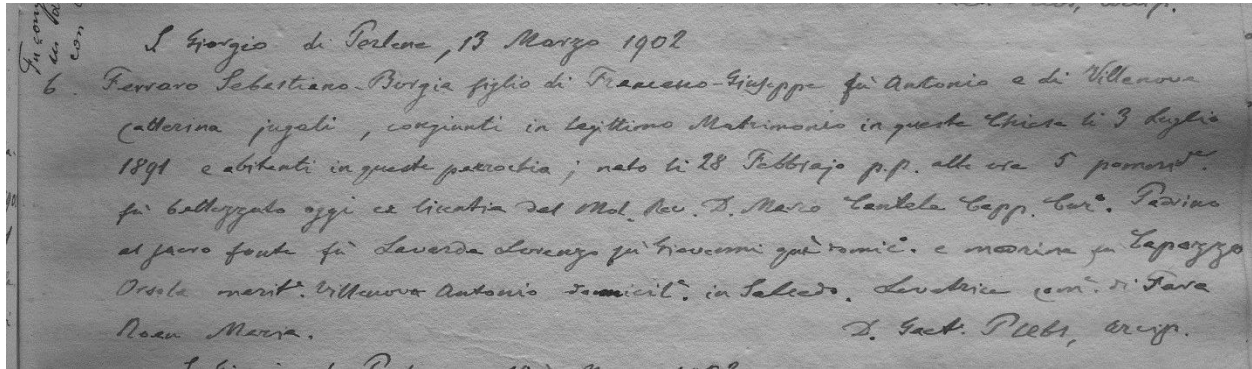
Ida/Aida Ferraro's Columbarium Marker in Salcedo Cemetery
[Translation: Born 14 Mar 1898, Died 5 Mar 1981. Dal Dosso Children and Grandchildren]



Columbarium where Ida's Niche is Located.

Sebastiano Borgia [Gino] Ferraro (1902 - 1976)

Sebastiano Borgia [Gino] Ferraro, son of Francesco and Catterina Ferraro, was born on 28 Feb 1902 in San Giorgio di Perlana, Vicenza, Italy.

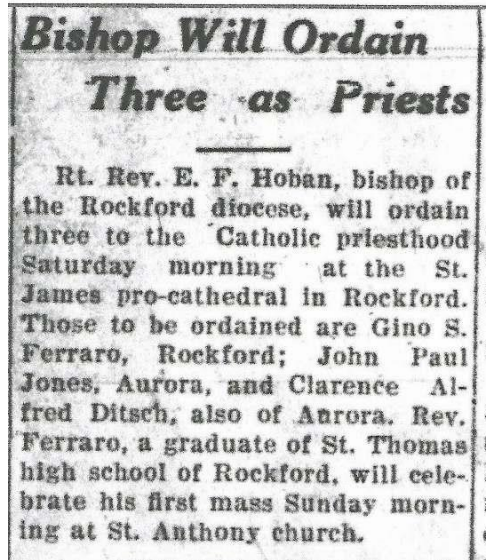


Record (above) and Research Notes (below) from My Italian Family, LLC

He was born at 5 p.m. Godfather was Lorenzo Leverda son of the late Giovanni from this parish and Godmother was Orsola Capozzo wife of Antonio Villanova domiciled in Salcedo.

Sebastiano/Sebastino [who was always known as Gino in the U.S.] arrived in the New York on 1 Nov 1920 from Genova [Genoa] on the S.S. *Regina d'Italia* with his father Francesco, mother Catterina Villanova, sister Linda, and brother Sereno. They were to stay with his brother Virginio Ferraro at 841 Shelto [street name unknown to us], Rockford IL.

Gino was ordained as a Roman Catholic priest on 14 Jun 1930 at St. James Cathedral in Rockford IL. The majority of his life was spent performing his priestly duties in parishes in Michigan. Fr. Gino, as he was best known, was also very interested in his family, writing several issues of the "Ferraro Family Bulletin" to pass along information on his Ferraro family. The contents of the 3 issues we have are provided in Appendix E. He also followed up on information he had received on Ferraros in Brazil, and that information is in Appendix F.



