

Christ Episcopal Church Cemetery Inventory

State and Water Streets, Dover DE 19903

Lot Number: 56 Space: H2

Find A Grave # 134032333

Name: **Zazzera, Edmund Peter**

Birth date: May 22, 1926 Death date: May 28, 1996 Burial Date: Age: 70
Born New York City, NY

Spouse: Thelma Louise *Finsen* Zazzera (1929-1990) m. July 28, 1951, NYC, NY

Children: Elena *Zazzera* Loscalso; Elisa Zazzera; Adam Zazzera

Parents: Able Zazzera and Emma Zazzera

Siblings:

Residence: Asharoken, NY

Cause of death/Burial/Obituary: aortic aneurism; cremains

Service/occupation information: Art teacher, creator of educational materials

Officiate:

Owner: Eyvind Finsen, F,G,H,I,J Perpetual care \$125 Oct. 26, 1951

Marker: Shared with wife

Inscription:

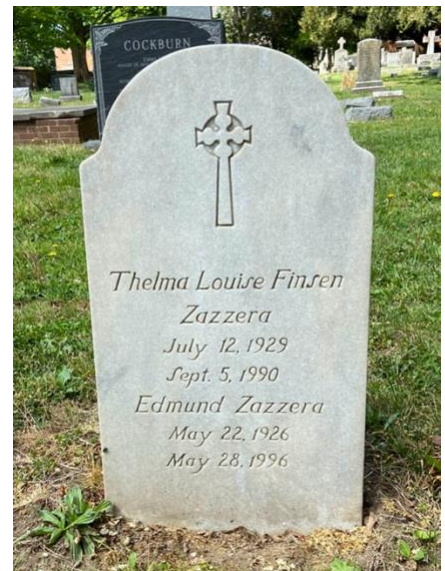
Thelma Louise Finsen
Zazzera
July 12, 1929
Sept. 5, 1990
Edmund Zazzera
May 22, 1926

May 28, 1996

DIMENSIONS: H 30" x W 16" x D 3"

STYLE: headstone; celtic cross above name

Cleaned 2021



Inventory date: February 12, 2020 Recorder: Nancy Quinn

OBITUARIES

Edmund Zazzera, 70, Asharoken Zoning Official

By Carl Corry

STAFF WRITER

Edmund Zazzera, who served for 28 years as chairman of the Asharoken Zoning Board of Appeals, lived by three self-guiding principles noted at the end of T. S. Elliot's "The Wasteland" in Hindu: "*Datta. Dayadhvam. Damyata.*" Translated: Give. Sympathize. Control.

He believed so strongly in their meaning that they were inscribed inside his wife's wedding band as a symbol of what their marriage was founded on.

"He was a mentor and role model to many. That's a basis of what I want to be like," said Mr. Zazzera's daughter Elisa of her father, who died Tuesday at Huntington Hospital after suffering an aortic aneurism. He was 70.

Born in Manhattan, Mr. Zazzera graduated from Benjamin Franklin High School there and served as a lieutenant from 1945 to 1946 in the U.S. Signal

Corps.

Mr. Zazzera then studied art at the Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, where he met the love of his life and future wife of 42 years, Thelma Finsen, who died in 1991.

After graduating from Pratt in 1951, Mr. Zazzera moved to Jackson Heights and taught art at Southside Senior High School in Rockville Centre. In 1956, he joined the former Education Development Laboratories of Greenlawn, a company that developed programs to teach reading, as an art director, and soon became vice president of the company until it was acquired by McGraw-Hill in 1966. He then became general manager of EDL/McGraw-Hill.

He moved to Syosset a few years after living in Jackson Heights and then to Asharoken in 1966. There, he spent his spare time working for the village's Zoning Board of Appeals.

In 1975, Mr. Zazzera became general manager of

the McGraw-Hill film division. In 1982, he founded McGraw-Hill Video Productions, where he produced programs on supervision training.

After retiring from McGraw-Hill in 1989, Mr. Zazzera started a career in computer programming, and had recently finished a CD-ROM called "The Magic Library," used to teach elementary schoolchildren to read. He had been working on a corporate training piece.

He is survived by a son, Adam of Northport; and another daughter, Elena of Huntington. Visiting will be today at Nolan and Taylor Funeral Home in Northport, from 2 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. and tomorrow from 2 to 6 p.m. Mr. Zazzera will be cremated and buried next to his wife at First Christ Church in Delaware.

Donations of platelets, whole blood or monetary donations may be given in Mr. Zazzera's honor to Visiting Nurse Service Hospice in Northport.

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