



## Honoree Nomination Form

The Italian Heritage Society of the Monterey Peninsula (IHS) is committed to preserving the Italian culture, traditions and way of life for today and in the future, for our children and for all to enjoy.

Each year, IHS honors individuals, mostly of Italian descent, who have met the following award criteria:

Nominee Criteria:

- Works and contributes to Monterey County through good works and deeds
- Sacrifices personal time to plan, assist with, promote and carry out charitable, educational, cultural activities
- Donates time, talent and/or treasure to improve the welfare of the county as a whole
- Promotes the Italian heritage way of life by giving back to the Italian-American Community
- Makes Monterey County a better place for ALL to live
- Lives by the IHS mission: "To honor, remember, embrace, preserve and keep alive the traditions and cultures of Italian-Americans"

To nominate a person to be considered for the IHS annual award, please complete the following questions. Please complete to the best of your abilities. Nominations will not be considered without the nominator's contact information. Self-nominations are accepted. If further information is needed, you will be contacted.

All nominations must be received by July 8h to be considered for the 2025 Honoree Dinner, to be held on Sunday, October 5, 2025, at the Monterey Marriott (please SAVE THE DATE). All other nominations will be held for future consideration. (Previous honorees are not eligible.)

With questions, please contact Annamarie Della Sala Stanton at (831.375.1598) or via email at [italianheritagesocietymonterey@gmail.com](mailto:italianheritagesocietymonterey@gmail.com)

Grazie!

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## Past Honorees

### 2023 Honorees

David Armanasco  
AnnaMarie Della Sala Stanton  
Paul Giamona  
Bill Perocchi

### 2024 Honorees

Florence Trigali Cavaliere  
Tom DiMaggio  
George M. Leonard  
Elaine Valentine

### 2022 Honorees

Teresa Aldisert Del Piere  
Frank Joseph Nuovo  
Kathleen "Kay" Russo  
Terry & Angela Mangiapane Wecker

### 2021 Honorees

Bart Bruno  
Marc Del Piere  
Al Nicora  
Sabu Shake, Jr.

### 2020 Honorees

Gasper Cardinale  
Anthony G. Davi, Sr.  
Julie Ann Lozano  
Mary Arancio Manuguerra

### 2019 Honorees

Jim & Rosine Culcasi  
Nina Asaro Leavenworth  
John V. Narigi  
Chris Pullano Shake

### 2018 Honorees

Erasmo Aiello  
Marietta Marcuzzo Bain  
Ted Balestreri  
Rich Pepe

### 2017 Honorees

Dan Albert, Sr.  
Joe Cardinale  
Jane Anastasi Gasperson  
Bob Massaro

### 2016 Honorees

Gus Aiello  
Very Rev. Peter Crivello  
Anita Ferrante  
Vito Spadaro

### 2015 Honorees

Chuck Della Sala  
Roseann Cardinale Orlebeck  
Luke Phillips  
Mike Ventimiglia

### 2014 Honorees

John T. Cardinali  
Mike Marotta, Jr.  
David Marzetti  
Mary Alice Cerrito Fettis

### 2013 Honorees

Frank & Michael Bruno  
Mary Benech  
Jeff Davi  
Joseph LoManto

### 2012 Honorees

Judge Nat Agliano  
Bert Cutino  
Frank Crivello  
Shirely Lavarato

### 2011 Honorees

Salvatore P. Cardinale  
Sebastian (Buster) Crivello  
Gary Cursio

### 2010 Honorees

Nancy Ausonio  
Charlie Della Sala  
Eddie Leonard Family

### 2008 Honorees

Theresa Canepa  
Frank Brogna (posthumously)  
James A. Russo  
Shake Family

### 2007 Honorees

Mike Marotta, Sr.  
Emilio Rossi  
Lina D'Aquanno  
Josephine Favazza

2006 Honorees

Bruna Odella

Katherine (Kitty) Ragsdale

Nick Ventimiglia

Nick Lombardo (posthumously)

2004 Honoree

Leon Panetta

2002 Honoree

Peter J. Coniglio