Article on the Ordination of Fr. Gino Ferraro
Belvidere Daily Republican [Belvidere IL] 12 Jun 1930



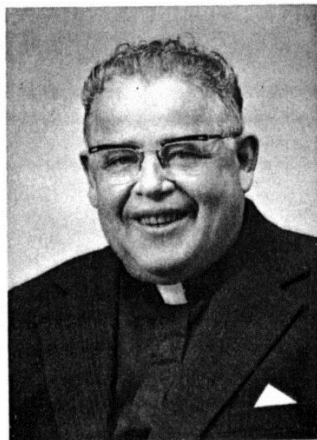
Fr. Gino Ferraro (and friend)

Event/Location	Date	Information Source
Born in San Giorgio di Perlana, Vicenza, Italy	28 Feb 1902	
Immigrated to New York	1 Nov 1920	
Student seminarian, Kendrick Seminary, St. Louis MO	1930	1930 Federal Census
Ordination, St. James Cathedral, Rockford IL	14 Jun 1930	
St. Anthony's, Rockford IL	1933	City Directory
Blessed Virgin of Pompeii, Milwaukee WI	1933	Thesis, page 16 www.patherfile.uwn.edu/margo/public/thesis3.docx
Bale de Wassi Catholic Church, Upper Peninsula MI		Newspaper article in <i>The Evening News</i> , 2 Dec 1938, Sault Ste. Marie MI
Assistant Pastor, 326 Portage Ave. E. Sault Ste. Marie MI	1940	1940 Federal Census
St. Sebastian Catholic Church, 210 E. Iron St., Bessemer MI	15 Jul 1941 & 21 Jul 1941	Newspaper article in <i>Ironwood Daily Globe</i> , Ironwood MI
Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, Franklin Mine MI (near Hancock)	15 Jun 1942	Newspaper article in <i>Ironwood Daily Globe</i> , Ironwood MI
Holy Family Church, 107 Atlantic St., South Range MI	1944 - 1951	Diocese of Marquette website www.dioceseofmarquette.org/parishhistory
St. Mary Catholic Church, Atlantic Mine MI	31 Jan 1946	Newspaper article in <i>Ironwood Daily Globe</i> , Ironwood MI
Holy Family Catholic Church, South Range MI	1944 - 1951	www.dioceseofmarquette.org/parishhistory
St. Bruno Catholic Church, Nadeau MI	1951 - 1966	www.dioceseofmarquette.org/parishhistory
Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 500 E. Blaine St. Iron Mountain MI	Nov 1966 - Jul 1970	Information sent from church
Pastor, St. Rose Catholic Church, 703 Bell, Channing MI	1970 - 1972	www.dioceseofMarquette.org/parishhistory

St. Marice Church Fort Lauderdale FL	1972 - 1974	Fr. Gino's letter to Mrs. Alfred Ferraro in about 1974
[Unknown]	1975 - 1976	
Death Menominee MI	27 Jul 76	Death certificate



Fr. Gino Ferraro



*"The Lord is my Shepherd; There
is nothing I shall want."
Psalm 23*

Reverend Father
GINO S. FERRARO
Born: FEBRUARY 28, 1902
Vicenza, Italy
Ordained: JUNE 14, 1930
Died: JULY 27, 1976
Menominee, Mich.
Concelebrated Mass of the Risen Lord
JULY 30, 1976
St. Bruno's Church
Nadeau, Mich.
MOST REVEREND BISHOP
CHARLES A. SALATKA
Principal Celebrant
Burial: NADEAU TOWNSHIP
CEMETARY
Nadeau, Mich.

May He Rest In Peace

Fr. Gino Ferraro's Funeral Card



Fr. Gino Ferraro's Tombstone, Nadeau Township Cemetery, Nadeau MI

When John A. Ullian and his family visited Fr. Gino at St. Bruno's Church in Nadeau in about 1955, his housekeeper was Marie Rouse. His tombstone is adjacent to a Rouse family tombstone, which leads us to wonder whether the Rouse family provided the grave for Fr. Gino's burial.



