



## Joseph Michael Sheehan

October 18, 1943 - September 22, 2022

Joseph Michael Sheehan passed away peacefully with his family by his side on September 22, 2022. Joe was born October 18, 1943, in Somerville, MA and eventually settled in Revere, MA.

Joe bravely served in the Vietnam War as a proud member of the Falcons, the 325th Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division. The experiences and friendships from the 82nd Airborne played an important role throughout his life. Joe loved spending time with his brothers in arms from the 82nd Airborne and looked forward to their annual trip to Fort Bragg to celebrate All American Week.

After returning home from Vietnam, Joe joined the telephone company where he held several roles in Field Operations. Joe found his true calling in Corporate Security at Verizon, after he was able to track down, apprehend, and detain a suspect that had stolen his telephone company vehicle. Throughout his career, he was regarded as a skilled investigator—working closely with the FBI, Police and Homeland Security on a number of high-profile investigations.

In 1973, Joe married his wife and best friend, Judy Sheehan. Together they raised two children, Erik and Noelle. Joe was a model husband and father and the definition of hard work, sacrifice and loyalty. He started working at 8 years

old and for over 30 years he worked two jobs, including refereeing basketball games for the Boston Celtics. He stood up for what was right and would do anything for his family and friends. He was always there to lend an ear or provide advice, whether you asked for it or not. Joe could tell a story like no other and would start a conversation with anyone, anywhere. He enjoyed making people laugh and smile wherever he went. He will be deeply missed not just by his family, but by everyone who had the good fortune to know him.

Joe is survived by his loving wife of almost 50 years, Judy, and their beloved children and their spouses, Erik and wife Phyllis; Noelle and husband Ed Tully, and grandchildren Jax, Jordan and Easton, and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Ellen (McAuliffe) Sheehan, and brother, Michael.

Visitation will be from 1:00PM-4:00PM on Sunday, October 2nd, 2022, at Toale Brothers Funeral Home, 40 N. Orange Ave, Sarasota, FL.

On Monday, October 3rd, 2022, at 11:00AM, a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at The Church of Saint Patrick, 7900 Bee Ridge Rd., Sarasota, FL.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 2. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Toale Brothers Funeral Home & Crematory-Colonial Chapel  
40 N. Orange Avenue  
Sarasota, FL 34236

## Mass of Christian Burial

OCT 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

Church of St. Patrick Catholic Church  
7900 Bee Ridge Road  
Sarasota, FL 34241

# Tribute Wall



“ Dear Judy,Erik and Noelle,  
Sitting here and thinking about Joe. I will never forget how sincerely kind he was to my children. His kindness was so needed. It took me a while to express condolences. But believe me it's not always easy to find the right words. I will always remember him. A true soldier. Love to all of you fun all of us.

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**Deb milito** - December 02, 2022 at 06:13 AM



“ Best of California Wine Gift Basket was purchased for the family of Joseph Michael Sheehan.



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October 12, 2022 at 01:39 PM



“ Best of California Wine Gift Basket was purchased for the family of Joseph Michael Sheehan.



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October 02, 2022 at 10:24 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Joseph Michael Sheehan.



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October 01, 2022 at 11:15 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Joseph Michael Sheehan.



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September 30, 2022 at 01:46 PM



“ *Nikki & Linda Ryder purchased the A New Sunrise Spray* for the family of Joseph Michael Sheehan.



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**Nikki & Linda Ryder** - September 30, 2022 at 01:13 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Joseph Michael Sheehan.



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September 29, 2022 at 09:01 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joseph Michael Sheehan.*



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September 28, 2022 at 12:25 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joseph Michael Sheehan.*



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September 27, 2022 at 08:55 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joseph Michael Sheehan.*



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September 27, 2022 at 03:10 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Joseph Michael Sheehan.*



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September 27, 2022 at 02:59 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Joseph Michael Sheehan.



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September 26, 2022 at 06:25 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Joseph Michael Sheehan.



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September 26, 2022 at 05:44 PM