

Frank B. Zottola

Port Chester, NY

- 1916 Frank Zottola is born to Italian immigrant parents in Stamford, CT on February 7th (census)
- 1930 Frank with parents in Stamford, #15 New St. (census)
- 1935 Frank living in Stamford (census)
- 1940 Frank is married to Marie and living with her parents in Fairfield, CT who had moved there from Port Chester, NY. He is listed as a musician for the WPA. (census)
- 1947 son Glenn born in Port Chester, NY
- 1949 Frank is director and staff conductor for the Westchester Pops Concerts and the Port Chester Symphonic Orchestra (news article)
- 1952 Franks starts developing his stepped taper mouthpiece design (Glenn Zottola)
- 1954 Frank starts his mouthpiece company; one address shown in undated ad is #40 Beech St (bottom left, center door)
- 1955 Frank files for his mouthpiece patent (top drawings)
- 1956 Frank is conductor of the Westchester Pops Orchestra and the Musician's Association Concert Band (news article)
- 1957 Frank granted patent #2,798,402 for his mouthpiece
- 1983 Frank is still making his mouthpieces in Port Chester (*Yonkers Herald Statesman*, Dec. 13, 1983)
- 1999 Frank dies in Greenwich, CT on May 13th; self-employed musician; address is #32 Browndale Place, Port Chester (death cert.) (bottom center photo)
- 20?? Zottola mouthpieces is purchased by Dick Akright of A&G Music in Oakland, CA with plans to put them back in production (as of 2018 this has not happened)
- 2018 RS Berkeley is making the Glenn Zottola trumpet mouthpiece based on a modification Frank made in 1979

Cornet & trumpet mouthpieces are series 62 (smallest diameter cup), 64 & 66 with letters A to E designating deep to shallow depth. He also could make a different "Symphony" backbone.