Fr. Gino Ferraro's Tombstone, next to Rouse Tombstone

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
Michigan Department of Public Health

LOCAL FILE NUMBER M-107 STATE FILE NUMBER (163)

DECEASED

1. DECEASED—NAME FIRST Gino MIDDLE S. LAST Ferraro 2. SEX Male 3. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) July 27th, 1976

4. RACE WHITE, NEGRO, AMERICAN INDIAN, ETC. (SPECIFY) White 5a. AGE—LAST BIRTHDAY (YEARS) 74 5b. MOS. 74 5c. DAYS 74 6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) Feb. 28, 1902 7a. COUNTY OF DEATH Menominee

7b. CITY, VILLAGE, OR TOWNSHIP OF DEATH Menominee 7c. INSIDE CITY LIMITS (SPECIFY YES OR NO) Yes 7d. HOSPITAL OR OTHER INSTITUTION: NAME (IF NOT IN EITHER, GIVE STREET AND NUMBER) Menominee County Lloyd Hospital

8. STATE OF BIRTH (IF NOT IN U.S.A., NAME COUNTRY) Italy 9. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY USA 10. MARRIED, NEVER MARRIED, WIDOWED, DIVORCED (SPECIFY) Never Married 11. SURVIVING SPOUSE (IF WIFE, GIVE MAIDEN NAME)

12. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER 370-40-4878A 13a. USUAL OCCUPATION (GIVE KIND OF WORK DONE DURING MOST OF WORKING LIFE, EVEN IF RETIRED) Retired Priest 13b. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY Marquette Diocese

14a. RESIDENCE—STATE Michigan 14b. COUNTY Menominee 14c. CITY, VILLAGE OR TOWNSHIP Stephenson 14d. INSIDE CITY LIMITS (SPECIFY YES OR NO) Yes 14e. STREET AND NUMBER

PARENTS

15. FATHER—NAME FIRST Frank MIDDLE Ferraro LAST Ferraro 16. MOTHER—MAIDEN NAME FIRST Catherine MIDDLE Villanova LAST Villanova

17a. INFORMANT—NAME Father, Norman Clisch 17b. MAILING ADDRESS (STREET OR R.F.D. NO., CITY OR TOWN, STATE, ZIP) 2607 18th St. Menominee, Michigan 49858

CAUSE

18. PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY: IMMEDIATE CAUSE [ENTER ONLY ONE CAUSE PER LINE FOR (a), (b), AND (c)] APPROXIMATE INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH

(a) Acute heart failure 7 days
DUE TO, OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF:

(b) Coronary thrombosis 4 days
DUE TO, OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF:

(c) Diabetes mellitus ??
DUE TO, OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF:

CONDITIONS, IF ANY, WHICH GAVE RISE TO IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a), STATING THE UNDERLYING CAUSE LAST

PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS: CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO CAUSE GIVEN IN PART I (a)

19a. ACCIDENT, SUICIDE, HOMICIDE, (SPECIFY) 19b. DATE OF INJURY (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) 19c. HOUR 19d. HOW INJURY OCCURRED (ENTER NATURE OF INJURY IN PART I OR PART II, ITEM 18)

20a. INJURY AT WORK (SPECIFY YES OR NO) 20b. PLACE OF INJURY AT HOME, FARM, STREET, FACTORY, OFFICE BLDG., ETC. (SPECIFY) 20c. LOCATION (STREET OR R.F.D. NO., CITY OR TOWN, STATE)

CERTIFIER

21a. CERTIFICATION—PHYSICIAN: I ATTENDED THE DECEASED FROM MONTH 09 DAY 26 YEAR 75 TO MONTH 07 DAY 27 YEAR 76 21b. AND LAST SAW HIM/HER ALIVE ON MONTH 07 DAY 27 YEAR 76 21c. I DID/DID NOT VIEW THE BODY AFTER DEATH. (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) 3:47a 21d. DEATH OCCURRED AT THE PLACE, ON THE DATE, AND, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, DUE TO THE CAUSE(S) STATED.

22a. CERTIFICATION—MEDICAL EXAMINER OR CORONER: ON THE BASIS OF THE EXAMINATION OF THE BODY AND/OR THE INVESTIGATION, IN MY OPINION, DEATH OCCURRED ON THE DATE AND DUE TO THE CAUSE(S) STATED. 22b. THE DECEDENT WAS PRONOUNCED DEAD MONTH 07 DAY 27 YEAR 76 HOUR 3:47a M.

