

# From Scafati to Acerra to Chicago: The Ancestors of Antonio Brasile

## A Narrative Lineage

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Life in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy was hard, but it could have been harder, many were able to escape the life of tenant farmers and work in the factories. In the 1500s Scafati, with the Sarno river that emptied into the Bay of Naples, was ideally located for trade and manufacturing.<sup>1</sup> But in 1659, Alfonso Piccolomini, baron of Scafati, blocked part of the Sarno causing it to flood farmlands and infest the area with malaria.<sup>2</sup> Scafati's population was decimated.<sup>3</sup>

Two things caused Scafati to grow once again. First, Napoleon conquered most of Italy by 1799, and in 1806 he banned trade with England, who in turn banned trade with France and her allies and announced their intention to seize any vessel trading "to or from said countries..."<sup>4</sup> Since Naples could no longer ship its goods to the world, it turned to trading with the inland communities, and the Sarno was a fast way to move merchandise.<sup>5</sup> The second thing that caused Scafati to grow was cotton.<sup>6</sup>

"Except for the volcanic region around Naples, farming in southern Italy is exceedingly difficult because limestone forms the basement rock and the soil is generally quite poor. But the region around Naples, which includes Mount Vesuvius, is very rich mainly because of two large eruptions...Every square foot of this rich soil is used. For example, even a small vineyard will have, in addition to grapes and spring beans on the trellises, fava beans, cauliflower and onions

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<sup>1</sup> Vittorio Cimmelli, *Storia di Scafati e di S. Pietro Suo Villaggio*, a cura di Angelo Pesce, (Scafati: Biblioteca Comunale di Scafati, 1997), "Storia," *Comune di Scafati Provincia di Salerno* (<https://www.comune.scafati.sa.it/index.php?action=index&p=76> : accessed 8 September 2021), Conosci la Città > Storia, an excerpt of [History of Scafati and of San Pietro his village] by Vittorio Cimmelli, edited by Angelo Pesce, published by the Scafati Municipal Library.

<sup>2</sup> Bartolo Longo, *La Civiltà e la Religione nella Feste della Nuova Pompei* (Pompeii: Scuola Tipografica, 1888), p. 14, quoted by Ingrid D. Rowland, *From Pompeii: The Afterlife of a Roman Town*, (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 24 March 2014), p. 193.

<sup>3</sup> Ibid.

<sup>4</sup> "Prelude to the War of 1812: Entanglement in World Affairs," copyright 2000, *The Mariners Museum* (<https://marinersmuseum.org/sites/micro/usnavy/index.html> : accessed 9 September 2021), Learn > Birth of the Navy > Prelude to the War of 1812 > Entanglement in World Affairs, Berlin Decree and Orders in Council.

<sup>5</sup> *Comune di Scafati*, "Storia."

<sup>6</sup> F. Morlicchio, *Coltivazione ed Industria del Cotone in Quel di Scafati*, (Salerno: Tipografia Migliaccio, 1864), p. 7; digital images, *Google Books*, (<https://books.google.com/books?id=DW6mDL9UOhMC&pg=PA5&dq=Coltivazione+ed+Industria+del+Cotone+in+Quel+di+Scafati> : accessed 9 September 2021).

between the trellis rows, and the vineyard margin rimmed with orange and lemon trees, herbs, and flowers. It also is a huge tomato growing region.”<sup>7</sup>

Because of that rich soil, cotton was a main crop in Scafati since ancient times.<sup>8</sup> At the end of February, the farmers would prepare the soil with a hoe and fertilize it with a cover crop of broad beans, lupins, or clover; or with manure, dung, and urine; or street sweepings; or silt and grasses from ditches and the Sarno river.<sup>9</sup> The soil was prepared with hoes as the soil was loose making a plow unnecessary and not worth the expense of keeping a plow animal.<sup>10</sup> Harvest ran from September to the end of November and the women and children would collect the cotton balls.<sup>11</sup> Because of this production and the waterway, many factories were built in Scafati, including large yarn and fabric factories, and it became one of the main cities for the cotton industry and for trade.<sup>12</sup> In 1822 Scafati had a population of about 2,400.<sup>13</sup> A large textile factory opened in 1824 and employed about 800 men, women, and children.<sup>14</sup>

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<sup>7</sup> Richard V. Fisher, “Soils from Volcanoes,” copyright 1999, *The Volcano Information Center, University of California at Santa Barbara, Department of Geological Sciences* (<https://volcanology.geol.ucsb.edu/soil.htm> : accessed 9 September 2021), Beneficial Aspects > Volcanic Soils > Soils from Volcanoes.

<sup>8</sup> Morlicchio, *Coltivazione ed Industria del Cotone*, p. 7.

<sup>9</sup> Ibid.

<sup>10</sup> Ibid., p. 8.

<sup>11</sup> Ibid, p. 10.

<sup>12</sup> Ibid, p. 5.

<sup>13</sup> *The Edinburgh Gazetteer*, (Edinburgh: A. Constable and Company, 1822), p. 462, entry for Scafati; digital images, *Google Books*, (<https://books.google.com/books?id=L65TVtRkIesC&pg=PP13&dq=the+edinburgh+gazetteer> : accessed 9 September 2021).

<sup>14</sup> Morlicchio, *Coltivazione ed Industria del Cotone*, p. 14.

# First Generation

1. **GIOVANNI BRASILE** was born probably between 1762 and 1772 in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, and died on 24 June 1844 in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy.<sup>15</sup> He was married first to **MARIA CASILLO** probably between 1779 and 1884 in Boscoreale, Naples, Campania, Italy as the marriage traditionally took place in the bride's hometown.<sup>16</sup> She was probably born between 1767 and 1773 in Boscoreale, Naples,

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<sup>15</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5972 degli Atti di Morti, 1844," record 91, death of Giovanni Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-L9PH-B3WC> : accessed 9 September 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949 > Scafati > Morti 1844 (Registro 5972), image 107 of 219; Salerno State Archives, Italy. Giovanni Brasile was listed as age seventy-six when he died, putting his birth around 1768. Italian civil vital records began around 1810 and the 1810 birth record for Ignatio Nicola Brasile, son of Giovanni Brasile, stated his father was age forty-eight, putting Giovanni's birth around 1762. Two years later on his daughter Anella's birth record, Giovanni was age forty, putting his birth around 1772. See Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5928 degli Atti di Nati, 1810," record 117, birth of Ignatio Nicola Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-L9P9-1ZJ3> : accessed 10 September 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949 > Scafati > Nati 1810 (Registro 5928), image 120 of 196; Salerno State Archives, Italy. Also, Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5930 degli Atti di Nati, 1812," record 125, birth of Anella Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QSQ-G9P9-19F1> : accessed 11 September 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949 > Scafati > Nati 1812 (Registro 5930), image 128 of 164; Salerno State Archives, Italy. Note: Information about births, marriages, and deaths prior to 1810 were kept by the church. Santa Maria delle Verginia in Scafati reported their records are kept at the Archivio Storico Diocesano in Nola which did not respond to requests for information.

<sup>16</sup> Giovanni Brasile and Maria Casillo were probably married a year before their son Erasmo Brasile was born between 1780 and 1784. See Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5931 degli Atti di Morti, 1814," record 249, death of Angela Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89P9-Y5RX> : accessed 4 October 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949 > Scafati > Morti 1813-1814 (Registro 5931, suppl. 2), image 64 of 90; Salerno State Archives, Italy. Erasmo Brasile was age thirty-four when his daughter Angela Brasile died, putting his birth around 1780. Also, Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5934 degli Atti di Nati, 1818," record 93, birth of Gaetano Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89P9-YLCR> : accessed 4 October 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949 > Scafati > Nati 1818 (Registro 5934), image 96 of 211; Salerno State Archives, Italy. Erasmo Brasile was age thirty-four when his son Gaetano was born, putting Erasmo's birth around 1784. Between Giovanni Brasile and Maria Casillo's beliefs as Catholics and the unavailability of reliable birth control, there was usually a child born about a year after a marriage at this time and in this place. Maria Casillo was about fifty-three when she died, putting her birth around 1767, so she and Giovanni could have married as early as 1782 when Maria was about fifteen to early 1884 before Erasmo was born. See Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5935 degli Atti di Morti, 1820," record 103, death of Maria Casciello [name is Casillo in the index]; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89PC-QJLV> : accessed 9 September 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949 > Scafati > Morti 1820 (Registro 5935), image 106 of 131; Salerno State Archives, Italy. The death record listed her parents' names. There were two churches that existed at that time in Boscoreale—Sant'Anna Ai Pellegrini and Immacolata Concezione. Neither of them responded to requests for information, which is not unusual.

Campania, Italy, the daughter of Aniello Casillo and Petronilla Paduano, and she died on 28 October 1820 in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy.<sup>17</sup> Giovanni Brasile married second **ANGIOLA GRABRIELLO**.<sup>18</sup> She was probably born about 1762 in Boscoreale, Naples, Campania, Italy, the daughter of Domenico Grabriello, and died on 28 July 1842 in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy.<sup>19</sup> There was no evidence that Giovanni and Angiola had any children together.

During Giovanni's life, he'd seen Vesuvius erupt twenty-seven times and had probably heard of the destruction to the east, west, and north of the volcano's base.<sup>20</sup> But while earthquakes and ashfall were not uncommon in Scafati, the town had not sustained significant damage.<sup>21</sup> Still, the population probably saw the eruptions from the volcano which was only seven miles away.<sup>22</sup>

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<sup>17</sup> Ibid. Maria Casillo was listed as being born in Bosco around 1867. Bosco is short for Boscoreale as evidenced by her father's death record. See Boscoreale, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro 2452 degli Atti di Morti, 1814," record 104, death of Aniello Casillo; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1865," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9T4-WQ9J-W> : accessed 9 September 2021), Italia, Napoli, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1865 > Napoli > Boscoreale > Morti 1814 (Registro 2452), image 48 of 135; Naples State Archives, Italy. Aniello Casillo died on 23 July 1824 in Bosco Reale [*sic*]. Also, Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1812," record 125, birth of Anella Brasile. The mother, Maria Casillo, was listed as age thirty-nine, putting her birth around 1773. Maria's age was not given on Ignazio Nicola's 1810 birth record. See Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1810," record 117, birth of Ignazio Nicola Brasile.

<sup>18</sup> No marriage record was located in Boscoreale or Scafati for Giovanni Brasile and Angiola Grabriello, but her death record said she was the wife of Giovanni Brasile. See Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5967 degli Atti di Morti, 1842," record 106, death of Angiola Grabriello; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QSO-G9PH-Y87Y> : accessed 2 October 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949 > Scafati > Morti 1842 (Registro 5967), image 119 of 180; Salerno State Archives, Italy.

<sup>19</sup> Ibid. The death record listed her father but the place where her mother's name should have been listed was blank.

<sup>20</sup> Roberto Scandone, "Activity of Vesuvio between 1631 and 1944," *Boris Behncke's Volcano Pages hosted by Michigan Tech, Geological and Mining Engineering and Sciences*, copyright 1993, ([http://www.geo.mtu.edu/volcanoes/boris/mirror/mirrored\\_html/VESUVIO\\_1631-1944.html](http://www.geo.mtu.edu/volcanoes/boris/mirror/mirrored_html/VESUVIO_1631-1944.html) : accessed 9 September 2021), Contents of Boris Behncke's Volcano Pages > Vesuvio Decade Volcano > The 1631-1944 eruptive cycle (list); there is no link from the Michigan Tech home page to Boris Behncke's page. Giovanni Brasile was about eleven years old when Vesuvius erupted on 29 July 1779 causing serious damage to several towns. While the eruption in 1787 was mild, the Romitorio dei Padri Basiliani [a hermitage] was destroyed by lava. In June and July 1794 the towns of San Giuseppe, Ottaviano, and Somma were completely destroyed. On 22 November 1804, there was extensive damage at Torre del Greco which was hit again in October 1805 and June 1806. In November 1822, there was another major eruption, but no serious damage was reported.

<sup>21</sup> Ibid.

<sup>22</sup> William Hamilton, "An Account of an Eruption of Mount Vesuvius, Which Happened in August, 1779. In a Letter from Sir William Hamilton, K.B.F.R.S. to Joseph Banks, Esq. P.R.S.," *Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society of London*, vol. 70 (1780), p. 64, digital images, *JSTOR*, (<https://www.jstor.org/stable/106368?seq=23> : accessed 9 September 2021). Hamilton observed the eruption from the palace at Posillipo which was twelve miles away from Vesuvius. If it could be seen twelve miles to the north, it probably could be seen from Scafati which was seven miles to the south.

Neither of Giovanni's wives' names was listed on his 1844 death record, and unfortunately, even though the Brasile family of Scafati was small, there were two Giovanni Brasiles having children around that time.<sup>23</sup> The correct Giovanni Brasile was identified in the 1853 Scafati marriage documents for Maria Brasile, the daughter of Mario Brasile and Angela Rosa di Martino.<sup>24</sup> Maria Brasile's marriage papers contained the death record for her father, Mario Brasile, the son of Giovanni Brasile and Maria Casillo.<sup>25</sup> The following document was the aforementioned 1844 death record for her grandfather, Giovanni Brasile.<sup>26</sup> Maria Brasile needed permission from her father to marry. In her marriage documents, she provided her father's death record to prove that he was deceased and unable to grant permission. That responsibility then passed to her paternal grandfather, and she had to prove that he was deceased and unable to grant permission, which was why his death record was also in the marriage documents. So Giovanni Brasile who died in 1844 and Giovanni Brasile married to Maria Casillo were probably the same person.

Aniello Brasile, age sixty, a faengala, and brother of the deceased, was an informant on the 1844 death record for Giovanni Brasile.<sup>27</sup> And on the 1842 death record of Angiola Gabriello, wife of Giovanni Brasile, Aniello, age sixty, a faengale, was listed as the brother-in-law of the deceased.<sup>28</sup>

- While the informant, Aniello Brasile, did not age between the 1842 death of Angiola Grabiello and the 1844 death of Giovanni Brasile, it was still the same individual as there were no other Aniello Brasiles in the Scafati records at this time who was about the same age.
- Giovanni Brasile who died in 1844 was

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<sup>23</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1844," record 91, death of Giovanni Brasile.

<sup>24</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5989 degli Matrimoni, Processetti, 1853," record copy of 1830 Scafati birth record for Maria Brasile imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9PV-VHRR> : accessed 10 September 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949 > Scafati > Matrimoni, processetti 1853 (Registro 5989), image 228 of 915; Salerno State Archives, Italy. Matrimoni processetti, also known as allegati, were documents required for the marriage. They usually contained baptismal records for the bride and groom, sometimes birth records for the bride and groom, and sometimes death records of previous spouses, parents, and paternal grandfathers.

<sup>25</sup> Ibid., image 233 of 915, record copy of Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, 1831 death record 22 for Mario Brasile.

<sup>26</sup> Ibid., image 234 of 915, record copy of Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, 1844 death record 91 for Giovanni Brasile.

<sup>27</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1844," image 107 of 219, record 91, death of Giovanni Brasile.

<sup>28</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5967 degli Atti di Morti, 1842," image 119 of 180, record 106, death of Angiola Gabriello.

- the father of Mario Brasile
- the husband of Maria Casillo
- and the brother of Aniello Brasile.
- Angiola Gabriello was
  - the wife of Giovanni Brasile
  - and sister-in-law of Aniello Brasile.

Therefore, the Giovanni Brasile who was married to Maria Casillo was also the Giovanni Brasile married to Angiola Gabriello.

Both of Giovanni's wives were born in Boscoreale, Naples, Campania, Italy, which was about four and a half miles from Scafati. In the Middle Ages, Boscoreale failed to flourish and "was transformed into a vast wooded area called...Bosco di Scafati."<sup>29</sup> Three Benedictine monasteries were erected in the area and later it was the hunting reserve of the kings of Naples.<sup>30</sup> "In the sixteenth century the first rural houses were built in the Bosco Reale and extensive deforestation was carried out to make room for crops."<sup>31</sup> By the 17th Century, the population was about 1,000 and in 1789 it had 3,468 inhabitants, most of them tenant farmers or stonecutters.<sup>32</sup>



Italian Majolica vase decorated in Faenza style.  
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<https://www.nationaltrustcollections.org.uk/object/511375>

Giovanni was a faengala, a person who specialized in making maiolica which was tin-glazed earthenware pottery, and Maria Casillo was a spinner/thread maker.<sup>33</sup> Maiolica making seemed to have run in the family. Giovanni's brother Aniello was a

<sup>29</sup> Angelandrea Casale, Dr., "La Storia di Boscoreale," *Comune di Boscoreale: Terra della Pietra Lavica*, ([https://www.comune.boscoreale.na.it/pagina19640\\_la-storia-di-boscoreale.html](https://www.comune.boscoreale.na.it/pagina19640_la-storia-di-boscoreale.html) : accessed 9 September 2021), Città > La Storia > La Storia di Boscoreale. The page tells some of the history of Boscoreale.

