



Joseph C. D'Autorio

March 21, 1934 - November 26, 2023

Joseph C. D'Autorio, 89, of Sarasota, peacefully passed away on November 26, 2023, surrounded by his loving family. He was born on March 21, 1934, in New Jersey to Louis and Anna D'Autorio.

Joseph, fondly known as "Joe" by his friends and family, will be remembered as a man of integrity and a great sense of humor. Throughout his life, Joe exemplified the values of his Catholic faith, always prioritizing the needs of others and lending a helping hand. He embraced everyone he met as a friend and provided unwavering support to his beloved friends and family. Above all, Joe centered his life around his family, especially his devoted wife of 65 years, Dorothy.

Joe proudly served in the U.S. Army for eight years before embarking on a successful career with American Can Company. Balancing work and education, he attended night school at Seton Hall University and obtained his bachelor's degree in Business Management. His thirty-year career culminated with his role as a Vice President at Primerica Financial Services. Following retirement, Joe served on the Board of Directors at Spencer Savings Bank for nearly five years before relocating from Connecticut to Sarasota, Florida. He also dedicated over twenty years serving on the House of the Sun Condominium Board of Directors.

In his leisure time, Joe was often found coaching his sons in basketball, hockey, football, and baseball, leaving a lasting impact on their lives. He was an avid fan of Notre Dame and the Giants and could always be found supporting his favorite teams. Joe possessed a remarkable talent for painting and created countless works of art, which he lovingly shared with his family. He also delighted in taking road trips along the coast to visit his siblings in New Jersey.

Joseph is survived by his cherished wife, Dorothy, and their loving children: Dorothy (Bruce), Joseph (Debbie), Patty (Donald), Kenneth (Jessica), Michael (Kate), Anna (Bill), and Christopher (Laurie Anne). He will be deeply missed by his numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren, totaling over twenty-five beloved individuals. Joseph is also survived by his sister, Nancy Forgione (Herk).

He is preceded in death by his siblings Vincent, Claire, Salvatore, Josephine, Edward, August, Lena, and Louis, as well as his parents, Anna and Louis.

A service to honor Joseph's remarkable life will be held on December 2nd at 1:00 pm at St. Thomas More Catholic Church in Sarasota.

A second memorial mass will be held in Connecticut at a later date at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that donations be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital in memory of Joseph's compassionate nature and his dedication to supporting those in need.

Previous Events

Service

DEC 2. 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Thomas More Catholic Church
2506 Gulf Gate Dr
Sarasota, FL 34231-5731
(941) 923-1691

Tribute Wall

AC

“ *I miss you dad! I love you.*



Anna Clayton - December 18, 2023 at 09:00 PM

AC

“ *Anna Clayton lit a candle in memory of Joseph C. D'Autorio*



Anna Clayton - December 18, 2023 at 08:56 PM

SC

“ *Keeping you all in my prayers and close to my heart at this very sad time. I have the most fond memories of times spent together throughout my childhood. Mr. D was truly one of a kind. His impact and legacy will live on in all he touched.*

*With love and sympathy,
Shannon (Plank) Curioso*

shannon curioso - December 02, 2023 at 11:48 AM

CH

“ *Mrs. D and family, we are so sorry for your loss of Mr.D, Our thoughts and Prayers are with all of you at this sad time.*
Charlie and Sandi Plank

Charlie - December 02, 2023 at 10:58 AM



“ *2 files added to the album Joe D and Family*



Don Clady - December 02, 2023 at 10:40 AM

DC

“ *1 file added to the album Joe D and Family*



don clady - December 01, 2023 at 11:18 AM

CJ

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Cynthia Galas Johnson - December 01, 2023 at 04:25 AM

CJ

“ Dearest Dorothy, Joey, Dorothy, Patty, Ken, Mike, Anna & Chris, Joe was the best of men, one of the kindest, sweetest most compassionate and truly good people I've ever known. I cherish the memories of visits in NY and Danbury; your visit to Pittsburgh to see Chris play Duquesne and visit with me and my girls; meeting in DC (Chris was playing against Georgetown); and my visits to Sarasota. Always kind, loving, generous and just GOOD. You all were so blessed to have him for so many years. I hope the loving memories ease the pain of his loss. I did donate to St Jude's, one of my own favorite charities, in honor this year of Joe. Joe made the world a better place. With much affection and sorrow, Cynthia adding a few photos I love, & some of the beautiful paintings Joe created
Dotty & kids feel free to edit



Cynthia Galas Johnson - December 01, 2023 at 04:24 AM

CG

“ Cynthia G. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Joseph C. D'Autorio.