23a. CERTIFIER—NAME (TYPE OR PRINT) Herman R. Brukardt MD 23b. SIGNATURE Herman R. Brukardt MD 23c. DEGREE OR TITLE MD 23d. DATE SIGNED (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) 07/28/76

24a. MAILING ADDRESS—CERTIFIER 24b. STREET OR R.F.D. NO. 534 First Street 24c. CITY OR TOWN Menominee 24d. STATE Mi 24e. ZIP 49858

BURIAL

25a. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (SPECIFY) Burial 25b. CEMETERY OR CREMATORY—NAME Nadeau Twp. Cemetery 25c. LOCATION CITY, VILLAGE, TWP. OR COUNTY STATE Nadeau, Menominee Michigan

26a. DATE (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) July 30, 1976 26b. FUNERAL HOME—NAME AND ADDRESS (STREET OR R.F.D. NO., CITY OR TOWN, STATE, ZIP) Kell Funeral Home Inc. 533 10th Ave. Menominee, Michigan 4985

27a. FUNERAL DIRECTOR—SIGNATURE Lenwood E. Kell 27b. REGISTRAR—SIGNATURE Robert P. Boudle 27c. DATE RECEIVED BY LOCAL REGISTRAR July 28, 1976

STATE OF MICHIGAN }
COUNTY OF MENOMINEE }

I, Marc Kleiman, Clerk of the Circuit Court for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the RECORD OF DEATH CERTIFICATE now remaining in my office and of the whole thereof. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have here unto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court, at the City of Menominee, this 28th day of July 2011.

Marc Kleiman
Menominee County Clerk
Jessica W. Dike
Deputy County Clerk

Fr. Gino Ferraro's Death Certificate



Sereno, Fr. Gino, Narcissus, and Virginio Ferraro

An excerpt from a letter from the Secretary at St. Bruno's Church in response to a request by Linda Wysocki for information about Fr. Gino at St. Bruno's follows.

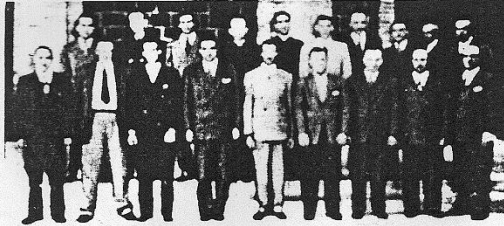
"Dear Linda,

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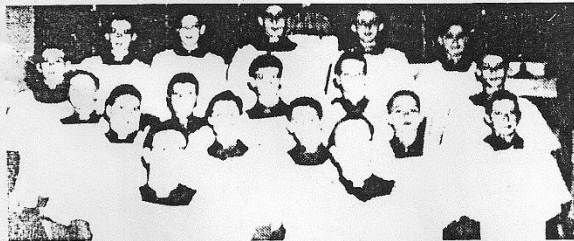
I had a copy made of a booklet made by Fr. Gino celebrating our Diamond Jubilee in 1955. Also a few pages copied from our centennial book of 1987.

Although I was a young girl of only 9 yrs. when Fr. Gino left St. Bruno's – I have very fond memories of him. I grew up in a family of 10 children and my father worked out of town and was only home on weekends. Fr. Gino would pick us children up and take us to religious classes and then back home again. My mother didn't drive. I also remember trying to hide in the pew during some of Fr. Gino's "fire and brimstone" sermons as his parishioners referred to them as. Parishioners still remember how he had his Italian wine at meetings and dinners. He was greatly loved by St. Bruno's Parish Family and still remembered for pinching lovingly the children's cheeks!"

In 1963, the church underwent major work to maintain its structure. The roof and walls were reinforced. The walls and ceilings were painted and three new altars were installed. A new altar railing and new tile on the sanctuary floor were also part of the improvements. The overall theme was simplicity. Scaffolding was overhead for many months as work commenced. In June of that year, Father McCarthy celebrated his silver jubilee as a priest with his friends and parishioners at his side.



USHERS IN THE EARLY 1950'S WITH FATHERS JAMES MC CARTHY AND ARTHUR PARROTTA. TOP ROW: E. SYMONS, W. YAGGIE, J. BECCO, FR. MC CARTHY, FR. APPROTTA, D. MARLOW, E. OLIVA, F. BECCO, H. GOULETTE, H. POLK-INGHORNE. BOTTOM ROW: J. LA FAVE, H. CHARTRE, A. KROKSTROM, F. CARUSO, A. MELELLI, A. MENGHINI, G. WALLNER, C. EUTIZZI, F. VALENTI.



ALTAR BOYS IN THE EARLY 1950'S WITH FATHERS JAMES MC CARTHY AND ARTHUR PARROTTA. TOP ROW: R. MARTIN, BOB OLIVANTI, J. MARCHETTI, G. WALLNER, DICK OLIVANTI. SECOND ROW: J. SALINA, T. LAGINA, R. SPIGARELLI, F. PALLUCONI, W. YAGGIE, R. FURNO. FIRST ROW: A. BLAN, F. PALLUCONI, J. ANDRIENI, V. ROSSI, G. GIANNUNZIO, R. HANSON AND G. LA FAVE, MISSING.