<sup>30</sup> Ibid.

<sup>31</sup> Ibid.

<sup>32</sup> Ibid.

<sup>33</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1844," image 107 of 219, record 91, death of Giovanni Brasile. The record stated Giovanni Brasile was a faengale. Also, Cadea, "Munno and Vollaro," *Italgen*, discussion list, 26 May 2012, (<https://www.italiangenealogy.com/forum/topic?p=181721#p181721> : accessed 10 September 2021), Forum > Italian Language, Handwriting, Script–Translations > Munno and Vollaro. The post defined faenzaro as someone who makes maiolica ceramics. Also, Rebecca Wallis, "What are Maiolica and Majolica?," *National Trust, United Kingdom*, (<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/features/what-are-maiolica-and-majolica> : accessed 10 September 2021), there is no path to the article from the homepage. The modern Italian alphabet does not have the letter *j*, but in early handwriting *j* and *i* were used interchangeably. See "Italian Handwriting," *FamilySearch* ([https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Italy\\_Handwriting](https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Italy_Handwriting) : accessed 31 May 2022). See Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1820," image 106 of 13, record 103, death of Maria Casillo. The document listed her profession.

faengala.<sup>34</sup> Their father Gregorio was a faengala.<sup>35</sup> Aniello's son Gregorio and Giovanni's son Angelo were faengalas.<sup>36</sup> And Angelo's son Mario was a faengala.<sup>37</sup>

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<sup>34</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5979 degli Atti di Morti, 1848," record 36, death of Aniello Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89PH-BQ2C> : accessed 13 September 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949 > Scafati > Morti 1848 (Registro 5979), image 53 of 210; Salerno State Archives, Italy. Aniello Brasile, faengala, was the son of Gregorio Brasile, deceased, and Isabella Solvato, deceased.

<sup>35</sup> On Aniello Brasile's death record, his father Gregorio Brasile was listed as a landowner. On his daughter Vittoria Brasile's death record, Gregorio Brasile was listed as a faengala. See Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5978 degli Atti di Morti, 1847," record 86, death of Vittoria Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9PN-CSZ6-V> : accessed 13 September 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949 > Scafati > Morti 1847 (Registro 5978), image 98 of 175; Salerno State Archives, Italy. Vittoria Brasile was listed as the daughter of Gregorio Brasile, deceased, and Isabella Salvati, deceased.

<sup>36</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1868," record 226, death of Gregorio Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7BS9-SF> : accessed 13 September 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Morti 1868, images 138–139 of 179; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy. See Proof of Parentage 1 for Gregorio Brasile. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1861" record 381, death of Angelo Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7B9X-TC> : accessed 11 September 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Morti 1861, image 192 of 215; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>37</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1913," record 14, marriage record for Mario Brasile and Gaetana Gallo; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7B3W-D4> : accessed 26 March 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Matrimoni 1913, image 8 of 102; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy. The record stated Mario Brasile, a faenzaro, was the son of Angelo Brasile, deceased, and Raffaella Matrona, deceased.

## Proof of Parentage 1

### Gregorio Brasile

#### Generation 2, Son of Aniello Brasile (the Brother of Giovanni Brasile) and Francesca di Felice

According to his death record, Gregorio Brasile, profession faenzaro, was born around 1793 in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, the son of Aniello Brasile and Francesca Siracusa, and he was the husband of Agata Fucetola.<sup>38</sup> His mother's name was actually Francesca di Felice. Aniello Brasile and his wife, Francesca di Felice, appeared before a notary in Scafati on 11 November 1832 to grant permission for their son, Gregorio Brasile, age twenty-seven, a weaver born in Scafati now living in Capua, Caserta, Campania, Italy to marry Agata Fucetola, who was born in Capua and was living in Capua.<sup>39</sup> Also included in the marriage documents was a notice from the priest of the Santa Maria delle Vergini church in Scafati reporting on the baptism of Gregorio, the legitimate son of Agnello [the Latin version of Aniello] Brasile and Francesca de Felice.<sup>40</sup> Finally, Gregorio Brasile, age twenty-seven, a weaver born in Scafati and living in Capua, the son of Agnello and Francesca di Felice, married Agata Fucetola on 24 December 1832 in Capua, Caserta, Campania, Italy.<sup>41</sup>

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<sup>38</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1868," images 138–139 of 179, record 226, death of Gregorio Brasile.

<sup>39</sup> Capua, Caserta, Campania, Italy, "Registro 3.180 degli Matrimoni, Processetti, 1832," permission for Gregorio Brasile to marry granted by parents before notary; imaged in "Italia, Caserta Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809–1866," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CSDM-R9YY-M> : accessed 26 March 2022), Italia, Caserta Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809–1866 > Caserta > Capua > Matrimoni, processetti 1832 (Registro 3.180, cont.), image 81 of 434; Caserta State Archives, Italy.

<sup>40</sup> *Ibid.*, image 80 of 434, record copy of baptism record for Gregorio Brasile.

<sup>41</sup> Capua, Caserta, Campania, Italy, "Registro 3.7098 degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1832," record 47, marriage record for Gregorio Brasile and Agata Fucetola; imaged in "Italia, Caserta Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809–1866," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS72-HQJM-S> : accessed 28 March 2022), Italia, Caserta Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809–1866 > Caserta > Capua > Matrimoni 1832 (Registro 3.7098), image 50 of 52; Caserta State Archives, Italy.



The known children of Giovanni Brasile and Maria Casillo were:

- i. ERASMO BRASILE was born probably between 1780 and 1784 probably in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy.<sup>42</sup> He probably married Maria Giuseppa Ammora before 1810.<sup>43</sup> She was born about 1789.<sup>44</sup>
- ii. MARIA ROSA BRASILE was born about 1 January 1794 in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, and died on 17 March 1844 in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy.<sup>45</sup> She married Antonio Esposito Fontana on 6 February 1812 in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy.<sup>46</sup> He was a foundling born about March 1791 in Naples, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 15 May 1845 in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy.<sup>47</sup>
- iii. MARIA LUIGIA BRASILE was born about 1796 probably in Scafati, Salerno,

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<sup>42</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5931 degli Atti di Morti, 1814," image 64 of 90, record 249, death of Angela Brasile. Also, Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5934 degli Atti di Nati, 1818," image 96 of 211, record 93, birth of Gaetano Brasile. As discussed earlier, the death record of Angela Brasile and the birth record of Gaetano Brasile put their father's birth between 1780 and 1784, which was supported by the birth and death records of his other children. See Proof of Parentage 2 for Erasmo Brasile.

<sup>43</sup> Erasmo Brasile and Maria Giuseppa Ammora's first known child was born around 1810. See Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5931 degli Atti di Morti, 1814," image 64 of 90, record 249, death of Angela Brasile. Angela Brasile was listed as four years old when she died. Again, given the stigma of premarital sex and the lack of reliable birth control, the marriage probably occurred the year before the first child's birth. The children's birth records usually note the marital status of the parents. Gaetano Brasile's birth was reported by Erasmo Brasile who named the mother, "Giuseppa Ammora sua moglie legittima..." [Giuseppa Ammora his legitimate wife...] See Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5934 degli Atti di Nati, 1818," image 96 of 211, record 93, birth of Gaetano Brasile.

<sup>44</sup> Ibid. Giuseppa Ammora was about twenty-nine years old when Gaetano was born in 1818 putting her birth around 1789. Also, Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5930 degli Atti di Nati 1812," record 95, birth of Francesca Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QSQ-G9P9-19XD> : accessed 26 March 2022), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949 > Scafati > Nati 1812 (Registro 5930), image 98 of 164; Salerno State Archives, Italy. Giuseppa Ammora was twenty-two years old when her daughter Francesca Brasile was born in 1812, putting Giuseppa's birth around 1790.

<sup>45</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5930 degli Matrimoni, Processetti, 1812," record copy of baptism record for Maria Rosa Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QSQ-L9P9-14YW> : accessed 11 September 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949 > Scafati > Matrimoni, processetti 1812 (Registro 5930), image 49 of 339; Salerno State Archives, Italy. Also, Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5972 degli Atti di Morti, 1844," record 35, death of Rosa Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QSQ-L9PH-B37M> : accessed 26 March 2022), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949 > Scafati > Morti 1844 (Registro 5972), image 51 of 219; Salerno State Archives, Italy.

<sup>46</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5930 degli Matrimoni, Processetti, 1812," image 52 of 339, notification of promise of marriage to be celebrated by Antonio Esposito Fontana and Maria Rosa Brasile.

<sup>47</sup> Ibid., image 48 of 187, record copy of baptism record for Antonio Esposito. Also, Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5973 degli Atti di Morti, 1845," record 37, death of Antonio Fontana; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9PN-Z3PF> : accessed 10 September 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949 > Scafati > Morti 1845 (Registro 5973), image 47 of 142; Salerno State Archives, Italy.

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Campania, Italy.<sup>48</sup> She married Tommaso Amatrano on 29 January 1818 at the Santa Maria delle Vergini church in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy.<sup>49</sup> He was born about 1788 probably in or near Boscotrecase, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>50</sup>

- iv. PETRONILLA ANELLA BRASILE was born about 1798 probably in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy.<sup>51</sup> She married Antonio Luigi Ilarione Gargiulo on 30 January 1819 at the Santa Maria delle Vergini church in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy.<sup>52</sup> He was probably born about 1 October 1796 in Gragnano, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>53</sup>
- v. MARIO BRASILE was born about 15 April 1803 in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, and died on 25 January 1831 in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy.<sup>54</sup> He married Mariantonia, also known as Angela Rosa, di

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<sup>48</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5933 degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1818," record 8, marriage record for Tommaso Amatrano and Maria Luigia Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89P9-17W5> : accessed 10 September 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949 > Scafati > Matrimoni 1818 (Registro 5933), image 18 of 75; Salerno State Archives, Italy. The record stated Maria Luigia Brasile, daughter of Giovanni Brasile and Maria Casillo, was age twenty-two putting her birth about 1796.

<sup>49</sup> Ibid. Information about the church was written in the margin.

<sup>50</sup> Ibid. The record listed Tommaso Amatrano as age thirty and both parties were living in Boscotrecasa at the time.

<sup>51</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5934 degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1819," record 16, marriage record for Antonio Luigi Ilarione Gargiulo and Petronilla Anella Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89P9-Y2CD> : accessed 10 September 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949 > Scafati > Matrimoni 1819 (Registro 5934), image 32 of 107; Salerno State Archives, Italy. The record stated Petronilla Anella Brasile, daughter of Giovanni Brasile and Maria Casillo, was age twenty-one putting her birth about 1798. There was no baptismal record for her in the matrimoni, processetti.

<sup>52</sup> Ibid. Information about the church was written in the margin.

<sup>53</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5934 degli Matrimoni, Processetti, 1819," record copy of baptism record for Antonio Luigi Ilarione Gargiulo; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89P9-YPRH> : accessed 26 March 2022), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949 > Scafati > Matrimoni, processetti 1819 (Registro 5934), image 234 of 336, Salerno State Archives, Italy..

<sup>54</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5948 degli Matrimoni, Processetti, 1830," record copy of baptism record for Mario Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-L9PH-BY4> : accessed 26 March 2022), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949 > Scafati > Matrimoni, processetti 1830 (Registro 5948), image 752 of 817; Salerno State Archives, Italy. Also, Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5949 degli di Morti, 1831," record 22, death of Mario Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-L9PC-QNGT> : accessed 17 September 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949 > Scafati > Morti 1831 (Registro 5949), image 35 of 150; Salerno State Archives, Italy. The death record said Mario Brasile was the husband of Angela Rosa di Martino; the marriage record said her name was Mariantonia di Martino. See Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5947 degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1830," record 9, marriage record of Mario Brasile and Mariantonia di Martino; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QSQ-G9PC-QHWD> : accessed 10 September 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949 > Scafati > Matrimoni 1830 (Registro 5947), image 43 of 247; Salerno State Archives, Italy.

- Martino on 6 February 1830 at the Santa Maria delle Vergini church in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy.<sup>55</sup> She was born about 7 May 1804 in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy.<sup>56</sup>
- vi. DOMENICO BRASILE was born about 1805 probably in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy.<sup>57</sup>
  - + 2. vii. ANGELO BRASILE was born about 25 April 1808 in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, and died on 8 December 1861 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>58</sup> He married Raffaella Matrone on 1 August 1836 in Boscoreale, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>59</sup> She was born on 4 November 1812 in Boscoreale, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 2 June 1884 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>60</sup>
  - viii. IGNAZIO NICOLA BRASILE was born on 2 August 1810 in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, and died on 12 September 1831 in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy.<sup>61</sup>

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<sup>55</sup> Ibid.

<sup>56</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5948 degli Matrimoni, Processetti, 1830," image 753 of 817, record copy of baptism record for Maria Antonia Martino.

<sup>57</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5994 degli Atti di Morti, 1855," record 214, death of Antonio Formiagano; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9PN-CLSP> : accessed 6 October 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949 > Scafati > Morti 1855 (Registro 5994), image 228 of 254; Salerno State Archives, Italy. The informant was Domenico Brasile, age fifty, the uncle [actually great uncle as the mother, Santa Fontana, was the daughter of Domenico's sister, Maria Rosa Brasile] of the deceased. See Proof of Parentage 3 for Domenico Brasile.

<sup>58</sup> Boscoreale, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro 2662 degli Matrimoni, Processetti, 1836," record copy of baptism record for Angelo Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1865," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9TN-L33K> : accessed 11 September 2021), Italia, Napoli, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1865 > Napoli > Boscoreale > Matrimoni, processetti 1836 (Registro 2662), image 320 of 770; Naples State Archives, Italy. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1861," image 192 of 215, record 381, death of Angelo Brasile.

<sup>59</sup> Boscoreale, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro 2416 degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1836," record 30, marriage record for Angelo Brasile and Raffaella Matrone; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1865," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9T4-WOMB-N> : accessed 11 September 2021), Italia, Napoli, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1865 > Napoli > Boscoreale > Matrimoni 1836 (Registro 2416), image 61 of 136; Naples State Archives, Italy.

<sup>60</sup> Boscoreale, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro 2249 degli Atti di Nati, 1812," record 194, birth of Raffaella Matrone; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1865," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9T3-5RYN> : accessed 11 September 2021), Italia, Napoli, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1865 > Napoli > Boscoreale > Nati 1812 (Registro 2249), images 403–404 of 493; Naples State Archives, Italy. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1884," record 182, death of Raffaella Matrone; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7BSS-FH> : accessed 11 September 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Morti 1884, image 47 of 152; Naples State Archives, Italy.

<sup>61</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1810," image 120 of 196, record 117, birth of Ignazio Nicola Brasile. Also, Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5949 degli Atti di Morti, 1831," record 86, death of Ignazio Nicola Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-L9PC-ONG9> : accessed 26 March 2022), Italia,

- ix. ANELLA BRASILE was born on 21 September 1812 in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy.<sup>62</sup> She married Basilio Matrone on 21 January 1836 in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy.<sup>63</sup> Basilio Matrone was born on 25 October 1810 in Boscoreale, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>64</sup>

## Proof of Parentage 2

### Erasmus Brasile

### Generation 2, Son of Giovanni Brasile and Maria Casillo

There was no record that clearly stated Erasmo Brasile was the son of Giovanni Brasile and Maria Casillo. Fortunately, family members were often the informants on the death records, and the relationship was traced through those connections. Erasmo's son Paolo Brasile died in 1830 and the uncle of the deceased, Mario Brasile, age twenty-eight, a tailor, was one of the informants.<sup>65</sup> There were no other Mario Brasiles living in Scafati at this time; therefore Mario Brasile and Erasmo Brasile were brothers. Mario Brasile's 1831 death record stated he was the son of Giovanni Brasile and Maria Casillo.<sup>66</sup> Thus, it is most likely Erasmo Brasile was also the son of Giovanni Brasile and Maria Casillo.

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Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949 > Scafati > Morti 1831 (Registro 5949), image 99 of 150; Salerno State Archives, Italy.

<sup>62</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1812," image 128 of 164, record 125, birth of Anella Brasile.

<sup>63</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5957 degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1836," record 1, marriage of Basilio Matrone and Anella Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QSQ-G9PC-QHSM> : accessed 11 September 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949 > Scafati > Matrimoni 1836 (Registro 5957), image 11 of 311; Salerno State Archives, Italy.

<sup>64</sup> Boscoreale, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro 2246 degli Atti di Nati, 1810," record 124, birth of Basilio Matrone; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1865," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9T3-59KM-B> : accessed 11 September 2021), Italia, Napoli, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1865 > Napoli > Boscoreale > Nati 1810 (Registro 2246), image 124 of 189; Naples State Archives, Italy.

<sup>65</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5947 degli Atti di Morti, 1830," record 102, death of Paolo Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QSQ-G9PC-QQYF> : accessed 4 October 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949 > Scafati > Morti 1830 (Registro 5947), image 116 of 174; Salerno State Archives, Italy.

