



Joseph Giusto

September 4, 1919 - September 1, 2015

Joseph Giusto, 95, of Bradley, passed away Tuesday (Sept. 1, 2015) at his home.

He was born Sept. 4, 1919, in Kankakee, the son of Mike and Frances Spoto Giusto. Joseph married Alice Hardesty on Sept. 14, 1940. She preceded him in death in 1960. He then married Gina Panzeca on June 30, 1962. She preceded him in death on May 15, 2005.

Mr. Giusto was a retired employee of Roper Corporation, Bradley and Kankakee; and also had been a meat cutter. He was a lifetime member of the Bradley-Bourbonnais Senior Citizens' Club, and was an early bird swimmer at Bradley-Bourbonnais Community High School. He was member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Bradley, where he was an usher, greeter and eucharistic minister. Joseph also was a member of the Holy Name Society, Sons of Italy and Madonna Della Rocca.

Surviving are three sons and two daughters-in-law, Joseph Giusto Jr., of Nunica, Mich., Tom and Monica Giusto, of Petersburg, Va., and Gregory and Cynthia Giusto, of Bourbonnais; three daughters and two sons-in-law, Mary Ann Pace and her fiancé, Dennis Jepson, of Bradley, Marlene and Jim Crawford, of St. Anne, and Frances and Dennis Walters, of Bradley; 22 grandchildren; 67 great-grandchildren; 28 great-great-grandchildren; and

several nieces and nephews.

In addition to both of his wives, preceding him in death were his parents; three brothers; and four sisters.

Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Bradley. Burial will be in Mount Calvary Cemetery in Kankakee.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Kankakee Valley.

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Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary

2000 E. Court St.
Kankakee, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 3. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
295 Main St., NW
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Mass

SEP 4. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
211 N. Center Street
Bradley, IL 60915
(815) 939-3573
<http://www.stjosephbradley.org>

Tribute Wall

IG

“*Mary, Marlene and Family! My sincere sympathy and prayers for you and yours at the passing of your father! We were not able to attend but held you in our thoughts and prayers! Bob and Irene Granger*

Irene Granger - September 14, 2015 at 12:49 PM

LB

“*Bradley Bourbonnais has lost a prince. From my vantage point, Joe Guisto was one of the most endearing and engaging people I have ever known in my life. The memories are rich and wonderful rooted in my responsibility of starting and coordinating the senior citizens program in the BBCHS Community Center. The program was enriched by his leadership, fellowship, and friendship. He was the one who kept the refrigerator stocked with groceries, the holiday bazaars organized, and he baked every Thanksgiving turkey from our first meeting onward. It was especially meaningful to have his beautiful daughter, Marlene, as a colleague and his wonderful son, Gregory---as a student. But, he was such a wise teacher who taught me many things about life and family. Along with his Gina, Joe's family was always reflected his gentle strength and generous spirit of joy, kindness, and love. I am so sorry I was out of town when he left this world---but I will keep dear Joseph and his beautiful family close always.
Heaven just got a prince.*

Lana Brown

Lana Brown - September 06, 2015 at 08:04 PM

CM

“ *Cathie Miedema lit a candle in memory of Joseph Giusto*



Cathie Miedema - September 04, 2015 at 12:10 PM

CM

I knew Joe for many years. Not only from church, but from living across the street from my Aunt & Uncle, Thelma & Vernon Alms. Joe would come over & sit with them on their front porch & visit. He would always want to leave when I stopped by, but we could get him to stay for a little while. He didn't want to intrude on their company. He was a wonderful man. Thoughts and prayers to him family.

Cathie Miedema - September 04, 2015 at 12:14 PM

CM

Happy Birthday Joe, your first in heaven!