PARISH COMMITTEE OF 1952
FRONT ROW: GEORGE WALLNER, JOSEPH LA FAVE, FRANK VALENTI. BACK ROW: AMELIO PALLUCONI, LEWIS VILLA, FRANK BECCO.

In November of 1966, after fifteen years, Father "Mac," as he was affectionately known, left this parish to become pastor at Saint Ignatius Parish in Houghton, Michigan.

Father Gino S. Ferraro became the next pastor that year. Father Gino was especially loved by the children. He was the first Italian priest since Father Jani. Father Gino was born February 28, 1902, in San Giorgio de Perlena-Vicenza, Italy. He was ordained in 1930, in Saint James Cathedral in Rockford, Illinois and celebrated his fortieth anniversary of his ordination to the Sacred Priesthood in June of 1970, while a pastor at Immaculate Conception Parish.

During his four year stay, the following projects occurred: he supervised the reinforcement of the stones on the front of the church and bell tower, installed an electronic taped bell and carillon system, and appointed the first committee to establish a parish council which eventually led to an elected council in the fall of 1970. Father Gino left the parish in July of 1970.

The people of parish welcomed back Father McCarthy in August of 1970, when he returned to shepherd the parish family for a second term. At this time, due to increasing financial difficulties and at the request of Bishop Charles A. Salatka, Immaculate Conception School merged with Saint Mary and Saint Joseph School in 1971

to become the Dickinson Area Catholic School. At that time, the lower grades were housed in the Immaculate Conception building, while the upper grades were held at Saint Mary and Saint Joseph's building.

With the changes that came with the Second Vatican Council in 1962-1965, the interior of the church underwent more changes. The altar was moved so that the priest could now face the people



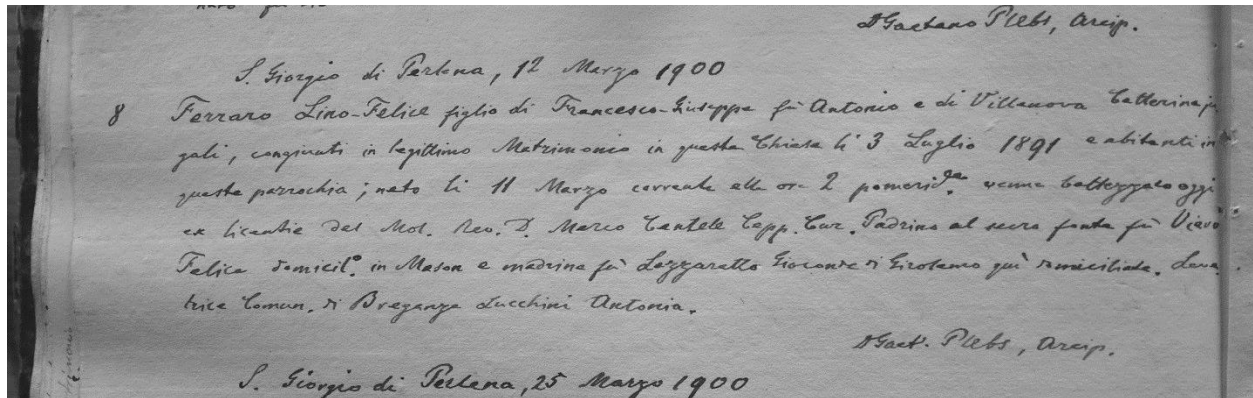
FATHER GINO S. FERRARO



Information about Fr. Gino Ferraro in a Publication from Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Iron Mountain MI

Lino Felice Ferraro (1900 - 1900)