<sup>66</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5949 degli di Morti, 1831," image 35 of 150, record 22, death of Mario Brasile.

# Proof of Parentage 3

## Domenico Brasile

### Generation 2, Son of Giovanni Brasile and Maria Casillo

Again, little was known about Giovanni Brasile's son Domenico. He appeared on Mario Brasile's 1831 death record where Aniello Brasile, age sixty, profession faengala, uncle of the deceased, living at Regia Street, and Domenico Brasile, age twenty-six, profession weaver, living in the same village, provided the information about the deceased.<sup>67</sup> Domenico also showed up on Ignazio Nicola Brasile's 1831 death record where Domenico Brasile, age thirty, a weaver living on Regia Street, brother of the deceased, and Aniello Brasile, age sixty, profession faengala, living in the same village, provided the information about the deceased.<sup>68</sup> Since Nicola Brasile was the son of Giovanni Brasile and Maria Casillo and Domenico was his brother, and Domenico's estimated birth year would make him Giovanni and Maria's sixth of nine children, it is very likely that Domenico Brasile was the legitimate son of Giovanni Brasile and Maria Casillo. No evidence was found that Domenico married or had children.

There was another Domenico Brasile, about the same age, in Scafati. Domenico Lodovico Brasile was born about 15 November 1800, the son of Giovanni Brasile and Teresa Vollaro, who was a day laborer.<sup>69</sup> He married first Anella Langella on 25 January 1823 who died in 1825, and he married second Maria Rosa Magiano on 6 September 1826.<sup>70</sup> Domenico Brasile, the husband of Maria Rosa Magiano, and son of Giovanni Brasile and Teresa Vollaro, died on 9 July 1854.<sup>71</sup> Domenico Brasile the weaver was still alive in 1855 so could not be Domenico Brasile the son of Giovanni Brasile and Teresa Vollaro who died on 9 July 1854.<sup>72</sup>

<sup>67</sup> Ibid.

<sup>68</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5949 degli Atti di Morti, 1831," image 99 of 150, record 86, death of Ignazio Nicola Brasile.

<sup>69</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5942 degli Matrimoni, Processetti, 1826," record copy of baptism record for Domenico Ludovico Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-L9PC-QDJ8> : accessed 5 October 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949 > Scafati > Matrimoni, processetti 1826 (Registro 5942), image 196 of 298; Salerno State Archives. Also, Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5938 degli Atti di Matrimoni," record 11, marriage of Domenico Brasile and Anella Langella; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-99P9-YLNT> : accessed 5 October 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949 > Scafati > Matrimoni 1823 (Registro 5938), image 49 of 185; Salerno State Archives, Italy. Domenico Lodovico Brasile's profession was recorded in the marriage record.

<sup>70</sup> Ibid. Also, Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5941 degli Atti di Morti, 1825," record 44, death of Anella Langella; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89P9-YRP4> : 11 November 2017), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949 > Scafati > Morti 1825 (Registro 5941), image 59 of 196; Salerno State Archives, Italy. Also, Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5942 degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1826," record 18, marriage of Domenico Lodofrio Brasile and Maria Rosa Magiano; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-99PC-Q61B> : accessed 5 October 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949 > Scafati > Matrimoni 1826 (Registro 5942), image 75 of 87; Salerno State Archives, Italy.

<sup>71</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5992 degli Atti di Morti, 1854," record 70, death of Domenico Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9PN-C9SY-S> : accessed 5 October 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949 > Scafati > Morti 1854 (Registro 5992), image 84 of 260; Salerno State Archives, Italy.

<sup>72</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5994 degli Atti di Morti, 1855," image 228 of 254, record 214, death of Antonio Formiagano. The informant was Domenico Brasile, age fifty, a weaver, the uncle of the deceased [actually great uncle as Santa Fontana, mother of the deceased, was the daughter of Domenico's sister, Maria Rosa Brasile].

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**2. ANGELO BRASILE** was born about 25 April 1808 in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, and died on 8 December 1861 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>73</sup> He married **RAFFAELA MATRONE**, also known as Rachela on her children's birth records, on 1 August 1836 in Boscoreale, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>74</sup> She was born on 4 November 1812 in Boscoreale, Naples, Campania, Italy, the daughter of Domenico Matriona and Maria Salzano, and died on 2 June 1884 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>75</sup>

Raffaela was from the hometown of Angelo's mother and the marriage was probably arranged by his family when he had proved he was able to support a wife and children.<sup>76</sup> He was twenty-eight years old and she was twenty-four years old when they married which was typical of the time.<sup>77</sup>

Politically, Angelo's world was similar to his father's. Prior to 1796, Italy was composed of various states, kingdoms, and independent entities.<sup>78</sup> Napoleon conquered Northern Italy around 1796 and in 1805 united the area into the Kingdom of Italy.<sup>79</sup> The Kingdom of Naples was invaded by the French and defeated in 1806 and ruled by Napoleon's brother-in-law until he was deposed in 1815.<sup>80</sup> With Napoleon's defeat, Italy was once again divided and Scafati became part of the Kingdom of the Two Sicilies which consisted of Sicily and the southern part of the Italian peninsula.<sup>81</sup> Between 1820 and 1845, there were small rebellions throughout Italy in the hopes of creating a unified country, but they did not enjoy popular support and were quickly put down.<sup>82</sup>

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<sup>73</sup> Boscoreale, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro 2662 degli Matrimoni, Processetti, 1836," image 320 of 770, record copy of baptism record for Angelo Brasile. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1861," image 192 of 215, record 381, death of Angelo Brasile.

<sup>74</sup> Boscoreale, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro 2416 degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1836," image 61 of 136, record 30, marriage record for Angelo Brasile and Raffaela Matrone.

<sup>75</sup> Boscoreale, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro 2249 degli Atti di Nati, 1812," images 403–404 of 493, record 194, birth of Raffaela Matrone. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1884," image 47 of 152, record 182, death of Raffaela Matrone.

<sup>76</sup> Treavor Dean and K.J.P. Lowe, editors, *Marriage in Italy 1300 - 1650*, (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2002), p. 8. Also, Catherine Edwards, "How an Economic Miracle Transformed Love and Marriage in Post-War Italy," 14 June 2017, *The Local: Italy Edition* (<https://www.thelocal.it/?s=Marriage+in+Post-war+italy> : accessed 28 March 2022); no link from the homepage.

<sup>77</sup> There were more 15-year-old and 16-year-old girls getting married in Scafati than in Acerra around 1836, but age nineteen to twenty-five was more common in both towns; statistics compiled by the author by examining the age of the brides in the marriage records of Scafati and Acerra 1835–1837.

<sup>78</sup> David Gilmour, *The Pursuit of Italy: A History of a Land, Its Regions, and Their Peoples*, (New York: Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2011), pp. xvi and xvii map of Italy circa 1490. *Ibid.*, p. 138.

<sup>79</sup> Christopher Duggan, *The Force of Destiny: A History of Italy Since 1796*, (Boston: Houghton Mifflin Company, 2008), p. 3. Also, Gilmour, *Pursuit of Italy*, p. 132.

<sup>80</sup> *Ibid.*, pp. 132–135. Also, Duggan, *Force of Destiny*, p. 68.

<sup>81</sup> Gilmour, *Pursuit of Italy*, p. 138.

<sup>82</sup> *Ibid.*, pp. 155–164.

Angelo and Raffaella got married the summer before the 1837 cholera epidemic.<sup>83</sup> In 1837 there were almost three times as many deaths in Scafati as an average year, but none of Angelo's immediate family died in the epidemic.<sup>84</sup>

Economically, the world was changing for the Brasile family. While the family survived the epidemic, the time of maiolica and faengalas was coming to an end—porcelain had taken its place in popularity.<sup>85</sup> “Maiolica still dominated the production of ceramics for everyday use and devotional works (votive plaques, domestic holy water stoups) especially in southern and central areas. The istoriato style continued to enjoy considerable success in Castelli and Naples thanks to families of talented painters (Grue, Gentile, Cappelletti, Massa, Sallandra and Criscuolo).”<sup>86</sup>

Giovanni Brasile's nephew, Gregorio Brasile, left Scafati for Capua, Caserta, Campania, Italy around 1832.<sup>87</sup> Between 1842 and 1845 he moved his family to Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy probably to join his cousin Angelo Brasile, Giovanni's son, who had moved there between 1839 and 1840.<sup>88</sup> Why Acerra? They were probably looking for a

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<sup>83</sup> Boscoreale, Naples, Campania, Italy, “Registro 2416 degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1836,” image 61 of 136, record 30, marriage record for Angelo Brasile and Raffaella Matrone.

<sup>84</sup> Statistics compiled by the author by examining the number of deaths in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy for the years 1835–1838.

<sup>85</sup> Museo Internazionale delle Ceramiche, Faenza, Ravenna, Emilia-Romagna, Italy, “Italian Ceramics from the Seventeenth to the Nineteenth Century,” *Google Arts--Culture* (<https://artsandculture.google.com/story/mwXBqEQiw0JaLA> : accessed 9 October 2021), Places > A-Z > F > Faenza > Museo Internazionale delle Ceramiche > Online Exhibit Italian Ceramics from the Middle Age to the Present.

<sup>86</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>87</sup> Capua, Caserta, Campania, Italy, “Registro 3.180 degli Matrimoni, Processetti, 1832,” notification of promise of marriage to be celebrated by Gregorio Brasile and Agata Fucetola; imaged in “Italia, Caserta Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809–1866,” *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CSDM-RS9S-6> : accessed 26 March 2022), Italia, Caserta Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809–1866 > Caserta > Capua > Matrimoni, processetti 1832 (Registro 3.180, cont.), image 90 of 434; Caserta State Archives, Italy. The record stated that Gregorio Brasile, born in Scafati, was living in Capua, and he was working as a weaver.

<sup>88</sup> 1842 was the last year a known child of Gregorio Brasile and Agata Fucetola was born in Capua, Caserta, Campania, Italy. 1845 was the first year a known child of Gregorio Brasile and Agata Fucetola was born in Acerra, Naples, Italy, indicating the family moved sometime between the two births. See Capua, Caserta, Campania, Italy, “Registro 3.255 degli Atti di Nati, 1842,” record 389, birth of Salvatore Brasile, son of Gregorio Brasile and Agata Fucetola; imaged in “Italia, Caserta, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1866,” *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS3Q-C6T5-7> : accessed 12 October 2021), Italia, Caserta Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809–1866 > Caserta > Capua > Nati 1842 (Registro 3.255), images 399–400 of 406; State Archives of Caserta, Italy. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, “Registro 114.3337 degli Atti di Nati, 1845,” record 329, birth of Maria Brasile, daughter of Gregorio Brasile and Agata Fucetola; imaged in “Italia, Caserta, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1866,” *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS74-MSWZ-Z> : accessed 12 October 2021), Italia, Caserta Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809–1866 > Napoli > Acerra > Nati 1845 (Registro 114.3337), images 355–356 of 518; State Archives of Caserta, Italy. 1839 was the last year a known child of Angelo Brasile and Raffaella Matrone was born in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy. 1840 was the first year a known child of Angelo Brasile and Raffaella Matrone was born in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, indicating the family moved sometime between the two births. See Scafati, Salerno,

market for their maiolica. Acerra was a larger community than Scafati having 6,256 residents in 1830, and agriculture was its predominant industry.<sup>89</sup> While Angelo was listed as a maiolica maker on his marriage record and his son's 1839 Scafati birth record, by 1844 Angelo had given up on maiolica and was working as a farmhand in Acerra.<sup>90</sup> He apparently continued in that profession until his death.<sup>91</sup> Gregorio was listed as a maiolica maker on his 1868 Acerra death record.<sup>92</sup> Perhaps there were still family members making maiolica in Scafati, but Angelo's son Mario Brasile, who was a faengala as late as 1913, was listed as a worker when he died in 1920.<sup>93</sup>

The known children of Angelo Brasile and Raffaella Matrone were:

- i. MARIANTONIA BRASILE was born on 24 October 1837 in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, and died on 22 December 1913 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>94</sup> She married first Angelo Orazio Salvatore Manna on 7

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Campania, Italy, "Registro 5963 degli Atti di Nati, 1839," record 48, birth of Giovanni Brasile, son of Angelo Brasile and Raffaella Matrone; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS8W-M9YM-6> : accessed 12 October 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1949 > Scafati > Nati 1839 (Registro 5963), images 111–112 of 499; Salerno State Archives, Italy. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1840," record 309, birth of Ignazio Brasile, son of Angelo Brasile and Raffaella Matrone; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7BSS-ZV> : accessed 13 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati 1840, images 310–311 of 389; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>89</sup> *Encyclopaedia Britannica* Vol. 2 (1830), "Acerra," p. 92, second entry for Acerra; digital images, *Google Books* (<https://books.google.com/books?id=POTt9ybzO50C&pg=PP3&dq=encyclopaedia+britannica> : accessed 12 October 2021). Also, Duggan, *Force of Destiny*, p. 106.

<sup>90</sup> Boscoreale, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro 2416 degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1836," image 61 of 136, record 30, marriage record for Angelo Brasile and Raffaella Matrone. Also, Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5963 degli Atti di Nati, 1839," images 111–112 of 499, record 48, birth of Giovanni Brasile. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro 114.3336 degli Atti di Nati, 1844," images 86–87 of 445, record 62, birth of Maria Brasile. Angelo Brasile was listed as a farmhand on Maria Brasile's 1844 birth record.

<sup>91</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1861," image 192 of 215, record 381, death of Angelo Brasile. Angelo's profession was listed as a farmhand on his death record.

<sup>92</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1868," images 138–139 of 179, record 226, death of Gregorio Brasile.

<sup>93</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1913," record 14, marriage of Mario Brasile and Gaetana Gallo; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7B3W-D4> : accessed 12 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Matrimoni 1913, image 8 of 102; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1920," record 72, death of Mario Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-WN9L-F3> : accessed 12 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Morti 1920, image 19 of 133, Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>94</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro 5958 degli Atti di Nati, 1837," record 189, birth of Mariantonia Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QSQ-G9PC-Q4DX> : accessed 12 October 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949 > Scafati > Birth 1837 (Registro 5958), images 391–392 of 271; Salerno

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- August 1859 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>95</sup> Angelo Orazio Salvatore Manna was born on 5 June 1829 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 10 September 1862 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>96</sup> Mariantonina married second Francesco Sarnataro on 14 July 1863 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>97</sup> Francesco Sarnataro was born about October 1821 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 13 February 1890 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>98</sup>
- ii. GIOVANNI BRASILE was born on 20 February 1839 in Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy.<sup>99</sup>
  - iii. IGNAZIO BRASILE was born on 1 November 1840 in Acerra, Naples,

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State Archives, Italy. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1913," record 409, death of Maria Antonia Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7BSF-CS> : accessed 12 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Morti 1913, image 104 of 128; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>95</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro 114.9431 degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1859," record 55, marriage record of Angelo Orazio Salvatore Manna and Mariantonina Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Caserta, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1866," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-99PS-1LXW> : accessed 12 October 2021), Italia, Caserta, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1866 > Napoli > Acerra > Matrimoni 1859 (Registro 114.9431), image 77 of 131; Caserta State Archives, Italy.

<sup>96</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1829," record 166, birth of Angelo Orazio Salvatore Manna; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7RO9-7> : accessed 13 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati 1829, images 168–169 of 392; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1862," record 15, death of Angelo Manna; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7B32-93> : accessed 13 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Morti 1862, image 152 of 205; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>97</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro 114.9435 degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1863," record 42, marriage of Francesco Sarnataro and Mariantonina Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Caserta, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1866," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-99PS-1GN5> : accessed 13 October 2021), Italia, Caserta, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1866 > Napoli > Acerra > Matrimoni 1863 (Registro 114.9435), image 44 of 110; Caserta State Archives, Italy.

<sup>98</sup> Chiesa Cattolica, Parrocchia di Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Baptizatorum Liber Julius 1807–Maius 1828," folio 208 front, entry 3, baptism record for Francesco Sarnataro; imaged in "Registri Ecclesiastici di Acerra (Napoli), 1607-1900," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CSMB-6SWS-H> : accessed 13 October 2021), Film # 007786835, image 1777 of 2326; Parrocchia di Acerra, Naples, Italy. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1890," record 53, death of Francesco Sarnataro; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7B98-NW> : accessed 13 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Morti 1890, image 15 of 150; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>99</sup> Scafati, Salerno, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1839," record 48, birth of Giovanni Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS8W-M9YM-6> : accessed 14 October 2021), Italia, Salerno, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1806-1949 > Scafati > Nati 1839 (Registro 5963), image 111 of 499; Salerno State Archives, Italy.

