

MY WISH

Dear Sons, Daughters, and Grandchildren,

Remember that your life in Canada is due to my merit. Coming to Canada was not a choice but a need. It was a need to develop a better future for you. I hope that the fruits of my labour and the sacrifices and the humiliations I sustained, has made it easier for you to pursue your dreams. Dreams that I had to set aside and prioritize, in order to survive as an immigrant in this great country of Canada.

Dear children and grandchildren, despite all the difficulties as a new immigrant living in a foreign country, one thing that I never hid was the fact of being a proud Italian and **Alpino**. You surely have witnessed how I have lived my life. You have seen the respect that I showed towards the Italian and Canadian flags. Towards institutions, and individuals who have made history for the good of all, the soldiers. Above all, you have observed my participation as an enthusiastic, proud Alpino in all the events that exemplified culture and history.

As time passes, and as a proud established Italian Canadian like you, when I look at my **Alpino Hat**, that I no longer wear as often as I would like or used to, I often wonder what will come of it when I am gone. What will happen to the "**Alpini**", the symbols and traditions? Who will carry on the torch? All this makes me sad. I feel that my mission as an Alpino is not over yet. I'm sure that in addition to my genetic DNA, I have also transmitted my feelings of what is to be an **Alpino**.

I turn to you my dear children and grandchildren, that as one of my last wishes, you carry on the Alpini name and traditions. Please get involved with the **Alpini DNA Project**.

Remember the many sacrifices I made to give you a future here in Canada. Remember my commitment to my Alpini roots. Please carry on my dream. No matter at what level you get involved, just remember that you will always be the sons, daughters and grandchildren of a proud Italian Canadian and **Alpino**.



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Your loving father/nonno,

DNA Alpino forever