



Joseph H. "Joe" Grosso

September 5, 1942 - January 23, 2023

Joseph H. "Joe" Grosso, age 80 of Kankakee passed away Monday, January 23, 2023 at Riverside Medical Center, Kankakee. Joe was born September 5, 1942 in Kankakee, the son of John and Katie (Ohrt) Grosso. Joe married Marie Hornback on December 2, 1967, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Manteno.

Joe was the owner of the Grosso Construction Company. He was a hard worker, his whole life was spent working from a teenager through 80. Joe loved going out to eat. He enjoyed reading, collecting vintage Nylint trucks, and birdwatching. Most of all, Joe loved spending time with his granddaughters.

Surviving is his wife Marie of Kankakee; two daughters and sons-in-law, Jeanne (Don) Essington and Cathy (Rich) Sanders all of Kankakee; one sister-in-law, Sharla Grosso of Kankakee; two grandchildren, Emily and Katie Essington; and many nieces and nephews.

Joe is preceded in death by his parents; and one brother, John (Jack) Grosso Jr.

Cremation rites have been accorded.

Memorial visitation will be held on Saturday, February 4, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Homes, Kankakee. A private family burial will be held at a later date at Limestone Cemetery, Limestone.

Memorials may be to Uplifted Care of Bourbonnais.

Please sign his guestbook at www.clancygernon.com.

Cemetery Details

Limestone Cemetery

Route 113
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-1764

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

FEB 4. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
1480 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Tribute Wall

ME

“ Joe was my best friend since 3rd grade, I went to grade school and high school with him. We cruised around Kankakee together until I joined the marine corp. My condolences to his family.
Mel Engelman

Melvin Engelman - February 15, 2023 at 04:02 PM

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Jim Piekarczyk - February 08, 2023 at 09:52 AM

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Photo taken by Jim Piekarczyk, County Engineer (Retired)

Jim Piekarczyk - February 08, 2023 at 02:55 PM

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“ Our sincere sympathy to Marie and all of the family...thinking of you with love and prayers, Gordon and Nancy (Farrell) Wheeler

Nancy (Farrell) Wheeler - February 02, 2023 at 07:48 PM

MC

“ I knew Joe for many years in my job working for an engineering firm. He was such a nice person and will be missed. Praying for the family.

Mary Clark - January 25, 2023 at 07:44 PM

JP

“ All my deepest sympathies to the entire Grosso family on their loss. Joe and I went through High School together and were good friends. Joe was funny, and always good to be around. I'm happy that "all" the mischief we got into never came to light. Rest easy Joe, and may God bless you.

Jim Puswaskis - January 24, 2023 at 06:56 PM

JD

“ Knowing Joe since we were in school, I am well aware of what a fine persn he was, then on to being a fine father in law to my brother Don Essington and great memories of when he and Marie came to Naples and our good times. I send much caring to the family and nearby friends. Jean (Essington) Deno

Jean Deno - January 24, 2023 at 06:12 PM



My husband would see and speak to Joe almost on a daily bases,as Joe was driving his semi and Bob worked on Vulcan 's heavy machines. What a joy he was to be around. I met Joe when his daughter married Bob's brother,and Bob was right a kinder man you couldn't ask for. He will be missed by many.

Janette Essington - January 25, 2023 at 08:09 PM