Campania, Italy, and died after 1914.<sup>100</sup> He married Rosa Tanzillo on 27 January 1867 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>101</sup> Rosa Tanzillo was born on 14 February 1848 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 22 March 1914 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>102</sup>

- iv. TERESA BRASILE was born on 6 March 1842 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 21 February 1867 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>103</sup> She probably married Pasquale Riemma around 1865 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>104</sup> Pasquale Riemma was probably born about 1837 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>105</sup>

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<sup>100</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1840," record 309, birth of Ignazio Brasile. Ignazio Brasile was listed as still living on his wife's 1914 death record. See Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1914," record 84, death of Rosa Tanzillo; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7Y4S-J> : accessed 28 March 2022), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Morti 1914, image 22 of 118; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>101</sup> Chiesa Cattolica, Parrocchia di Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Matrimoniorum Liber 1865–1880," folio 14 front, entry 1, marriage of Ignazio Brasile and Rosa Tanzillo; imaged in "Registri Ecclesiastici di Acerra (Napoli), 1607-1900," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CSMB-M36S> : accessed 13 October 2021), Film # 007786837, image 1076 of 3789; Parrocchia di Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>102</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1848," record 39, birth of Rosa Tanzillo; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7B38-WW> : accessed 13 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati 1848, images 60–61 of 422; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>103</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro 114.3334 degli Atti di Nati, 1842," record 68, birth of Teresa Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Caserta, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1866," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS8P-N7DK-6> : accessed 13 October 2021), Italia, Caserta, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1866 > Napoli > Acerra > Nati 1842 (Registro 114.3334), images 100–101 of 409; Caserta State Archives, Italy. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1867," record 49, death of Teresa Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7RQK-X> : accessed 13 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Morti 1867, image 20 of 173; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>104</sup> *Ibid.* On her death record, Teresa Brasile was listed as the wife of Pasquale Riemma. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1866," record 291, death of Maria Teresa Riemma; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7TG9> : accessed 13 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Morti 1866, image 112 of 258; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy. Maria Teresa Riemma was the only known child of Pasquale Riemma and Teresa Brasile. Given the stigma of premarital sex and the lack of reliable birth control, the marriage probably occurred the year before the child's birth, probably in Acerra since that was where Pasquale Riemma and Teresa Brasile lived, but no record was found.

<sup>105</sup> Little is known about Pasquale Riemma. He was born about 1837 and married his second wife, Maddalena Marzullo, on 6 June 1867 in Acerra. Their child, Vincenzo Riemma, was born on 10 June 1869 (there having been a stillborn child in 1868) and then there were no birth, marriage, or death records found for Pasquale Riemma, Maddalena Marzullo, or any of their children in Acerra. See Chiesa Cattolica, Parrocchia di Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Matrimoniorum Liber 1865-1880," folio 16 front, entry 3, marriage of Pasquale Riemma, widower of Teresa Brasile, and Maddalena Marzullo; imaged in "Registri Ecclesiastici di Acerra (Napoli), 1607-1900," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CSMB-M3XS> : accessed 28 March 2022), Film # 007786837, image 1078 of 3789; Parrocchia di Acerra, Naples, Italy. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1869," record 241, birth of Vincenzo Riemma; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7T91-9> : accessed 13

- v. AMELIO BRASILE was born about 1843 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 9 July 1845 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>106</sup>
- vi. MARIA BRASILE was born on 11 February 1844 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>107</sup>
- vii. FILOMENA BRASILE was born on 20 November 1845 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 24 February 1924 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>108</sup> She married Luigi Toscano on 15 April 1871 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>109</sup> He was born on 2 March 1838 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 22 March 1909 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>110</sup>
- + 3. viii. MARIO BRASILE was born on 15 August 1848 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 22 February 1920 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>111</sup> He married first Teresa Sarnataro on 20 July 1873 in

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October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati 1869, image 115 of 288; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy. Pasquale Riemma was thirty-two years old when his son was born in 1869 putting his birth around 1837.

<sup>106</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1845," record 116, death of Amelio Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7Y32-W> : accessed 13 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Morti 1845, image 79 of 147; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy. The death record reported he was born in Acerra and age two at his death, but no birth record was found.

<sup>107</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro 114.3336 degli Atti di Nati, 1844," record 62, birth of Maria Brasile, daughter of Angelo Brasile and Raffaella Matrone; imaged in "Italia, Caserta, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1866," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS74-MSWS-D> : 12 October 2021), Italia, Caserta, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1866 > Napoli > Acerra > Nati 1844 (Registro 114.3336), images 86–87 of 445; State Archives of Caserta, Italy.

<sup>108</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro 114.3337 degli Atti di Nati, 1845," record 41, birth of Filomena Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Caserta, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1866," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS74-MS71-3> : accessed 28 March 2022), Italia, Caserta, Stato Civile (Archivio di Stato), 1809-1866 > Napoli > Acerra > Nati 1845 (Registro 114.3337), images 467–468 of 518; Caserta State Archives, Italy. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1924," record 43, death of Filomena Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7Y4X-Y> : accessed 14 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Morti 1924, image 12 of 113; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>109</sup> Marriage information was written in the margin of the second page of both Luigi Toscano and Filomena Brasile's birth records. See Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro 114.3337 degli Atti di Nati, 1845," images 467–468 of 518, record 41, birth of Filomena Brasile. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1838," record 39, birth of Luigi Toscano; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-WNXS-9> : accessed 14 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati 1838, images 40–41 of 358; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>110</sup> Ibid. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1909," record 184, death of Luigi Toscano; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7BSL-LC> : accessed 14 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Morti 1909, image 47 of 163; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>111</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1848," record 235, birth of Mario Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903>

Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>112</sup> She was born on 20 July 1850 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died between 1908 and 1913 probably in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>113</sup> Mario married second Gaetana di Gallo on 9 February 1913 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>114</sup> She was born on 7 August 1853 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 11 September 1926 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>115</sup>

- ix. CUONO VINCENZO BRASILE was born on 15 March 1852 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 22 December 1926 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois, United States (see Document 1).<sup>116</sup> He married Maddalena Renella on 12

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[/3:1:9396-7B3Z-5M](#) : accessed 28 March 2022), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati 1848, images 256–257 of 422; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1920," image 19 of 133, record 72, death of Mario Brasile.

<sup>112</sup> Marriage information was written in the margin of the second page of both Mario Brasile and Teresa Sarnataro's birth records. See Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1848," images 256–257 of 422, record 235, birth of Mario Brasile. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1850," record 227, birth of Teresa Sarnataro; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7B9F-M1> : 14 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati 1850, images 234–235 of 448; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy. Also, Chiesa Cattolica, Parrocchia di Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Matrimoniorum Liber 1865-1880," folio 68 front–back, entry 7, marriage of Mario Brasile and Teresa Sarnataro dated 3 December 1872; images 1147–1148 of 3789. There may have been two ceremonies or the 1873 date was wrong, but the notes on the birth records refer to record 70 in the 1873 marriage register. There was no response to requests for records from the Town of Acerra other than a standard note that records up to 1865 are available at the State Archives. The 1873 marriage register is not available digitally.

<sup>113</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1850," images 234–235 of 448, record 227, birth of Teresa Sarnataro. Teresa Sarnataro was alive when her daughter, Giovanna Brasile, married in 1908, but as divorce was not legal in Italy until 1974, she probably was deceased when her husband married in 1913. See Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1908," record 22, marriage of Giovanni Levita and Giovanna Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7Y78-S> : accessed 14 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Matrimoni 1908, image 12 of 110; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1913," record 14, marriage of Mario Brasile and Gaetana Gallo; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7B3W-D4> : accessed 14 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Matrimoni 1913, image 8 of 102; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>114</sup> Ibid.

<sup>115</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1853," record 258, birth of Gaetana Gallo; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7T9Z-F> : accessed 14 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati 1853, images 280–281 of 455; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1926," record 313, death of Gaetana Gallo; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7B3K-RZ> : accessed 14 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Morti 1926, image 80 of 122; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>116</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1852," record 119, birth of Cuono Vincenzo Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org>

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June 1875 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>117</sup> She was born on 6 January 1857 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 17 April 1909 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>118</sup>

- x. ANTONIO BRASILE was born on 4 January 1854 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 8 April 1862 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>119</sup>

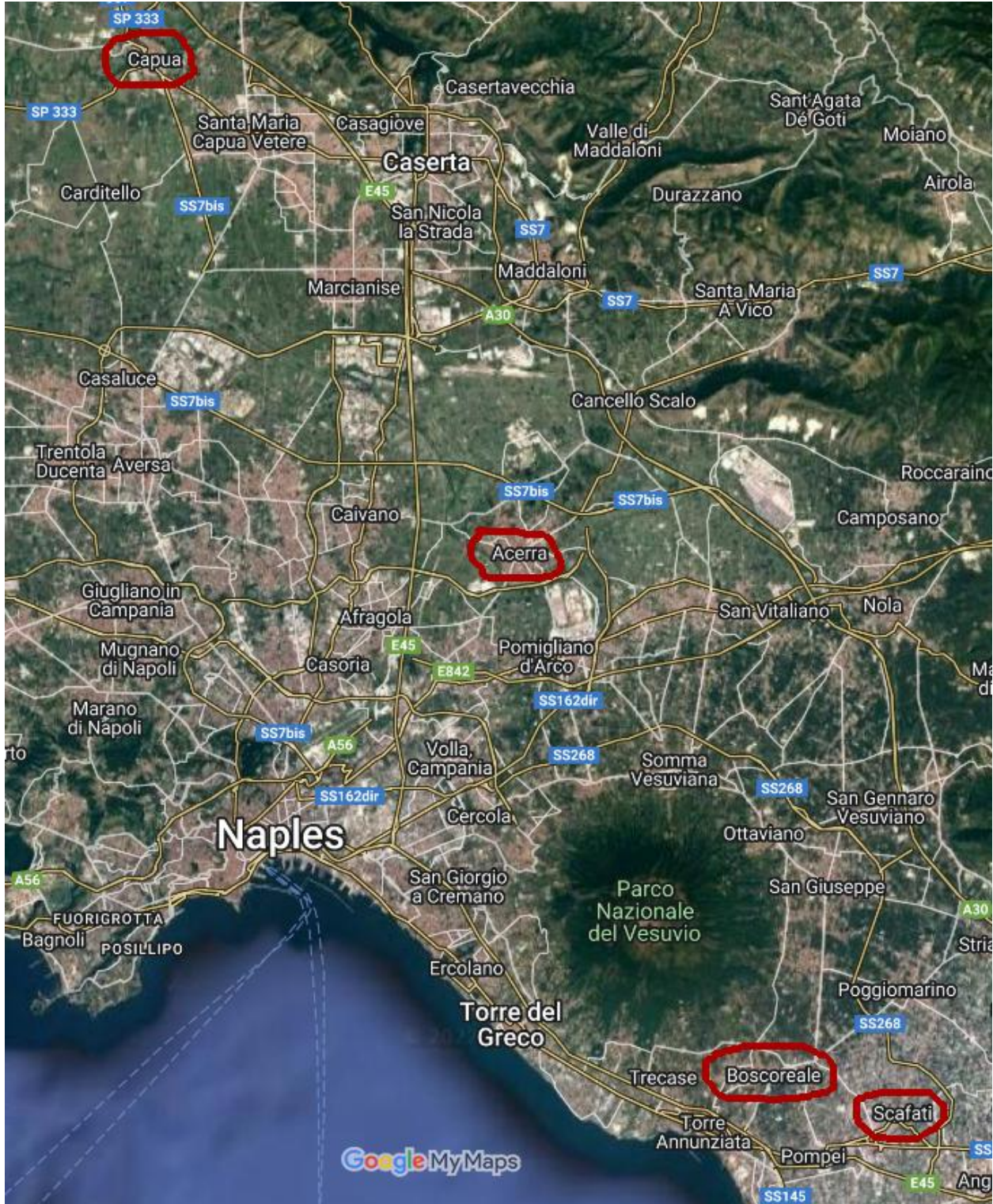
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<sup>117</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1875," record 54, marriage of Cuono Vincenzo Brasile and Maddalena Renella; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7B3C-MW> : accessed 15 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Matrimoni 1875, image 27 of 68; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>118</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1857," record 9, birth of Maddalena Renella; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7B3J-N9> : accessed 15 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati 1857, image 25 of 271; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1909," record 215, death of Maddalena Renella; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7BSL-8B> : 15 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Morti 1909, image 55 of 163; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>119</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1854," record 6, birth of Antonio Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7BSH-XV> : accessed 15 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati 1854, image 25 of 230; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1862," record 93, death of Antonio Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7B3P-92> : accessed 15 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Morti 1862, image 69 of 205; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.



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# Third Generation

3. **MARIO BRASILE** was born on 15 August 1848 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 22 February 1920 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>120</sup> He married first **TERESA SARNATARO** on 20 July 1873 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>121</sup> She was born on 20 July 1850 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, the daughter of Antonio Sarnataro and Maria Giuseppa Polladino, and died between 1908 and 1913 probably in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>122</sup> Mario married second **GAETANA DI GALLO** on 9 February 1913 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>123</sup> She was born on 7 August 1853 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, the daughter of Michele Gallo and Porzia d'Anna, and died on 11 September 1926 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>124</sup> Gaetana was beyond normal child-bearing years when she married Mario, and there is no evidence that they had any children together.

While Mario was a child, King Victor Emmanuel II, King of Piedmont-Sardinia unified Italy.<sup>125</sup> With the support of Piedmontese government leaders, General Giuseppe Garibaldi launched an invasion of Sicily in 1860.<sup>126</sup> He was met with little resistance and quickly moved to the mainland, where he again met little resistance as he marched to Naples.<sup>127</sup> King Francesco II of the Kingdom of Two Sicilies left the city of Naples to rally his troops and was defeated near Capua.<sup>128</sup> The Kingdom of the Two Sicilies was

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<sup>120</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1848," images 256–257 of 422, record 235, birth of Mario Brasile. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1920," image 19 of 133, record 72, death of Mario Brasile.

<sup>121</sup> Marriage information was written in the margin of the second page of both Mario Brasile and Teresa Sarnataro's birth records. See Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1848," images 256–257 of 422, record 235, birth of Mario Brasile. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1850," images 234–235 of 448, record 227, birth of Teresa Sarnataro.

<sup>122</sup> Ibid. Teresa Sarnataro was alive when her daughter, Giovanna Brasile, married in 1908, but as divorce was not legal in Italy until 1974, she probably was deceased when her husband married in 1913. See Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1908," image 12 of 110, record 22, marriage of Giovanni Levita and Giovanna Brasile. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1913," image 8 of 102, record 14, marriage of Mario Brasile and Gaetana Gallo.

<sup>123</sup> Ibid.

<sup>124</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1853," images 280–281 of 455, record 258, birth of Gaetana Gallo. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1926," image 80 of 122, record 313, death of Gaetana Gallo.

<sup>125</sup> Duggan, *The Force of Destiny*, p. 194.

<sup>126</sup> Gilmour, *The Pursuit of Italy*, pp. 193–194.

<sup>127</sup> Ibid., pp. 194–195. Also, Gilmour, *The Pursuit of Italy*, pp. 200–201.

<sup>128</sup> Ibid.

annexed by the Kingdom of Piedmont-Sardinia and later became part of the Kingdom of Italy on 17 March 1861, ruled by Victor Emmanuel II.<sup>129</sup>

While the Naples area was the site of the first railway, had a large manufacturing base, and was the home of the first university in Italy, the area also had the highest poverty rate in the Kingdom of Italy.<sup>130</sup> Under the rule of the Bourbon Kings, southern Italy had protective tariffs and little taxation but had been struggling economically for a long time.<sup>131</sup> Southern Italy suffered from drought, erosion, outdated farming methods, and poor soil conditions; now under the rule of Emmanuel II, free trade and taxes directed at the peasants exacerbated their poverty.<sup>132</sup>

With no hope of improving their lot, the peasants of southern Italy headed to the United States following the promise of wealth. "...Italy remained an overwhelmingly agricultural country, with around two-thirds of the labour force employed on the land in the 1870s and 1880s...with low investment and falling prices leading to rising unemployment and a general decline in living standards. Millions of Italians voted with their feet and emigrated."<sup>133</sup> In the 1880s more than 300,000, most of them from southern Italy and Sicily, immigrated.<sup>134</sup> By the time the exodus slowed down in 1920, more than 4 million Italians had relocated to the United States.<sup>135</sup>

The Brasile family of Acerra was part of that exodus. Mario's nephew, Angelo Toscano, was living at 75 Mulberry Street in New York City, and another nephew, Angelo Brasile, went to join him in 1903.<sup>136</sup> Angelo Brasile returned to Acerra and married on 18 January 1906.<sup>137</sup> He did not spend much time with his new bride and was in Chicago

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<sup>129</sup> Gilmour, *The Pursuit of Italy*, p. 203. Also, Duggan, *The Force of Destiny*, pp. 231–232. Also, John Hooper, *The Italians* (New York: Viking, 2015 ), pp. 7, 275–276.

