



Peter H Thanos

September 5, 1949 - July 13, 2024

Peter H. "Pete" Thanos, age 74 of Manteno, passed away Saturday, July 13, 2024

at Riverside Medical Center, Kankakee. He was born on September 5, 1949 in Chicago the son of Harry and Abigail (St. George) Thanos. Peter married Bernadine "Bernie" Steffen on June 17, 1972 at St. Cajetan Church in Chicago.

Peter was an avid train collector. He was a huge Chicago sports fan and enjoyed

watching the Chicago Bears, Chicago White Sox, and the Chicago Blackhawks.

Peter was a teacher and a coach that received several awards for his coaching and

teaching including, Chicago Public Schools Coach of the Year, Chicago Bears Coach of the Week, and the prestigious Johnny Lattner award for Excellence in Coaching.

Peter also coached at St. Barnabas School, Mendel Catholic High School, St. Francis de Sales High School, Bogan High School, Percy Julian High School, and

Gwendolyn Brooks High School, all in Chicago.

He was a teacher at St. Barnabas, Mendel Catholic, St. Francis de Sales High School, and a Librarian at Julian High School in Chicago. He was awarded the

Suave Corporation Teacher of the Year Award.

Peter was a parishioner of St. Joseph Catholic Church of Manteno.

Surviving is his wife of 52 years, Bernadine; two daughters and sons-in-law, Lisa

(Jason) Thanos Harrod of Manteno, Rebecca (Eric) Thanos Benson of Elmhurst;

one brother and sister-in-law, Daniel (Rhonda) Thanos of Arizona; six grandchildren, Nathan Harrod, Connor Harrod, Karlie Harrod, Paul Benson, Peter

Benson, Maggie Benson; one sister-in-law, Kathy Hincks of Chicago; numerous

loved nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Peter is preceded in death by his parents; and one brother, John Thanos.

Visitation will be held from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 18, 2024 at

Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Manteno. A funeral mass will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, July 19, 2024 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Manteno.

Reverend

Thomas Theneth will celebrate the mass.

Cremation rites will be accorded following the mass.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 18. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Manteno - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
291 N. Main St.
Manteno, IL 60950
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Mass

JUL 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Church
207 S. Main St.
Manteno, IL 60950
(815) 468-3403
<http://www.stjosephmanteno.com>

Tribute Wall

CT

“ I'm so sorry about Pete's passing. One memory I often share is that when I was born, the big Greek family lived in a 3 flat. Yiayia, Papiu, Aunts Kathryn and Henrietta live in the first story, my family (Mom, Dad and my brothers and me on the second story, and Aunt Abby and Uncle Harry and their three sons in the third floor. Those were the days when families were close!!!!

Cheri Thanis - July 20, 2024 at 11:23 AM

SG

“ So sorry to hear this sad news. Our hearts and prayers are with your family. Love, Samantha (Thanos) and Luke Galle

Samantha Galle - July 18, 2024 at 03:57 PM

HC

“ *Bernie and Family,*
Saddened to hear of Pete's passing. He'll be remembered as a kind, sweet, dedicated teacher/coach and devoted family man. The students, and educators, who have encountered Pete, myself included, are better because of his presence. May his memory be a Blessing. Godspeed to a good guy.
Holly and John Charles

Holly A Charles - July 18, 2024 at 10:17 AM

MM

“ *Much love goes out to the Thanos Family. We had the privilege of being neighbors and have many great stories about the antics, but most importantly, we have the memories of his huge heartfelt friendship.*

Michael, Mary - July 18, 2024 at 09:33 AM

JM

“ So sorry to hear about Pete passing away. He would love to talk, but with a huge amount of listening. When I spoke with him, he had such an enthusiasm, to speak with you. So sorry, for the loss.

Jim Marchese - July 17, 2024 at 07:41 PM

PG

“ My sincerest sympathy to the Thanos family. Pete always had a warm smile to greet, a funny thing to say, and a sparkle in his eye.

Patty Green - July 17, 2024 at 04:59 PM

DS

“ My condolences to Bernie Thanos and family. I thank and praise God for the memories of Pete during our retirees luncheon at Palermo. Pete was a great conversationist and seemed to really enjoy the food. Pete will be truly missed. Blessings in Jesus' name!
Respectfully,
Dorothy Smith - McKay School Retiree

Dorothy Smith - July 16, 2024 at 01:38 PM