

25 Years of Delicious Barbeque...and The Ursini Story

1965 – Fran and wife Karen leave the harsh elements of Illinois for the Golden State of California

1966 – Fran referees his 1st High School Football game

1984 – Fran opens Newport Rib Company and serves delicious barbeque to his first customers

1986 – Rib Company catering makes its debut serving the Boy Scouts of Costa Mesa

1987 - Rib Company sells its first 1 Million Baby Back Rib.

1989 – Fran's oldest son and UCLA graduate John joins the Newport Rib Company

1992 – Fran & Karen's second son Dave joins the family business

1992 – The Ursini family purchases Naples Rib Company of Long Beach, expanding into Los Angeles County

1996 – Fran and Karen become grandparents: John & Kathy and Dave & Krista both have little girls

1996 – Fran & Karen's youngest child and only daughter, Laura Ursini, becomes Laura Marroquin

1996 – Rib Company caters its 1,000th High School event serving Edison boys volleyball

1996 – Rib Company caters 1st UCLA tailgate event at the Rose Bowl and the Papac Memorial fundraiser is born

1998 – First set of twins born to the Ursini family: John & Kathy welcome Nicolas & Angelo

1999 – Fran & Karen's new son-in-law and fellow restaurateur Jerry Marroquin joins the family business

1999 – Newport Rib Company moves to current location at 2196 Harbor Blvd in Costa Mesa

1999 – 'Baby' back ribs get new spokespeople as Rib Company Babies make their debut

2002 – Ursini family welcomes 2nd set of twins: Laura & Jerry welcome Justin & Jessica

2004 – Newport Rib Companies celebrate 20th Anniversary with *20 Days of Charity*

2004 - Rib Company sells 10 Millionth Baby Back Rib

2005 – After 6 months in construction, Newport Rib Company @ Ladera Ranch opens; Jerry & Laura take over 3rd family restaurant

2006- Fran referees his 1000 High School Football game.

2008 – Catering hits it big with largest group event ever: 2,500 served delicious barbeque @ UCI

2008 – Newport Rib Company @ Ladera Ranch hosts its first banquet in newly enclosed patio: Mary & Bill's 25th Wedding Anniversary

2008 – Newport Rib Companies celebrate 25th Anniversary with *25 Days of Charity*