<sup>130</sup> Gilmour, *The Pursuit of Italy*, pp. 142–143.

<sup>131</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 240. Also, Hooper, *The Italians*, pp. 275–276.

<sup>132</sup> *Ibid.*, pp. 240–243. Also, Duggan, *The Force of Destiny*, pp. 265–266.

<sup>133</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 264.

<sup>134</sup> "The Great Arrival," *Library of Congress* (<https://www.loc.gov/classroom-materials/immigration/italian/the-great-arrival/> : accessed 15 October 2021) Teachers > Classroom Materials > Immigration and Relocation in U.S. History > Italian > The Great Arrival.

<sup>135</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>136</sup> "New York, U.S., Arriving Passenger and Crew Lists (including Castle Garden and Ellis Island), 1820-1957," database with images, *Ancestry* ([https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/7488/images/NYT715\\_339-0676](https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/7488/images/NYT715_339-0676) : accessed 16 October 2021), New York, U.S., Arriving Passenger and Crew Lists (including Castle Garden and Ellis Island), 1820-1957 > Date > 1903 > Apr > 10 > Germania, image 88 of 131, entry 20 for Angelo Brasile, age twenty, arrived in New York on 10 April 1903 aboard the *Germania*; citing NARA microfilm T715, roll 339. See Proof of Parentage 4 for Angelo Brasile. See Proof of Parentage 5 for Angelo Toscano.

<sup>137</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1906," record 6, marriage of Angelo Brasile and Marianna Esposito; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch*



when his cousin Antonio Brasile, Mario's son, came to join him at 117 Vernon Park Place in Chicago three months later.<sup>138</sup> More than twenty individuals on the ship from Acerra were headed to 117 Vernon Park Place.<sup>139</sup> Angelo made another trip in 1909 and joined his father, Mario's brother Cuono Vincenzo Brasile, at 117 Vernon Park Place.<sup>140</sup> Again, many from Acerra on the ship were headed to 117 Vernon Park Place.<sup>141</sup>

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THIRTEENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1910—POPULATION

SUPERVISOR'S DISTRICT NO. 138 SHEET NO. 1936  
ENUMERATION DISTRICT NO. 27 B

STATE: Illinois COUNTY: Clark TOWNSHIP OR OTHER DIVISION OF COUNTY: Franklin NAME OF INCORPORATED PLACE: Chicago WARD OF CITY: 12 DAY OF April 1910.

FAMILY NO.	IND. NO.	NAME	RELATION	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION	SEX			RACE			ETHNICITY			OCCUPATION	EDUCATION			SPECIAL INQUIRY			
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					1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		10	11	12		13	14	
	109	Antonio Brasile	Head	30	M	W	I	I	I				English	None	None						
	110	Maria Brasile	Wife	28	F	W	I	I					English	None	None						
	111	Antonio Brasile	Son	10	M	W	I	I					English	None	None						
	112	Antonio Brasile	Son	8	M	W	I	I					English	None	None						
	113	Maria Brasile	Daughter	6	F	W	I	I					English	None	None						
	114	Antonio Brasile	Son	4	M	W	I	I					English	None	None						
	115	Maria Brasile	Daughter	2	F	W	I	I					English	None	None						
	116	Antonio Brasile	Son	1	M	W	I	I					English	None	None						

1910 U.S. census - Angelo Brasile, probably the son of Cuono Vincenzo Brasile, was living at Vernon Park Place along with many other Italian immigrants.

(<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7BSF-Y8> : accessed 16 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Matrimoni 1906, image 3 of 75; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>138</sup> "New York, U.S., Arriving Passenger and Crew Lists (including Castle Garden and Ellis Island), 1820-1957," Date > 1906 > Mar > 17 > Prinz Adalbert, image 63 of 93, entry 3 for Antonio Brasile, age eighteen, arrived in New York on 17 March 1906 aboard the *Prinz Adalbert*; citing NARA microfilm T715, roll 676.

<sup>139</sup> Ibid. A search of the database for individuals aboard the *Prinz Adalbert* who arrived on 17 March 1906 and whose last known residence was Acerra returned 150 individuals. An examination of ten pages of the passenger list showed twenty-one individuals going to join relatives or friends at 117 Vernon Park Place in Chicago.

<sup>140</sup> Ibid., Date > 1909 > Mar > 19 > Lazio, image 43 of 372, entry 4 for Angelo Brasile, age twenty-eight, arrived in New York on 19 March 1909 aboard the *Lazio*; citing NARA microfilm T715, roll 1219.

<sup>141</sup> Ibid. A search of the database for individuals aboard the *Lazio* who arrived on 19 March 1909 and whose last known residence was Acerra returned thirty-five individuals. An examination of three pages of the passenger list showed seventeen individuals going to join relatives or friends at 117 Vernon Park Place in Chicago.

## Proof of Parentage 4

Angelo Brasile

### Generation 3, Son of Cuono Vincenzo Brasile (the Brother of Mario Brasile) and Maddalena Renella

Cuono Vincenzo Brasile, Mario Brasile's brother, married Maddalena Renella in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy on 12 June 1875.<sup>142</sup> Angelo was their third child and was born on 7 November 1880 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>143</sup> Angelo made his first trip to the United States in 1903 when he went to New York to stay with his cousin, Angelo Toscano.<sup>144</sup> He returned to Acerra and married Marianna Esposito on 18 January 1906.<sup>145</sup> His father, Cuono, had gone to the United States and worked on the railroad tracks.<sup>146</sup> Three months after the marriage, Angelo was in Chicago.<sup>147</sup> Cuono had probably gotten railroad jobs for his son Angelo, who worked as a porter, and for his nephew Antonio Brasile, Mario's son, who worked on the tracks.<sup>148</sup>

Angelo continued to go back and forth between the two countries. His first known child was born in Acerra on 8 January 1909, and on 23 March 1909, Angelo was back in Chicago.<sup>149</sup> He returned to Acerra again and died there on 27 November 1910.<sup>150</sup>

The birth, marriage, and death records all named Angelo Brasile as the son of Cuono Brasile and Maddalena Renella.

<sup>142</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1875," image 27 of 68, record 54, marriage of Cuono Vincenzo Brasile and Maddalena Renella.

<sup>143</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1880," record 524, birth of Angelo Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-WNN8-R> : accessed 29 March 2022), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati 1880, image 176 of 229; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>144</sup> "New York, U.S., Arriving Passenger and Crew Lists (including Castle Garden and Ellis Island), 1820-1957," > Date > 1903 > Apr > 10 > Germania, image 88 of 131, entry 20 for Angelo Brasile, age twenty-three, arrived in New York on 10 April 1903 aboard the *Germania*.

<sup>145</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1906," image 3 of 75, record 6, marriage of Angelo Brasile and Marianna Esposito.

<sup>146</sup> Illinois death certificate no. 37789 (1928), Cuono "Gaetano" Brasile.

<sup>147</sup> "New York, U.S., Arriving Passenger and Crew Lists (including Castle Garden and Ellis Island), 1820-1957," Date > 1906 > Mar > 17 > Prinz Adalbert, image 63 of 93, entry 3 for Antonio Brasile, age eighteen, arrived in New York on 17 March 1906 aboard the *Prinz Adalbert*. Antonio was joining his cousin Angelo Brasile who was living at 117 Vernon Park in Chicago.

<sup>148</sup> "New York, U.S., Arriving Passenger and Crew Lists (including Castle Garden and Ellis Island), 1820-1957," Date > 1909 > Mar > 19 > Lazio, image 43 of 372, entry 4 for Angelo Brasile, age twenty-eight, arrived in New York on 19 March 1909 aboard the *Lazio*. Also, "Engine Kills Three Railroad Laborers," *The Pittsburgh Press Sun* (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania), Sunday, 19 January 1919, additional classified section p. 8, col. 6; digital images, *Google News*, (<https://news.google.com/newspapers?nid=djft3U1LymYC&dat=19190119&printsec=frontpage&hl=en> : accessed 29 March 2022), image 48 of 80.

<sup>149</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati 1909," record 51, birth of Cuono Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7B9M-4N> : accessed 29 March 2022), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati 1909, image 18 of 281; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy. Also, "New York, U.S., Arriving Passenger and Crew Lists (including Castle Garden and Ellis Island), 1820-1957," Date > 1909 > Mar > 19 > Lazio, image 43 of 372, entry 4 for Angelo Brasile, age twenty-eight, arrived in New York on 19 March 1909 aboard the *Lazio*.

<sup>150</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1910," record 406, death of Angelo Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7B3Q-9H> : accessed 29 March 2022), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Morti 1910, image 103 of 135; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

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## Proof of Parentage 5

### Angelo Toscano

#### Generation 3, Son of Luigi Toscano and Filomena Brasile (the Sister of Mario Brasile)

On 26 March 1903, Angelo Brasile, a 23-year-old single man from Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, apparently traveling by himself, paid for a ticket and boarded the ship bound for New York.<sup>151</sup> He had never been to the United States before and was joining his cousin, Angelo Toscano who was living at 75 Mulberry Street.<sup>152</sup>

There was only one Angelo Brasile in Acerra born around 1880—Angelo Brasile the son of Cuono Vincenzo Brasile and Maddalena Renella.<sup>153</sup> Angelo's aunt, Filomena Brasile, the sister of Mario and Cuono Vincenzo Brasile, married Luigi Toscano on 15 April 1871 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>154</sup> Angelo Toscano, their fifth known child and first cousin of Angelo Brasile, was born on 19 June 1880 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and was probably the Angelo Toscano living in New York in 1903 who Angelo Brasile was going to stay with.<sup>155</sup> Between 1870 and 1895, there was no other Angelo Toscano born in Acerra.<sup>156</sup>

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<sup>151</sup> "New York, U.S., Arriving Passenger and Crew Lists (including Castle Garden and Ellis Island), 1820-1957," Date > 1909 > Mar > 19 > Lazio, image 43 of 372, entry 4 for Angelo Brasile, age twenty-eight, arrived in New York on 19 March 1909 aboard the *Lazio*.

<sup>152</sup> Ibid.

<sup>153</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1880," image 176 of 229, record 524, birth of Angelo Brasile.

<sup>154</sup> Marriage information was written in the margin of the second page of both Luigi Toscano and Filomena Brasile's birth records. See Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro 114.3337 degli Atti di Nati, 1845," images 467–468 of 518, record 41, birth of Filomena Brasile. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1838," images 40–41 of 358, record 39, birth of Luigi Toscano.

<sup>155</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1880," record 285, birth of Angelo Toscano; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch*

(<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7TBX> : accessed 29 March 2022), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati

1880, image 96 of 229; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>156</sup> The author searched the birth records and the baptismal records from 1870 to 1895 and no other Angelo Toscano appears to have been born in Acerra during that time.

The known children of Mario Brasile and Teresa Sarnataro were:

- i. ANGELO BRASILE was born on 26 October 1873 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>157</sup> He married Gaetana Piscopo on 3 May 1900 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>158</sup> She was born on 28 December 1878 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>159</sup>
- ii. MARIA RAFFAELA BRASILE was born on 4 February 1878 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 26 December 1940 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>160</sup> She married Giacomo Romanelli on 11 January 1900 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>161</sup> He was born on 18 November 1865 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>162</sup>
- iii. GIOVANNA BRASILE was born on 10 March 1879 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 19 July 1881 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>163</sup>

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<sup>157</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1873," record 525, birth of Angelo Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-WNJW-Q> : accessed 16 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati 1873, image 238 of 296; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>158</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1900," record 63, marriage of Angelo Brasile and Gaetana Piscopo; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7Y9R-T> : accessed 16 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Matrimoni 1900, image 33 of 94; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>159</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1878," record 589, birth of Gaetana Piscopo; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7ROY-9> : accessed 16 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati 1878, image 198 of 222; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>160</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1876," record 69, birth of Maria Raffaella Basile, [the town clerk wrote her death information in the margin]; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7BSN-KF> : accessed 16 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati 1876, image 24 of 235; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy. Marriage information was often written in the margin of the birth records for individuals born around 1845 and later; death information was added to the birth records of individuals born around 1871 and later.

<sup>161</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1900," record 6, marriage of Giacomo Romanelli and Maria Raffaella Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7Y91-Z> : accessed 29 March 2022), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Matrimoni 1900, image 4 of 94; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>162</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1865," record 516, birth of Giacomo Romano [a note written by the town clerk corrected his surname to Romanelli which was recorded in 1896 with the court located in Santa Maria Capua Vetere]; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7T42> : accessed 16 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati 1865, image 260 of 293; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>163</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1879," record 95, birth of Giovanna Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7BS6-MR> : accessed 16 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati 1879, image 33 of 231; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1881," record 386, death of Giovanna Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7B3X-X2> : accessed 16

- iv. GIOVANNA BRASILE was born on 25 November 1882 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 23 December 1958 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>164</sup> She married Giovanni Levita on 2 February 1908 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>165</sup> He was born about 29 April 1885 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>166</sup>
- v. TERESA BRASILE was born about 18 May 1885 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 16 June 1886 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>167</sup>
- + 4. vi. ANTONIO BRASILE was born on 28 September 1888 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 18 January 1919 in Big Beaver, Beaver, Pennsylvania, United States.<sup>168</sup> He married Carrie Scalise on 21 August 1913 in Winamac, Pulaski, Indiana, United States.<sup>169</sup> She was born on 3 May 1895 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois, United States (see Document 2), and

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October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Morti 1881, image 98 of 205; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>164</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1882," record 623, birth of Giovanna Brasile [town clerk wrote her death information in the margin]; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-WNJW-G> : accessed 16 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati 1882, image 209 of 258; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>165</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Matrimoni, 1908," record 22, marriage of Giovanni Levita and Giovanna Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7Y78-S> : accessed 29 March 2022), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Matrimoni 1908, image 12 of 110; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>166</sup> Chiesa Cattolica, Parrocchia di Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Baptizatorum Liber 1866-1871," folio 190 back, entry 38, baptism record for Giovanni Levita; imaged in "Registri Ecclesiastici di Acerra (Napoli), 1607-1900," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CSMB-99SF-1> : accessed 16 October 2021), Film # 007786836, image 905 of 3933; Parrocchia di Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>167</sup> *Ibid.*, image 906 of 3933, folio 191 back, entry 20, baptism record for Teresa Brasile. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1886," record 275, death of Teresa Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7BSH-MF> : accessed 16 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Morti 1886, image 70 of 186; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>168</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1888," record 464, birth of Antonio Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7BQJ-G9> : accessed 18 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati 1888, image 156 of 239; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy. Also, "Pennsylvania, U.S., Death Certificates, 1906-1968," database with images, *Ancestry* ([https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/5164/images/41381\\_2421406271\\_0845-02428](https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/5164/images/41381_2421406271_0845-02428) : accessed 29 March 2022), Pennsylvania, U.S., Death Certificates, 1906-1968 > 1919 > 004001-007000, image 2428 of 3083, certificate of death stamped 6355 (1919), Tony Brasile; Pennsylvania Historic and Museum Commission, Harrisburg, United States.

<sup>169</sup> "Indiana Marriages, 1811-2019," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:33S7-9TMZ-QQH> : accessed 18 October 2021), Indiana Marriages, 1811-2019 > Pulaski > 1912-1915 Volume J, image 155 of 340, pp. 236-237, Application for Marriage License, Marriage License, and Certificate of Marriage for Tony Brasile and Carrie Scalise; Indiana Commission on Public Records, Indianapolis, United States.

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died on 12 July 1969, in Oak Park, Cook, Illinois, United States (see Document 3).<sup>170</sup>

- vii. MARIA BRASILE was born on 7 May 1891 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 1 June 1892 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy.<sup>171</sup>

## Fourth Generation

3. **ANTONIO BRASILE** was born on 28 September 1888 in Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, and died on 18 January 1919 in Big Beaver, Beaver, Pennsylvania, United States.<sup>172</sup> He married **CARRIE SCALISE** on 21 August 1913 in Winamac, Pulaski, Indiana, United States.<sup>173</sup> She was born on 3 May 1895 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois, United States, the daughter of Vincenzo Scalise and Nuncia Panetta, and died on 12 July 1969 in Oak Park, Cook, Illinois, United States.<sup>174</sup>

Antonio Brasile, age 18, boarded the *SS Prinz Adalbert* and left Naples on 2 March 1906, and arrived in New York on 17 March 1906.<sup>175</sup> There were twenty-four other men and boys from Acerra on the same manifest page and Antonio was one of nine who was

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<sup>170</sup> "Illinois, Cook County Birth Registers, 1871-1915," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:S3HY-6QLW-S17> : accessed 27 November 2021), Image Group 4271379, image 546 of 1264, 1895 section, no volume listed, handwritten p. 325, entry 4, Rachela Scalise; citing Register Book 31, Cook County Courthouse, Chicago, United States. Also, Illinois Department of Public Health, medical certificate of death no. 69-040527 (1969), Caroline Cappilupo; Division of Vital Records, Springfield, Illinois, United States, photocopied certificate supplied by clerk, 25 January 2022, in possession of author. See Proof of Parentage 6 for Rachela/Carrie Scalise.