Cynthia G. - December 01, 2023 at 03:36 AM

MD

“ *The D'Autorio Family understands that not all of Joe's family and friends can attend the Celebration of Life Service on Saturday, but it will be livestreamed. Here is the website: <https://www.stthomasmoresrq.org/>
Attached is a screenshot of the home page button. Approximately 10 minutes before the Mass is to begin, anyone can click on the blue button and a live shot of the Chapel is in view.*

Michael DAutorio - November 30, 2023 at 04:06 PM

CJ

Michael, my hearing is very bad-- will the service be Zoom caption enabled?

Cynthia Galas Johnson - December 01, 2023 at 04:27 AM

NH

“ *Nancy and Herk purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Joseph C. D'Autorio.*



Nancy and Herk - November 30, 2023 at 03:22 PM

SS

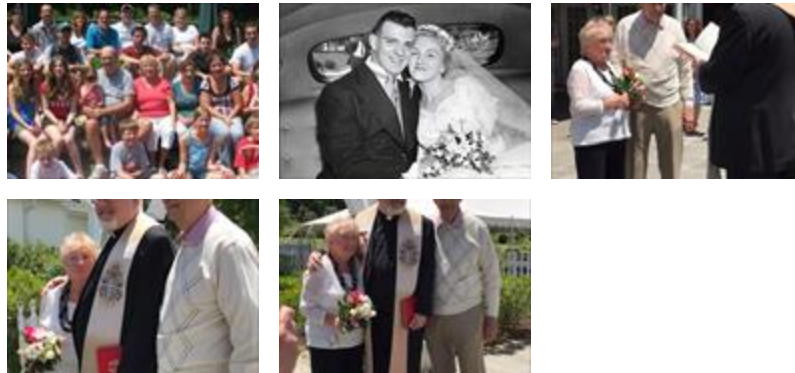
“ *Steve and I were so privileged to have known you. I will cherish the memories we made throughout the years.
Rest in eternal peace my dear friend*



Sandra Sterusky - November 30, 2023 at 12:24 PM

DC

“ 21 files added to the album Joe D and Family



don clady - November 29, 2023 at 06:12 PM

DC

<https://www.facebook.com/48804004/videos/291557983882711?idorvanity=100000086558267>

don clady - November 30, 2023 at 09:49 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Joseph C. D'Autorio.



November 29, 2023 at 04:34 PM

FC

“ Frank and Cathy Contorno planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph C. D'Autorio.

Frank and Cathy Contorno - November 29, 2023 at 04:34 PM

JS

“ Justin Ego & House of the Sun planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph C. D'Autorio.

Justin Ego & House of the Sun - November 29, 2023 at 02:15 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Joseph C. D'Autorio.



November 29, 2023 at 02:15 PM

“ Autumn Angel Gone

Wives, husbands, sons and daughters, Mom's, Dad's and sisters too and not to forget our fallen brothers is what we bring to you.

Our loss is your gain LORD, each one to us divine, as we've laid to rest these thoughts and souls and await our chosen time.

2023 on an Autumn day is when he came they'd say, to call his Autumn Angels back, by his side is where they'll stay.

He's gifted them, which they've gifted us, a verse along the way, to spread the words of cherished thoughts and tales of yesterday.

As we've met and formed new friendships, with thoughts alike we'd be, with gifted paths and selflessness, together we all would see.

GOD knows all and we his servants trust all he'd say and do, and one day we too will stand by his side and there we'll wait for you.

Respect we gave, Respect they say, Respect as we have known and fears we've held, loves endless ways is all they've ever shown.

Now take your Autumn Angels LORD and save a place for me, and will bring our scribes and gifted words and leave behind our seeds.

Remain faithful and I'll greet you, near the golden gate he's shown, with open arms I'll wait to meet you, with a love we've always known.

But should you then forsake me, here I'll wait and you will see, always in your dreams he'll make me, remind you as I'd be.

Perhaps not all of glory, just a simple heart and soul, with a gift of knowing I've done the job, that our GOD and I have known.

So think of me each day, when a sunset touches you, or a moon lit night caresses your brow and the thoughts would come to you.

I've chosen a path with no regrets and asked not much of him, and perhaps the time will come so graciously and our GOD would let us in.

So call your Autumn Angels LORD, as they all have come to be, the gifter's of the gifted scribes and the words you've gifted me.

Written by Don Clady

Rest In Peace Dad :(

don clady - November 29, 2023 at 01:02 PM