Cathie Miedema - September 04, 2015 at 12:15 PM

CS

“ *Our deepest sympathy go out to the Giusto family. Uncle Joe is my Great-Uncle; he was loved by so many - he touched so many lives. A kind man with a big heart. It has been several years since I've seen Uncle Joe. That being said, he has been in our thoughts and prayers during his health challenges. He leaves behind a legacy of love and strong sense of family. May God Bless Uncle Joe; and his family and friends who will dearly miss him.*

Chris Smith - September 04, 2015 at 08:10 AM

JP

“ *Jan And Barbara Piwowarczyk lit a candle in memory of Joseph Giusto*



Jan and Barbara Piwowarczyk - September 04, 2015 at 12:08 AM

DK

“ *Dewey Kilbride lit a candle in memory of Joseph Giusto*



Dewey Kilbride - September 03, 2015 at 03:52 PM

DK

*Marlene, Mary Ann & Family,
My deepest sympathies to you at the loss of your father. I met your dad at Roper in the early sixties and would bump into him occasionally during our lives. He was a very kind and humble man and always a pleasure to interact with. I am sure he will be sadly missed by all the people who's lives he touched.*

Dewey Kilbride - September 03, 2015 at 03:55 PM

VD

“ *My love thoughts and prayers for Mary Ann Marlene and all Joe's family today and always. Dad and Joe I'm sure have a lot to talk about. I will miss him. Virginia Dominick*



Virginia R Dominick - September 03, 2015 at 10:49 AM

AL

“ He's my great grandfather I didn't really see him very often. The tears in my mother's eyes where enough to know he was a wonderful man. I love all the stories she's told me about her past with him. Lots of laughs that's for sure! Rest in heaven great grandpa!



Alyssa - September 03, 2015 at 02:52 AM

JM

“ One year he was chosen as the king and I was the queen at the St. Patrick's dance in Bradley, Every year after that we always had 1 dance. Until I moved to TN. It was great to see Joe at church when I came home to visit. He will be missed.

juliette McMahon - September 02, 2015 at 08:59 PM

CG

“ I remember Joe from St. Mary's he was the sweetest and very funny Man. He was a friend to everyone. He will be missed.



Carol Guy - September 02, 2015 at 04:00 PM

KS

“ My condolences to the family. Joe was a good man. He will be missed.
He was a good volunteer at St . Mary's.
Prayers.
Kathy Sullivan



Kathy Sullivan - September 02, 2015 at 02:26 PM

JJ

“ Tom & Monica & family,

I was so sorry to hear about your Dad & Grandpa passing!! I know you will miss him!!

My thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time!!

Love you guys!! Cousin Jayne XXXOOO

Jayne Jepsen - September 02, 2015 at 09:57 AM

PC

“ *My condolences to Greg and the entire family. Mr. Giusto was a good man. I'll never forget when he took Greg and I to see Porky's when we were 13. Changed my life forever! HA! R.I.P. Mr. Giusto.*

Patrick Coy - September 02, 2015 at 09:31 AM



“ *Sorry for your loss. I know he will be greatly missed.*

Betty Wyka - September 02, 2015 at 08:14 AM

SI

“ *Sister Inga lit a candle in memory of Joseph Giusto*



Sister Inga - September 01, 2015 at 09:21 PM

DR

“ *Don & Debi Rantz lit a candle in memory of Joseph Giusto*



don & debi rantz - September 01, 2015 at 06:18 PM

FP

“ *I send this with a heavy heart as we say good-bye to Uncle Joe. He was the kindest man and always had a smile, he loved everyone. He will be missed by everyone who knew him. He lived a good life surrounded by his extra large family. He was like another father too me and my cousins were the sisters and brothers I never had. I know he is in heaven with all his family as they opened their arms for him today. He was a proud Italian and loved his pasta. You will never be forgotten.*

I'll always cherish our times together, we had alot of good times eating and laughing.

*God Bless you Uncle Joe,
Love Frankie*

Frankie Peifer - September 01, 2015 at 04:29 PM

LD

Monica and family: We share in your sorrow. May you receive comfort in The Lord. Love The Diaz families.

Luis Diaz Diaz - September 03, 2015 at 12:12 AM