<sup>171</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1891," record 252, birth of Maria Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7B9J-87> : accessed 16 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Nati 1891, image 85 of 257; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy. Also, Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Morti, 1892," record 198, death of Maria Brasile; imaged in "Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:9396-7R94-G> : accessed 16 October 2021), Italia, Napoli, Acerra, Stato Civile (Comune), 1809-1929 > Morti 1892, image 51 of 153; Town of Acerra, Naples, Italy.

<sup>172</sup> Acerra, Naples, Campania, Italy, "Registro degli Atti di Nati, 1888," image 156 of 239, record 464, birth of Antonio Brasile. Also, "Pennsylvania, U.S., Death Certificates, 1906-1968," 1919 > 004001-007000, image 2428 of 3083, certificate of death stamped 6355 (1919), Tony Brasile.

<sup>173</sup> "Indiana Marriages, 1811-2019," Pulaski > 1912-1915 Volume J, image 155 of 340, pp. 236–237, Application for Marriage License, Marriage License, and Certificate of Marriage for Tony Brasile and Carrie Scalise.

<sup>174</sup> "Illinois, Cook County Birth Registers, 1871-1915," database with images, *FamilySearch*, Image Group 4271379, image 546 of 1264, Register Book 31 Jan 1895–Jun 1895 (A–Z), handwritten p. 325, entry 4, Rachela Scalise. Also, Illinois Department of Public Health, medical certificate of death no. 69-040527 (1969), Caroline Cappilupo.

<sup>175</sup> "New York, U.S., Arriving Passenger and Crew Lists (including Castle Garden and Ellis Island), 1820-1957," Date > 1906 > Mar > 17 > Prinz Adalbert, image 63 of 93, entry 3 for Antonio Brasile, age eighteen, arrived in New York on 17 March 1906 aboard the *Prinz Adalbert*.

able to read and write and one of three who had paid for his own ticket.<sup>176</sup> He had \$9 on him which was about the same as the other passengers were carrying.<sup>177</sup> With the exception of Domenico Messina who was going to Brooklyn, they were all headed to Chicago to join family members.<sup>178</sup> Most of them were going to 117 Vernon Park Place or 116 South Clark Street, Chicago, which were probably lodging houses as there were many in that area of town at that time.<sup>179</sup>

“Mostly *contadini* (small farmers) from dozens of towns in Italy both north and south settled around the core of the central city and in selected suburbs. They practiced *campanilismo* (allegiance to their town of origin), living near others from the same village or region. The core colonies were considered slums...The immigrants worked as railroad laborers, construction workers, small-scale fruit and vegetable peddlers, shoemakers, and barbers. Both men and women were engaged in the needle trades...it was unusual to find Italians employed in factories. Only a minuscule number worked in meatpacking plants.”<sup>180</sup>

According to Dominic Candeloro, a Chicago historian and author, there was no single Little Italy in Chicago, but the immigrants from the various towns and regions tended to settle in groups.<sup>181</sup> “The Halsted and Taylor Street area contained about 25,000 (1910) one-third of the city’s Italians—a mixture of people from Naples, Salerno, Bari, Messina, Palermo, Abruzzo...For the most part this area was considered a slum in the pre-1920 era.”<sup>182</sup> With so many immigrants coming to Chicago, a social service directory was published and distributed to the service providers. One provider was the Italian Christian Institute at 567 W. Taylor Street, “Estab. 1914...To promote good citizenship among immigrant Italians...evening school.”<sup>183</sup>

But while the directory contained several listings for ethnic groups such as Armenian, Jewish, German, etc., this was the only listing specifically for Italians. Italians turned to

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<sup>176</sup> Ibid.

<sup>177</sup> Ibid.

<sup>178</sup> Ibid.

<sup>179</sup> Ibid.

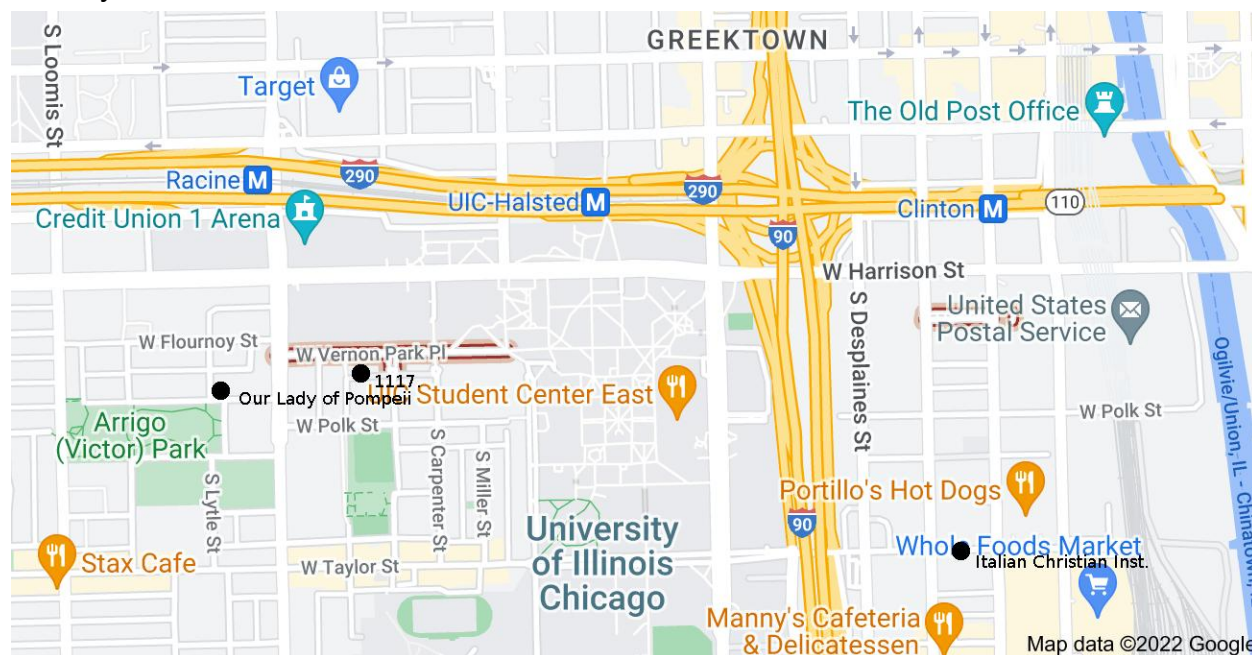
<sup>180</sup> Domenico Candeloro, “Chicago’s Italians: Immigrants, Ethnics, Achievers 1850-1985,” *Illinois History Teacher* vol. 6, no. 2 (1999) *Illinois Periodicals Online* (<https://www.lib.niu.edu/1999/iht629936.html> : accessed 30 March 2022), Enter > *Illinois History Teacher* > 1999 > V.6, NO. 2.

<sup>181</sup> Domenico Candeloro, “Rundown of Chicago Italian Neighborhoods and Churches: There was Never Just ONE Little Italy in Chicago,” posted 18 September 2013, *LUC Library Blogs*, (<http://libblogs.luc.edu/ccic/rundown-of-chicago-italian-neighborhoods-and-churches-there-was-never-just-one-little-italy-in-chicago/> : accessed 30 March 2022), Chicago Catholic Immigrants Conference > Archive September 2013.

<sup>182</sup> Ibid.

<sup>183</sup> Valaria D. McDermott and Annie Elizabeth Trotter, *Chicago Social Service Directory*, (Chicago: City of Chicago Department of Public Works, 1918), p. 228; digital images, *Library of Congress* (<https://www.loc.gov/item/18010182/> : accessed 31 March 2022).

their communities, which often meant extended family from their home village, and their church for support. Our Lady of Pompeii was built in 1911, a third of a mile from where the Brasile family was living at Vernon Park Place, and said Mass in Italian each Sunday.<sup>184</sup> The church added a school in 1912.<sup>185</sup>



Chicago newspapers described the area as the “Italian colony,” “Italian settlement,” or “Italian district.”<sup>186</sup> The Italians were viewed as uneducated, lazy, superstitious, criminals, and a gang known as “The Black Hand” operated in the neighborhood.<sup>187</sup>

“A woman, 65 years old, was a victim at 7 a. m., to-day in a tragedy enacted in the north side Italian district, the scene of recent murders and atrocities attributed to ‘black hand’

<sup>184</sup> Kathy Catrambone and Ellen Shubard, *Taylor Street: Chicago's Little Italy*, Hoopla edition (Mount Pleasant, SC: Arcadia Publishing, 2007), p. 2.

<sup>185</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 13.

<sup>186</sup> “Twenty-Five Thousand March: Italian-American Societies in Gorgeous Array Celebrate,” *Chicago Daily News* (Chicago, Illinois), Wednesday, 12 October 1910, p.4, col. 6; imaged at *GenealogyBank* ([www.genealogybank.com](http://www.genealogybank.com) : accessed 31 March 2022). Also, “Slain While Asleep by Trio of Assassins: Fate of Benedetto Cinene, 500 West Oak Street, Due to Revenge of Black Hand,” *Chicago Daily News*, Thursday, 6 January 1910, p. 1, col. 7; imaged at *GenealogyBank* ([www.genealogybank.com](http://www.genealogybank.com) : accessed 31 March 2022). Also, “Woman, 65, Stabbed: Mrs. Juliana Jones Tells a Strange Story of Attack—Police Hunt Fugitive in Italian District,” *Chicago Daily News*, Thursday, 21 June 1910, p. 17, col. 5; imaged at *GenealogyBank* ([www.genealogybank.com](http://www.genealogybank.com) : accessed 31 March 2022).

<sup>187</sup> “Italians: Taylor Street,” Burton J. Bledstein, project director, *University of Illinois, Chicago, Liberal Arts and Sciences, Department of History* (<https://maxwellhalsted.uic.edu/home/alien-colonies/italian-american-taylor-st/index.html> : accessed 31 March 2022). Also, “Seer Foretells Strike End; Joy: Italians Rejoice over the ‘Prospect’ of Garment Walkout Peace,” *Chicago Daily News*, Friday, 2 December 1910, p. 4, col. 2; imaged at *GenealogyBank* ([www.genealogybank.com](http://www.genealogybank.com) : accessed 31 March 2022). See news articles listed below for more examples.



operations.”<sup>188</sup> Francesco Abato, had approached Mrs. Julianna Jones and said he had lived there previously and his mail was often sent to that address. When Mrs. Jones said there was no mail, Abato threatened her and said the “black hand” would take vengeance on anyone who “crossed the path” of members of the society.<sup>189</sup> He then slashed her neck with a knife.<sup>190</sup>

“A sequel of a feud, supposed to have started in Italy, was a fight last night in Chicago’s Vernon Park place [*sic*], where an unidentified man was killed, four Italians were stabbed, one of them probably fatally, and a 3-year-old girl shot in the foot by a stray bullet.”<sup>191</sup>

Twenty-six-year-old Joseph Kandas and Thirty-four-year-old Filippo Ferro, both living at 205 Vernon Park, were arrested on charges of putting twenty-seven-year-old Francesca Ferro and twenty-six-year-old Maria Greka into a house of debauchery.<sup>192</sup>

At the intersection of Polk and Vernon Park Square, Pascale Lombardo attacked Belle Ragin and wounded her severely with a dagger because she liked another man.<sup>193</sup>

Benedetto Cicene was shot five times as he slept, “He paid the penalty, say some of the police, for that unpardonable sin in one of his race—being a ‘stool pigeon’...Others assert he was the victim of a ‘black hand’ gang and that his assassination followed his refusal to yield \$3,000.”<sup>194</sup>

John De Grazia summed the situation up well in his letter to the editor published Saturday, 9 April 1910.

“I do not deny that there is blackmailing among Italians or that crimes are committed by them, but I do protest against the [ – ? – ] notoriety created by newspapers in general and in connecting the name Italian with any crimes committed in or near an Italian neighborhood...the manner some papers use in publishing news in connection with the crimes, and in

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<sup>188</sup> “Woman, 65, Stabbed” *Chicago Daily News*, Thursday, 21 June 1910, p. 17, col. 5.

<sup>189</sup> Ibid.

<sup>190</sup> Ibid.

<sup>191</sup> “City Brevities,” *Chicago Daily News*, Monday, 13 June 1910, p. 19, col. 3; imaged at *GenealogyBank* ([www.genealogybank.com](http://www.genealogybank.com) : accessed 31 March 2022).

<sup>192</sup> “Notatki Reportera,” *Dziennik Chicagoski* (Chicago, Illinois) Friday, 23 September 1910, p. 9, col. 3; imaged at *GenealogyBank* ([www.genealogybank.com](http://www.genealogybank.com) : accessed 31 March 2022).

<sup>193</sup> “Pozary,” *Dziennik Chicagoski*, Thursday, 29 September 1910, p. 7, col. 5; imaged at *GenealogyBank* ([www.genealogybank.com](http://www.genealogybank.com) : accessed 31 March 2022).

<sup>194</sup> “Slain While Asleep by Trio of Assassins” *Chicago Daily News*, Thursday, 6 January 1910, p. 1, col. 7; imaged at *GenealogyBank* ([www.genealogybank.com](http://www.genealogybank.com) : accessed 31 March 2022).

referring to Italians, reflects unjustly on hundreds of thousands who are law-abiding, honest and industrious citizens. This includes thousands of sturdy laborers, the ablest of the Italian peasantry, who came here and began at the foot of the ladder, and who are exceedingly useful citizens.”<sup>195</sup>

But the Italians did not stay in those neighborhoods. As they could afford it, they moved to homes in better neighborhoods, but again, the neighbors tended to stay near each other with a Catholic church nearby.<sup>196</sup> In 1917, the Brasile family was living at 1116 Vernon Park Place, but after Antonio Brasile died in 1919, his family was living at 93 Lake Street, River Forest, Cook, Illinois.<sup>197</sup>

Antonio Brasile was working on a project for the Pennsylvania Railroad when he was run over by a train and crushed to death.(see Documents 4, 5, and 6).<sup>198</sup> The information for the death certificate was provided by Felix L. Gizzi of Racine, Beaver, Pennsylvania, who knew very little about Antonio Brasile.<sup>199</sup> Mr. Tony Brasile was white, male, married, age 31 from Italy and his parents were from Italy.<sup>200</sup> Antonio left his wife, Carrie, with three children and about seven months pregnant.<sup>201</sup> As there was no will, the court became involved. The State of Illinois appointed Gordon A. Ramsay, [who appears to be a court agent as his name is rubber-stamped on this and other orders by the court and he appears to be bonded by the state], as the administrator of the estate

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<sup>195</sup> John De Grazia, “A Letter About Italians,” *Chicago Daily News*, Saturday, 9 April 1910, p. 7, col. 3; imaged at *GenealogyBank* ([www.genealogybank.com](http://www.genealogybank.com) : accessed 31 March 2022).

<sup>196</sup> Domenico Candeloro, “Rundown of Chicago Italian Neighborhoods and Churches: There was Never Just ONE Little Italy in Chicago,” posted 18 September 2013, *LUC Library Blogs*.

<sup>197</sup> 1920 U.S. census, Cook County, Illinois, population schedule, River Forest, enumeration district 205, sheet 2-A, dwell. 25, line 44, Carrie Brasile household; imaged in “1920 United States Federal Census,” *Ancestry* ([https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/6061/images/4300527\\_00255](https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/6061/images/4300527_00255) : accessed 30 March 2022), 1920 United States Federal Census > Illinois > Cook > River Forest > District 0205, image 2 of 25; citing NARA microfilm T625, roll 363.

<sup>198</sup> "Pennsylvania, U.S., Death Certificates, 1906-1968," 1919 > 004001-007000, image 2428 of 3083, certificate of death stamped 6355 (1919), Tony Brasile.

<sup>199</sup> Ibid.

<sup>200</sup> Ibid.