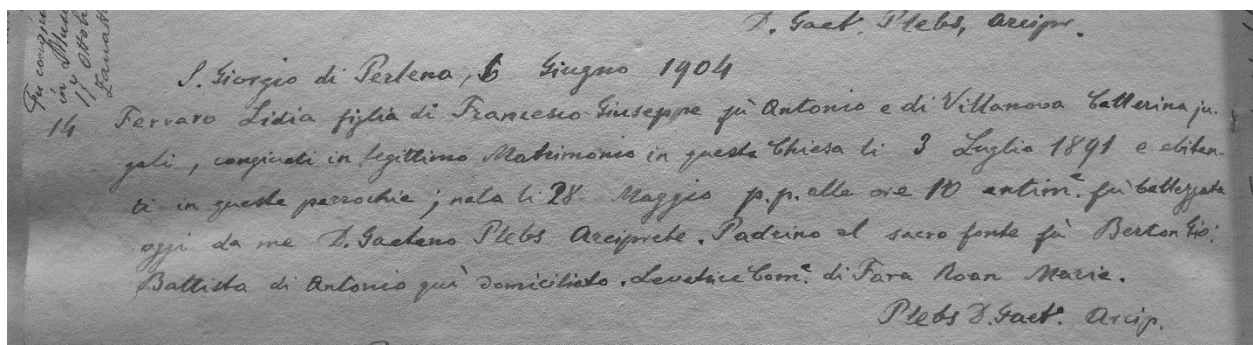
Lino Felice, son of Francesco and Catterina Ferraro was born on 11 Mar 1900 and died on 15 Mar 1900 in San Giorgio di Perlana, Vicenza, Italy.



Record from My Italian Family, LLC

Lidia/Livia Ferraro (1904 - 1918)

Lidia Ferraro, daughter of Francesco and Catterina Ferraro, was born in San Giorgio di Perlana, Vicenza, Italy, on 28 May 1904.



Record (above) and Research Notes (below) from My Italian Family, LLC

She was born at 10 a.m. Godfather was Gio Battista Berton son of Antonio from this parish.

It is said that Lidia died in 1918 in Italy during the 1918 flu pandemic.

Sabina Ferraro (1906 - 1918)

Sabina Ferraro, daughter of Francesco and Catterina Ferraro, was born in Italy in 1906.

Research Notes from My Italian Family, LLC:

"We can confirm that the three children (Sabina, Alfredo and Sereno) of Francesco Giuseppe Ferraro and Catterina Villanova were not born in Breganze. We believe they were born in another town after migrating from San Giorgio di Perlana between 1903 and 1906."

"Since Walter [*the researcher*] was not far from the town of Fara Vicentino (which covers the hamlet of San Giorgio di Perlana) he stopped by the town hall to try to uncover additional information such as birth registrations, side notations listing where they migrated to. However, the municipal archives of Fara Vicentino were devastated by a fire back in 1922; after the accident, the town hall officials went door to door to try and recreate the "anagrafe" i.e. census of the town. Unfortunately the Ferraro family had already migrated away in 1921 and no information was available on them."

Alfredo Ferraro (1910 - 1918)

Alfredo Ferraro, son of Francesco and Catterina Ferraro was born in Italy in 1910. It is said that Alfredo died in 1918 in Italy during the 1918 flu pandemic. [*See Research Notes from My Italian Family above for information on his place of birth.*]

Sereno Ferraro (1913 - 1970)

Sereno, son of Francesco and Catterina Ferraro, was born in Italy on 13 Dec 1913. *[See Research Notes from My Italian Family above – under Sabina Ferraro – for information on his birthplace.]*

Sereno arrived in the New York on 1 Nov 1920 from Genova *[Genoa]* on the *S.S. Regina d'Italia* with his parents, sister Linda, and brother Sebastiano *[Gino]*. They were to stay with brother Virginio Ferraro at 841 Shelto *[street name unknown to us]*, Rockford, Illinois.

Sereno is listed on the 1930 Federal Census as living with his mother Catherine at 1220 Green St., Rockford IL. He married Mary Fedeli, daughter of Andrew and Rose Fedeli, in about 1934 in Winnebago County, Illinois. At the 1940 Federal Census he was married with two children and lived at 1034 W. Jefferson St. in Rockford.

Sereno and Mary had 5 children: Dennis, Dorothy, Mary Kay, Carolyn, and Nancy. According to his brother Fr. Gino Ferraro, Sereno became a hydraulic engineer and later an executive at Sundstrand Company *[refrigeration on semi-trucks and trailers]* in Rockford, and that 2,000 people attended his funeral. He died on 25 Nov 1970 in Rockford, and is buried at Calvary Cemetery, 8616 W. State Rd., Winnebago, IL. *[Winnebago is just west of Rockford.]*



Sereno Ferraro in overcoat is fourth from left, Emma Ferraro in background,
Virginio Ferraro in white shirt, unknown woman,
Carlotta Ferraro and her daughter Florence Ferraro