



Peter A. Zerites

April 18, 1967 - September 6, 2016

Peter A. Zerites, 49, of Greensboro, NC, passed away Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at his home.

He was born April 18, 1967, the son of Andrew & Joyce Roe Zerites

Peter was a 1985 graduate of Kankakee High School. From 1985 until 1993, he served as a Sergeant with the Illinois Army National Guard.

He was a Kankakee City Firefighter and Paramedic from 1992 – 2001

In May of 2013, Peter received a Bachelor degree in Psychology from Aurora University.

He was the proud father of Corporal Ryan Andrew Zerites of the United States Marine Corps. Ryan is currently stationed in Camp Lejeune, NC.

Surviving are his son, Ryan of North Carolina; two sisters, Christina Zerites and Carrie Zerites, both of Effingham ; and one brother, Andrew (Doris) Zerites of Kankakee; two nephews Dustin Zerites of Denver, CO and Derek Lemna of Effingham; two aunts, Christine Zerites of Crown Point, IN and Dorothy Zerites of Kankakee; and many cousins.

He had a great passion for life and country and was loved by all that knew him. Peter cherished his friendships and was known for his fun personality, smile and great singing voice. He was an avid Chicago Bears and Chicago Cubs fan. He had great love for the outdoors and loved to hunt, fish, golf and boat on the Kankakee River. Above all, he loved being Ryan's Dad.

He is preceded in death by his parents; grandparents, Richard & Janet Roe and Peter & Constance Zerites; and many aunts and uncles.

A memorial visitation will be held from 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 14th until the 5:00 p.m. memorial service at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home; 1480 W. Court St. in Kankakee.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

SEP 14. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
1480 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-1214
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Memorial Service

SEP 14. 5:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Wish I could have been there today
You will always live in my heart* ”



Carrie Panozzo Schultz - September 14, 2016 at 07:00 PM

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“ *Love and miss you much. .* ”



Carrie Panozzo Schultz - September 13, 2016 at 06:15 PM



“ *You were an inspiration to me at Hope For
Tomorrow. RIP Pete.* ”



Vicki Trudo - September 12, 2016 at 04:05 PM

JT

“ *Rest in peace Pete you made a huge impact in my life in the short
amount of time that I knew you my condolences go out to his family
this is a tragedy* ”

Jonathan Tobias - September 12, 2016 at 02:27 PM

TD

“ *Rest in peace, Peter.
Terry and Toni Diel*

Terry and Toni Diel - September 10, 2016 at 04:33 PM

BG

“ *Just thinking of Pete and his family. May his
memories always stay close to your hearts.*



Bobby Gentile - September 10, 2016 at 08:44 AM

MH

“ *"Footprints on our hearts" is the phrase that follows Pete on his new
road. His smile, laughter and kindness in life to others set him apart.
Marsha Hill*

Marsha Hill - September 09, 2016 at 09:05 PM

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“ *We had the same birthday. I'm still going to tell him happy birthday
every year. It won't be the same not having him say it back to me.
And I'll always remember our short stint at "marriage" Potiphar. You
will be missed.*

Cathy Hedge - September 09, 2016 at 08:18 PM



“ *First met Pete when he helped out during the summer for our pest
control business. He had the biggest heart and the sweetest smile.
I've known him for 20+ years now. He's sweet words on facebook
will be missed deeply. xo RIP my sweet friend*

Cherie Jarvis Moore - September 09, 2016 at 05:11 PM



“ Freshman year Pete and I had chorus with Billy Raines. Our first concert at Eastridge, Pete was our look out, so before the concert Billy could steal a kiss from me..Pete always teased me about that. He never judged me, or had a harsh word about anyone. I bet Billy was smiling when you entered the gates Pete. I bet he was glad to see his old friend....

Lisa Hamilton - September 09, 2016 at 04:51 PM

JG

“ A person that departs from this earth never truly leaves, for they are still alive in our hearts and minds, through us, they live on. Please accept our sincere condolences, Pete will not be forgotten.

Godspeed.

Jeff & Janet Gilbert & The Entire Hope for Tomorrow Family.

Jeff & Janet Gilbert - September 09, 2016 at 01:37 PM

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“ Pete was my third son for many years on Station St., in Kankakee IL. I am the mom of Bob and Billy, deceased since 1987, Raines. The three musketeers gave me many hours of joy and sometimes sorrows yet we always came through anything that took place. Carrie and Bonni, were always trying to keep up with the guys, with not much success. You are so missed already, Pete, even though it has been too many years since we have hugged and just chatted about nothing in general. You and Billy give them something to think about on those streets of gold, Lots a Love, kid...

Alma Jill Neill (Raines) - September 09, 2016 at 12:52 PM