<sup>201</sup> 1920 U.S. census, Cook County, Illinois, population schedule, River Forest, enumeration district 205, sheet 2-A, dwell. 25, line 44, Carrie Brasile household, 1920 United States Federal Census > Illinois > Cook > River Forest > District 0205, image 2 of 25. The census was taken on 3 January 1920 and Carrie Brasile was listed with four children, one of whom was an infant named Antonio Brasile. Antonio was born on 8 April 1919, so his mother would have been about seven months pregnant when his father, Antonio Brasile, died on 19 January 1919. For Antonio’s birthdate see “U.S., World War II Draft Cards Young Men, 1940-1947,” database with images, *Ancestry* ([https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2238/images/44008\\_08\\_00008-01398](https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2238/images/44008_08_00008-01398) : accessed 30 March 2022), U.S., World War II Draft Cards Young Men, 1940-1947 > Illinois > Bechtel-Brooks > Branscomb, Alonzo-Bratton, Joseph, image 1399 of 2181, card for Anthony Brasile serial number 2850; citing WWII Draft Registration Cards for Illinois, 10/16/1940-03/31/1947, Records of the Selective Service System, record group 147, box 184, National Archives at St. Louis, Missouri, United States.

of Antony Brasile who died 18 January 1919.<sup>202</sup> As there were no other Antonio Brasiles living in Cook County who died on 18 January 1919, the Tony Brasile who died in Big Beaver, Beaver, Pennsylvania, and the Anthony Brasile who was listed on the Probate Court order was most likely the same person, which was supported by the fact Carrie Brasile was listed as widowed in the 1920 census, and the newspaper article about Antonio's death said he was survived by a wife and three children in Chicago.<sup>203</sup>

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<sup>202</sup> "Illinois, U.S., Wills and Probate Records, 1772-1999," database with images, *Ancestry* ([https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/9048/images/007654340\\_00402](https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/9048/images/007654340_00402) : accessed 30 March 2022), Illinois, U.S., Wills and Probate Records, 1772-1999 > Cook > Administrators Bonds and Letters, Book 114, 1919; Book 115, 1919, image 402 of 713, entry regarding Anthony Brasile; Circuit Court Office, Chicago, Illinois, United States. Ibid., Cook > Record of Grants of Administration, Book 37-38, 1918-1919; Book 39, 1919, image 627 of 654, estate of Antony Brasile. The administrator's name was not entered and the order for appraisal was left blank and crossed out.

<sup>203</sup> 1920 U.S. census, Cook County, Illinois, population schedule, River Forest, enumeration district 205, sheet 2-A, dwell. 25, line 44, Carrie Brasile household, 1920 United States Federal Census > Illinois > Cook > River Forest > District 0205, image 2 of 25. Also, "Engine Kills Three Railroad Laborers," *The Pittsburgh Press Sun*, Sunday, 19 January 1919.

**Proof of Parentage 6**  
**Carrie Scalise**  
**Generation 4, Wife of Antonio Brasile, and Daughter of Vincenzo Scalise and Nunziata Panetta**

Caroline Scalise was born Rachela Scalise on 3 May 1895, the second child of Vincenzo Scalise and Nunziata lanetta (see Document 2).<sup>204</sup> In the 1910 U.S. census, the family was living on Augusta Avenue in Proviso, Cook, Illinois, and Rachela Scalise was listed as Carrie Scalise, age fifteen, the daughter of James and Nancy Scalise, with a sister named Rose, age sixteen, a brother named Frank, age ten, and her grandfather, Frank Scalise, age sixty-one.<sup>205</sup> Given the ages of the two girls, if Carrie's age was correct, it would have been impossible for there to be another sister born on 3 May 1895.

Carrie Scalise's birth was recorded as 2 May 1895 on her marriage license application, and her parents were listed as James Scalise and Nancy Bennett.<sup>206</sup> Carrie married Frank Cappilupo on 18 December 1920, and his obituary stated "he was the husband of Caroline, nee Scalise; father of Morris, Theresa Kurtz, Anthony Brasile...and the late Nancy Brasile" (see Document 7).<sup>207</sup> Caroline Cappilupo's death record stated she was born on 15 April 1895, the daughter of James Scalise and Nancy Pennetta (see Document 3).<sup>208</sup> The informant was not a family member and

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<sup>204</sup> "Illinois, Cook County Birth Registers, 1871-1915," Image Group 4271379, image 546 of 1264, 1895 section, no volume listed, handwritten p. 325, entry 4, Rachela Scalise.

<sup>205</sup> 1910 U.S. census, Cook County, Illinois, population schedule, Proviso, enumeration district 92, sheet 25-A, dwell. 280, fam. 469; James Scalise household; imaged in "1910 United States Federal Census," *Ancestry* ([https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/7884/images/31111\\_4328135-00560](https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/7884/images/31111_4328135-00560) : accessed 30 March 2022), 1910 United States Federal Census > Illinois > Cook > Proviso > District 0092, image 52 of 54; citing NARA microfilm T624, roll 240.

<sup>206</sup> "Indiana Marriages, 1811-2019," Pulaski > 1912-1915 Volume J, image 155 of 340, pp. 236-237, Application for Marriage License, Marriage License, and Certificate of Marriage for Tony Brasile and Carrie Scalise. Nancy Bennett was recorded as born in France and Carrie's birth date was off by a day. As Carrie Scalise signed the application, she probably provided the information; however, the handwriting looks the same throughout the document including the signatures of the parties, and it appears the information was probably copied from the original documents into the Marriage Record and Applications book which could be the reason for the errors.

<sup>207</sup> "Illinois, Cook County Marriages, 1871-1968," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org> : accessed 1 April 2022), Film # 1030746, image 726 of 1834, handwritten no. 894061, marriage license and marriage record for Mr. Frank Coppelpo and Mrs. Carrie Brasile; Cook County Courthouse, Chicago, United States. Also, "Heart Attack is Fatal to Frank Cappilupo," *Forest Leaves* (River Forest, Illinois), Thursday, 13 December 1962, p. 70, col. 2; digital images, *Digital Archives of the River Forest Public Library* ([https://riverforest.advantage-preservation.com/viewer/?k=cappilupo&t=30316&i=t&by=1962&bdd=1960&d=12131962-12131962&m=between&ord=k1&fn=forest\\_leaves\\_usa\\_illinois\\_oak\\_park\\_19621213\\_english\\_72&df=1&dt=1](https://riverforest.advantage-preservation.com/viewer/?k=cappilupo&t=30316&i=t&by=1962&bdd=1960&d=12131962-12131962&m=between&ord=k1&fn=forest_leaves_usa_illinois_oak_park_19621213_english_72&df=1&dt=1) : accessed 30 March 2022).

<sup>208</sup> Illinois Department of Public Health, medical certificate of death no. 69-040527 (1969), Caroline Cappilupo.

used “hospital records” to fill out the death record which is probably why the birth date was incorrect.<sup>209</sup>

While it was sad Antonio Brasile did not live long enough to see his children grow, his immigration made it possible for them to have opportunities for education, employment, and homeownership that would not have been available in Italy.



D'Urso's Italian Agency about 1902 on Taylor Street provided notary services, currency exchange, and international money transfers.<sup>210</sup>

<sup>209</sup> Ibid.

<sup>210</sup> Photo from *Chicago Daily News* in possession of Chicago Historical Society, *Encyclopedia of Chicago* (<http://www.encyclopedia.chicagohistory.org/pages/11593.html> : accessed 31 March 2022).

Document 1: Cuono "Gaetano" Brasile 1928 Death Record

*Chronic myocarditis long med*

1. PLACE OF DEATH		Registration <u>3104</u>	STATE OF ILLINOIS	ORIGINAL
County of <u>Cook</u>		Dist. No. <u>3104</u>	Department of Public Health—Division of Vital Statistics	
City of <u>Chicago</u>		*Township *Road Dist. *Village *City	STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
* (Cancel the three terms not applicable—Do not enter "R. R.," "R. F. D.," or other P. O. address).		Primary Dist. No. _____	Registered No. <u>37789</u> (Consecutive No.)	
Street and Number, No. <u>2149 W. Harrison</u>		St. <u>27</u>	Ward _____ Hospital _____ (If death occurred in hospital or institution, give its name instead of street and number)	
2. FULL NAME <u>Cuono "Gaetano" Brasile</u>				
(a) Residence No. <u>2149 W. Harrison</u>		St. _____	Ward _____ (If non-resident give city or town and State)	
Length of residence in city or town where death occurred <u>25</u> yrs. - mos. - ds.		How long in U. S., if of foreign birth <u>25</u> yrs. - mos. - ds.		
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS				
3. SEX <u>Male</u>	4. COLOR OR RACE <u>White</u>	5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, or DIVORCED <u>Widowed</u> (Write the word)		
6a. If married, widowed or divorced HUSBAND of (or) WIFE of <u>Mary Madeline Brasile</u>				
6. DATE OF BIRTH <u>unknown</u>				
7. AGE <u>58</u> years	Months _____	Days _____	If LESS than 1 day _____ hrs. OR _____ min.?	
8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED <u>Labourer</u> (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) <u>R.R. Tracks</u> (c) Name of employer <u>Not employed</u>				
9. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) <u>Acerra</u> (State or Country) <u>Italy</u>				
10. NAME OF FATHER <u>Angelo Brasile</u>				
11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER <u>Acerra</u> (City or Town) <u>Italy</u>				
12. MARRIAGE OF MOTHER <u>Raffaella</u>				
13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER <u>Acerra</u> (City or Town) <u>Italy</u>				
14. INFORMANT <u>James Brasile</u> (personal signature with pen and ink) P. O. Address <u>2149 W. Harrison St.</u>				
15. Filed <u>1928 DEC 24 AM 9:51</u> Registrar. _____ P. O. Address _____ Ill.				
MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH				
16. DATE OF DEATH (month, day, year) <u>Dec. 22</u> 19 <u>28</u>				
17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from <u>Dec 20</u> 19 <u>28</u> , to <u>Dec 22</u> 19 <u>28</u> , that I last saw him <u>alive on Dec 22</u> 19 <u>28</u> and that death occurred, on the date above, at <u>1230 P. M.</u> The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: <u>Coroac. Arteriosclerosis</u> (Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.				
18. Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death? _____ Was an operation performed? <u>no</u> , Date of _____ For what disease or injury? _____ Was there an autopsy? <u>no</u> What test confirmed diagnosis? <u>Microsc.</u> (Signed) <u>W. H. ...</u> M. D. Address <u>...</u> Date <u>Dec 22</u> 19 <u>28</u> Telephone <u>...</u>				
*N. B.—State the disease causing death. All cases of death from "violence, casualty, or any undue means" must be referred to the coroner. See Section 16, Coroner's Act.				
19. PLACE OF BURIAL, Cremation or Removal <u>St. Charles</u>			21. DATE <u>Dec 26</u> 19 <u>28</u>	
Cemetery _____			Location _____ (Township, Road Dist., Village or City)	
County <u>Cook</u>			State <u>Ill.</u>	
20. UNDERTAKER <u>...</u>			ADDRESS <u>624 W. ...</u>	
(personal signature with pen and ink)			(firm name, if any)	

Illinois Department of Public Health, certificate of death no. 37789 (1928), Cuono "Gaetano" Brasile; Division of Vital Records, Springfield, Illinois, United States, photocopied certificate supplied by clerk, 25 January 2022, in possession of author.

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## Document 2: Rachela T. Scalise 1895 Birth Record

Rachela was also known as Caroline or Carrie Scalise

REGISTER OF BIRTHS,																
Number	NAME	Sex	No. of Children	Date of Birth	PLACE OF BIRTH			FATHER'S			MOTHER'S					
					Street	Ward	Locality	Place Where Born	Age	Religion	Place Where Born	Residence, if other than place of birth	Father's Name	Father's Occupation	Name of Party Attending & Making Return	
6201	[blotted]	[blotted]	[blotted]	7 7	22	167	Greening St.		Italy		Italy					
6202	[blotted]	[blotted]	[blotted]	m 5	1	160	W. Ohio St.		"		"					
6203	Rachela T. Scalise	F	[blotted]	7 20	3	328	Desplains St.		Italy		Italy					
						767	W. Taylor St.									

CITY OF CHICAGO, 1895					
MOTHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME	Mother's Residence, if other than place of birth	FATHER'S NAME	Father's Occupation	Name of Party Attending & Making Return
[blotted]	[blotted]		[blotted]	Public Laborer	[blotted]
Theresa Scalise	Theresa Scalise		Theresa Scalise	Laborer	John J. Fosbier

“Illinois, Cook County Birth Registers, 1871-1915,” database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:S3HY-6QLW-S17> : accessed 27 November 2021), Image Group 4271379, image 546 of 1264, 1895 section, no volume listed, handwritten p. 325, entry 4, Rachela Scalise; citing Register Book 31, Cook County Courthouse, Chicago, United States. NOTE: Names blotted out for privacy concerns.

# Document 3: Caroline Cappilupo 1969 Death Record

REGISTRATION DISTRICT NO. <b>16.24</b>		STATE OF ILLINOIS		STATE FILE NUMBER <b>69-040527</b>	
REGISTERED NUMBER <b>645</b>		<b>MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH</b>			
DECEASED—NAME 1. <b>Caroline Cappilupo</b>			SEX <b>Female</b>	DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) <b>3. July 12, 1969</b>	
RACE (SPECIFY) <b>White</b>	AGE—LAST BIRTHDAY (YRS.) <b>50.74</b>	UNDER 1 YEAR MOS. DAYS	UNDER 1 DAY HOURS MIN.	DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) <b>April 15, 1895</b>	
CITY, TOWN, TWP. OR ROAD DISTRICT NUMBER <b>Oak Park</b>		INSIDE CITY (YES/NO) <b>Yes</b>	HOSPITAL OR OTHER INSTITUTION—NAME <b>Oak Park Hospital</b>		
BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR FOREIGN COUNTRY) <b>Illinois</b>	CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY <b>United States</b>	MARRIED, NEVER MARRIED, WIDOWED, DIVORCED (SPECIFY) <b>Widowed</b>		NAME OF SURVIVING SPOUSE (IF WIFE, GIVE MAIDEN NAME) <b>None</b>	
SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER <b>359-24-8867</b>	USUAL OCCUPATION <b>Homemaker</b>	KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY <b>Own home</b>		U.S. WAR VETERAN; WAR OR DATES OF SERVICE (YES/NO) <b>No</b>	
RESIDENCE STATE <b>Illinois</b>	CITY, TOWN, TWP. OR ROAD DISTRICT NO. <b>Cook</b>	INSIDE CITY (YES/NO) <b>Yes</b>	STREET AND NUMBER <b>1168 S. Clinton Avenue</b>		
FATHER—NAME <b>James Scalise</b>			MOTHER—MAIDEN NAME <b>Nancy Pennetta</b>		
INFORMANT'S SIGNATURE <i>Antonio Brasile</i>		RELATIONSHIP <b>Hospital Records</b>	MAILING ADDRESS (STREET AND NO. OR R. F. D., CITY OR TOWN, STATE, ZIP) <b>1525 Wisconsin Ave., Oak Park, Ill. 60304</b>		
PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY: (ENTER ONLY ONE CAUSE PER LINE FOR (a), (b), AND (c))					
IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) <b>ACUTE CARDIAC DILATATION</b>					APPROXIMATE INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH <b>ACUTE</b>
CONDITIONS, IF ANY, WHICH GAVE RISE TO IMMEDIATE CAUSE (b) STATING THE UNDERLYING CAUSE LAST. (b) <b>CARDIO VASCULAR RENAL DISEASE</b>					<b>2yrs</b>
(c) <b>DIABETES MELLITUS 4yrs (COMA acute)</b>					<b>4yrs</b>
PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS: CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO CAUSE GIVEN IN PART I (d)					AUTOPSY (YES/NO) <b>19a. No</b>
DATE OF OPERATION, IF ANY; MAJOR FINDINGS OF OPERATION					IF YES, WERE FINDINGS CONSIDERED IN DETERMINING CAUSE OF DEATH <b>19b. YES</b>
I CERTIFY THAT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE THIS DEATH OCCURRED AT <b>2:55 P.M.</b> ON THE DATE, AT THE PLACE AND FROM THE CAUSE(S) STATED					
I ATTENDED THE DECEASED FROM: MONTH DAY YEAR <b>65 TO 21 July 12 69</b>		AND LAST SAW HIM/HER ALIVE ON: MONTH DAY YEAR <b>July 12 69</b>		NOTE: IF AN INJURY WAS INVOLVED IN THIS DEATH, THE CORONER MUST BE NOTIFIED.	
SIGNATURE <i>Paul J. Arnal</i>		DATE SIGNED (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) <b>7/13/69</b>		ILLINOIS LICENSE NUMBER <b>18912</b>	
MAILING ADDRESS—CERTIFIER <b>503 Main St Maywood Ill</b>		CITY OR TOWN <b>60153</b>		STATE <b>Illinois</b>	
BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (SPECIFY) <b>Burial</b>	CEMETERY OR CREMATORY—NAME <b>Queen Of Heaven</b>	LOCATION <b>Hillside Illinois</b>	CITY OR TOWN	STATE	DATE (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) <b>July 15, 1969</b>
FUNERAL HOME <b>Columbian Funeral Home</b>	NAME <b>6621 W. North Ave.</b>	CITY OR TOWN <b>Oak Park Illinois</b>	STATE	ZIP <b>60302</b>	
FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE <i>Alex Carbonaro</i>		FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S ILLINOIS LICENSE NUMBER <b>4495</b>			
LOCAL REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE <i>Hugh P. ...</i>		DATE REC'D. BY LOCAL REGISTRAR (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) <b>July 14, 1969</b>			

Illinois Department of Public Health, medical certificate of death no. 69-040527 (1969), Caroline Cappilupo; Division of Vital Records, Springfield, Illinois, United States, photocopied certificate supplied by clerk, 25 January 2022, in possession of author.

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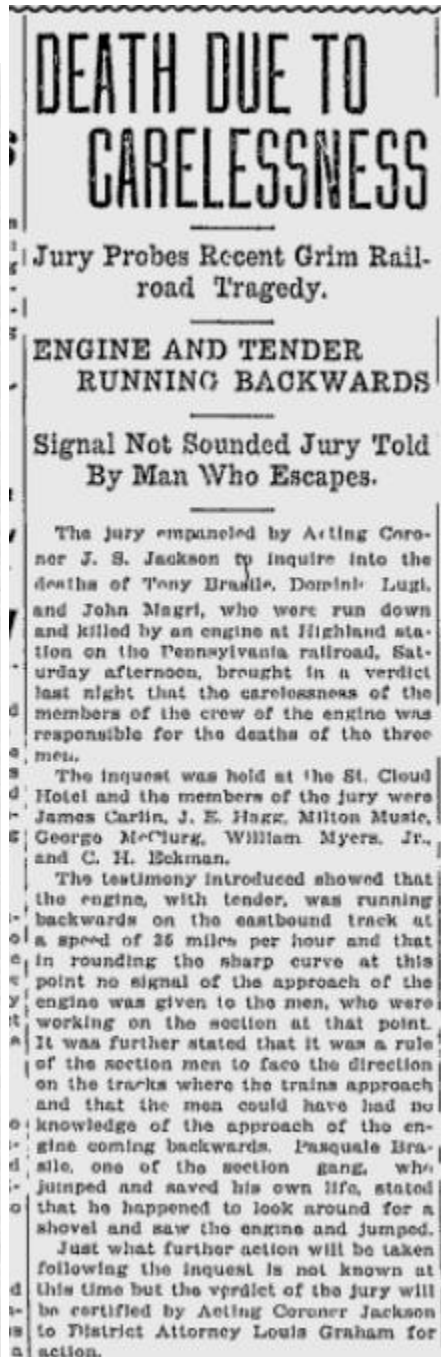
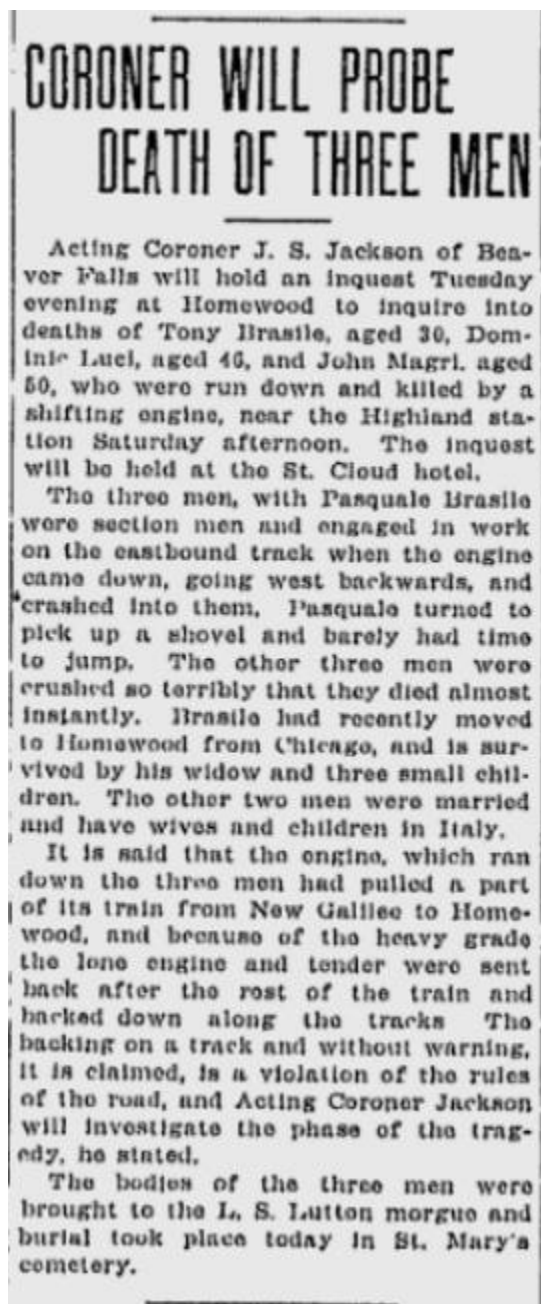


Document 4: Article About Antonio Brasile's 1920 Death



"Engine Kills Three Railroad Laborers," *The Pittsburgh Press Sun* (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania), Sunday, 19 January 1919, additional classified section p. 8, col. 6; digital images, *Google News*, (<https://news.google.com/newspapers?nid=djft3U1LymYC&dat=19190119&printsec=frontpage&hl=en> : accessed 29 March 2022), image 48 of 80.

## Documents 5 and 6: Inquest Into Antonio Brasile's Death



“Coroner Will Probe Death of Three Men,” *The Daily Times* (Beaver, Pennsylvania), Monday, 20 January 1919, front page, col. 3; digital images, Google News (<https://news.google.com/newspapers?nid=0MsrIDK0EWAC&date=19190118&printsec=frontpage&hl=en> : accessed 22 June 2022). Also, “Death Due to Carelessness: Jury Probes Recent Grim Railroad Tragedy,” *The Daily Times* (Beaver, Pennsylvania), Wednesday, 22 January 1919, front page, col. 4.

## Documents 7: Frank Cappilupo's Obituary

### **Heart Attack Is Fatal To Frank Cappilupo**

Frank P. Cappilupo, 67, of Clinton avenue, Oak Park, died in his home of a heart attack December 3. He was a native of Italy. Before moving to Oak Park a year ago Mr. Cappilupo had been a resident of River Forest for 50 years. He was a member of St. Bernardine's church and had previously been a long time member of St. Luke's Catholic church in River Forest.

He was the husband of Caroline, nee Scalise; father of Morris, Theresa Kurtz, Anthony Brasile, Antoinette Nettleton, Marie Dunn, Frank Jr., Jean Evoy and the late Nancy Brasile; brother of Mary Defazio; grandfather of 13 and great-grandfather of one.

The funeral December 6 was from the Columbian funeral home to St. Bernardine's church, where requiem high Mass was offered. Interment was at Queen of Heaven cemetery.

"Heart Attack is Fatal to Frank Cappilupo," *Forest Leaves* (River Forest, Illinois), Thursday, 13 December 1962, p. 70, col. 2; digital images, *Digital Archives of the River Forest Public Library* ([https://riverforest.advantage-preservation.com/viewer/?k=cappilupo&t=30316&i=t&by=1962&bdd=1960&d=12131962-12131962&m=between&ord=k1&fn=forest\\_leaves\\_usa\\_illinois\\_oak\\_park\\_19621213\\_english\\_72&df=1&dt=1](https://riverforest.advantage-preservation.com/viewer/?k=cappilupo&t=30316&i=t&by=1962&bdd=1960&d=12131962-12131962&m=between&ord=k1&fn=forest_leaves_usa_illinois_oak_park_19621213_english_72&df=1&dt=1) : accessed 30 March 2022).

Notes:

Items left out of the narrative.

Giovanni Brasile 1768-1844

Testified his father is Gregorio in Angelo's Matrimoni Processetti

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9TN-L3C2?i=327&cc=1937990&cat=2464899>

Informant on mother or step mother's 1813 death record

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89P9-YVF4?i=117&wc=WK1S-VN4%3A1592882490%2C1593312514&cc=1935404>

Acquaintance

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Ignazio Nicola Brasile

The death record says 1830 but it was 1831. Informants were brother Domenico Brasile and uncle Aniello Brasile.

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-L9PC-ONG9?i=98&wc=WKNG-XRC%3A1592882490%2C1593792415&cc=1935404>

Angelo Brasile 1809-1861

Appears as an informant and the nephew or grandson of Vittoria Salvato who had remarried.

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-L9PC-OG5D?i=59&wc=WKNG-XYY%3A1592882490%2C1594292359&cc=1935404>

Domenico Brasile abt. 1806 to aft. 1855

Uncle of Pasquale Fontana

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Nephew of Francesca di Felice widow of Aniello Brasile

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Informant on Alfonzo Malafront's death record

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Uncle to Raffaella Cirillo and brother to Raffaella Brasile

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Mario Brasile abt. 1803-1831

Informant on Giuseppa Anastasia's death record

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QSQ-G9PC-QOB2?i=116&wc=WKNG-XYN%3A1592882490%2C1594292352&cc=1935404>

Uncle of Paolo Brasile son of Erasmo

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QSQ-G9PC-QOYF?i=115&wc=WKNG-XYN%3A1592882490%2C1594292352&cc=1935404>

Informant for Palma Brasile's son

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QSQ-G9PC-O7MY?i=27&wc=WKNG-XYN%3A1592882490%2C1594292352&cc=1935404>

Informant for Romicaldo Pisacane's death

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89P9-YPYV?i=91&wc=WK1S-V2F%3A1592882490%2C1592952466&cc=1935404>

Acquaintance of deceased

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-L9P9-YBBF?i=54&wc=WKNG-DVZ%3A1592882490%2C1592952456&cc=1935404>

Informant, probably acquaintance of deceased Rachela Langella

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-89PC-OXOD?i=90&wc=WKNG-XB9%3A1592882490%2C1594292347&cc=1935404>

Nipote of Antonio Brasile - not sure that is accurate

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-89PC-OX49?i=75&wc=WKNG-XB9%3A1592882490%2C1594292347&cc=1935404>

Uncle of Michele Fontana

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-89PC-QJH8?i=78&wc=WKNG-XT5%3A1592882490%2C1593782527&cc=1935404>

Michele Gregorio Brasile 1824-

Informant on Maddalena Cicillo's death record

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Michele Brasile is brother to Paolo Brasile married to Fortunata

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Erasmus Brasile about 1780-

Informant on niece's death record

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-89P9-1Z93?i=12&wc=WKNG-X5L%3A1592882490%2C1593782565&cc=1935404>

Niptoe of Guistina Brasile

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Salvatore Brasile 1821-1851

Cousin of Ferdinando Montefusco Italy, Salerno, Civil Registration (State Archive), 1806-1949;

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9PV-VVR1?i=47&cc=1935404&cat=2379091>

Sebastiano Brasile 1803-1862

Informant on Michelangelo Paduanao's death record.

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Andrea Giacomo Brasile 1799-

Informant on Giuseppe d'Amore's death record

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Uncle of Irena Pannone

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Informant on Domenico Candilena's death record

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9PN-Z3WJ-G?i=112&wc=WKNG-XY1%3A1592882490%2C1593772452&cc=1935404>

Informant for Manzuito Romano's death.

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-L9PC-OG2D?i=107&wc=WKNG-XY1%3A1592882490%2C1594292359&cc=1935404>

Nicola Brasile abt. 1792-

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Brother of the deceased on Sebastiano's death record  
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9PV-V2F?i=192&cc=1935404&cat=2379091>

Listed as son on Maria Michela Rendina's death record.  
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9PN-ZSTS-5?i=17&wc=W2HB-BD4%3A1592882490%2C1593782520&cc=1935404>

Informant on Cirillo widow of Angelo di Conceillio's death record.  
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9PN-Z3MS-T?i=134&wc=W2HB-BZB%3A1592882490%2C1593782511&cc=1935404>

Informant on Michela Vitiello's death record.  
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9PN-Z3M8-O?i=85&wc=W2HB-BZB%3A1592882490%2C1593782511&cc=1935404>

Brother of Luigi Brasile  
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS8W-M9VT-J?i=25&wc=WK26-FDV%3A1592882490%2C1593122423&cc=1935404>

Brother of Michelangelo Brasile husband of Luigia Giordone.  
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CS8W-M9V6-L?i=23&wc=WK26-FDV%3A1592882490%2C1593122423&cc=1935404>

Informant on Gennaro Catalono's death record.  
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9PN-C2K4?i=85&wc=WKNG-X1D%3A1592882490%2C1593772404&cc=1935404>

Antonio Michele Brasile 1784-1826  
Informant on brother-in-law Michele di Falco's death record along with Michele's son-in-law Nicolantonio di Felice.  
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89P9-1CBV?i=11&wc=WKNG-X5L%3A1592882490%2C1593782565&cc=1935404>

Teresa Brasile 1765-1851  
Nephew Gaetano Giorgio was an informant on her death record.  
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9PV-VVTH?i=203&cc=1935404&cat=2379091>

Francesco Brasile 1782-1830  
Informant on Sabato Nardiello's death record  
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89PC-QJVC?i=70&wc=WKNG-X1H%3A1592882490%2C1593782521&cc=1935404>

Informant on Giuseppa Vorro's death record  
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89P9-YR1D?i=65&wc=WKNG-DVC%3A1592882490%2C1593162600&cc=1935404>

Nipote of Eleonora Palumbo  
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89P9-YTMN?i=38&wc=WKNG-DVC%3A1592882490%2C1593162600&cc=1935404>

Aquaintance of Giovanni  
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89P9-YVF8?i=98&wc=WK1S-VN4%3A1592882490%2C159312514&cc=1935404>

Aquaintance of Salvia Vitiello  
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-L9P9-1HDZ?i=90&wc=WKNG-X54%3A1592882490%2C1593782559&cc=1935404>

Aniello Brasile 1772-1848  
Cousin of Giuseppe Brasile married to Maria Michela Rendina  
<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QS7-89PC-QJK4?i=64&wc=WKNG-X1H%3A1592882490%2C1593782521&cc=1935404>

Brother-in-law of Angiola Grabiello wife of Giovanni Brasile

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Relative of Michelangelo Saviano

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QSQ-G9P9-YFFN?i=100&wc=WK1S-VGW%3A1592882490%2C1593212784&cc=1935404>

Ancestor of Pietro Brasile

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Uncle of Borbara Caratenuto wife of Malafrente

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Ancestor of Domenico Saviano

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Nephew of Michelangelo Brasile

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Nipote of Don Crescenzo Salvato a priest, his mother's brother

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Informant on Guistina Brasile's death record

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QSQ-89PC-O87R?i=90&wc=W2HB-BZJ%3A1592882490%2C1593782524&cc=1935404>

Ancestor of Domenico Soriano

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Nipote of Francesco Riccado

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Aquaintance of Michele Fontana

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Son-in-law of Magno di Felice married to Antonia Vaccaro

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3QSQ-G9P9-1QDK?i=56&wc=WKNG-X21%3A1592882490%2C1593782553&cc=1935404>

Sabato Brasile 1769-1856

Brother-in-law of Teresa Vollare

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Aquaintance of Caterina Panaciello

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Aquaintance of Antonio Borrelli

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Domenico Ludovico Brasile 1791-1854

Relative of Domenico Ciriello

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Relative of Vitantonio Brasile

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Son-in-law of Michela Maifano

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Son of Giovanni Brasile and Teresa Vollaro

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Aquaintance of the deceased

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Severino Brasile 1791-1847

Aquaintance of Maria Teresa Rendina

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Informant on Anella Langella's death record.

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Informant on Maria Giuseppa Sorrentino's death record.

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Brother-in-law of Raffaele Pascale (wife's brother)

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Informant on Rosa Carotuento's death record.

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Informant on Vitantonio Brasile's death record.

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q57-89P9-YR4M?i=96&wc=WK1S-VX6%3A1592882490%2C1592952419&cc=1935404>

Michele Brasile about 1750

Informant on Maria Vitiello's death record.

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Son of Vittoria Villone

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Informant on Lucida di Lallo's death record.

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Informant on Orlando Frienga death record.

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Aquaintance

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Gaetano Brasile 1816-



Informant on Pasquale Vellcia's death record.

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Nipote of Maria Agnessa Cavallaro widow of Parize

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Pasquale Brasile 1794-

Neighbor of Pasquale Manzo; Magno Brasile was the other witness.

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Ancestor of Giuseppe Vatore

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Informant on Isabella Salvati wife of Gregorio Brasile's death record.

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Brother-in-law of Gregorio Sicignano

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Diodato Nappi 1796-1842

Uncle of Maria Fontana

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Magno Brasile 1821-

Informant with Pasquale Brasile on Pasquale Manzo's death.

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Informant on Benedetto Iorco's death record.

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Informant on Giuseppa Brasile's death record.

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-C9PT-79WR?i=166&wc=W2HB-B82%3A1592882490%2C1594302310&cc=1935404>

Informant for Annunziata Malafronte wife of Aniello Brasile.

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Neighbor of Gennaro Francesco Paolo Fortunato.

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Informant on Francesco Malafronte's death record.

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Brother-in-law of Caterina Sicignano wife of Pascale Brasile.

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Informant on Raffaele Arcella's death record.

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Informant on Elisabeta Cirillo daughter of Rachela Brasile's death record.

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