



Joseph Caccamo

March 3, 1934 - October 12, 2022

JOE CACCAMO AGE 88

Past CEO of Centrella Foods

Joe began with Centrella in 1955 till his retirement in 2007

Beloved husband of Lorraine (nee Valentino)

Loving father of Joey (the late Judy), Laura (the late Phillip and the late Geno), Lenny (Kimmie), and Lisa Lombard

Cherished Papa of Amber, Joey, Anthony, Gianna, Bianca, Lenny, Christopher, Dominic, Alyssandra, Andrew, Lauren, and Dominique

Dear great grandfather of Connor, Sofia, Alyssa, Giuliana, Hailey, Dominic, Francesca, Leo, Joey, Lucia, Sienna, and Aiden

Fond brother of Carmella Piscitelli

Proud Uncle of many nieces and nephews

Please Omit Flowers

Donations appreciated to the American Cancer Society

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American Cancer Society

P.O. Box 6704

Hagerstown, MD 21741

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **20**. 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Carbonara Funeral Home
1515 North 25th Ave
Melrose Park, IL 60160

Friends and relatives will process to Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Melrose Park for 1:00 PM mass immediately following Mass Friends and relatives are invited to lunch at The Empress Banquets Located at 200 East Lake Street Addison, IL 60101 at 3:30 PM

Funeral Mass

OCT **20**. 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church
Melrose Park, IL

Service will be concluded at church family and friends are to meet at the Empress Banquets Located at 200 East Lake Street Addison, IL 60101 at 3:30 PM for lunch

Entombment Queen of Heaven Christ the king Mausoleum PRIVATE

OCT **20** (CT)

Entombment Queen of Heaven mausoleum

Entombment will be private family only following church

Tribute Wall

MV

“ My parents both came from large Italian families, with a combined 16 siblings. I therefore had many aunts and uncles. Of all of them, my Uncle Joe Caccamo was one of my very favorite. His passing leaves me heartbroken. Uncle Joe was full of life, had a wonderful sense of humor, was kind and generous, and his presence commanded respect. His smile alone could light up a room. Uncle Joe had humble beginnings but rose to the highest level in his business. And despite all his success, he remained down to earth, approachable, easy to talk to, and had the ability to simply make you feel good with his warmth and his giftedness of making a person feel welcomed. One of my favorite poems is Kipling's "If." The final stanza begins, "If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue, or walk with Kings -- nor lose the common touch." That was my Uncle Joe. No matter who you were, he was comfortable in your presence and you found yourself at ease in his. At family gatherings, I would sometimes just stand near him as he was engaged in conversation, and I would marvel at how much he knew about so much. He truly was a beautiful man. To my dear Aunt Lorraine, whom I love so much, and to the entire family, I hope the words of our Lord Jesus will comfort you. These are words He spoke to Martha after the death of her brother Lazarus, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die." May the God of all comfort now comfort your hearts. All my love, nephew Michael Valentino

Michael Valentino - October 18, 2022 at 11:02 AM

BJ

“ *Lorraine and Family- We were all saddened to hear the news of Joe's passing. He was one of a kind with a heart of gold. He loved the food industry. He loved Central Grocers. We took great pride in helping Central members grow, which in turn positively impacted the entire food distribution network in the Chicagoland market. He was so supportive of the Illinois Food Retailers Association. So many fond memories, especially his passion to help us raise funds for the scholarship program. Above all else, he loved family. You were his rock, the reason for his drive, success in business and desire to help others along the way. Rest in Peace, Joe and may God bless the Caccamo family.*

Brian and JoAnn Jordan

Brian R Jordan - October 17, 2022 at 04:11 PM

JV

“ *What an incredible man. I met Joe later in his life playing golf, and it was always, and I genuinely mean always, fun to golf with him. He always had a kind smile and a compliment. I didn't see him all the time, but I will miss him for sure.*

Joe V - October 14, 2022 at 10:13 AM



Mr. Caccamo, taught me so much on what I should do and act as a man. And Mr. Caccamo never said a word to me. That how strong of a man that he is. It was a pleasure, and I'm lucky to have known him. Thank you Mr. Caccamo for all you have done. Shawn

Shawn Brown - October 17, 2022 at 05:53 PM

BS

I have the honor to be called upon by Joe's family to be the funeral director to handle his services. I grew up with the Caccamo family as a little boy when he lived on Grandville Ave, in Bellwood back then we used to go to all the Black Hawk Games for the whole season. Every Sunday and sometimes on Wednesdays My Uncle Pete and a few of the old cronies would meet at the Old Chicago Stadium before the games, that's before the stadium even had glass, it was chicken wire. we didn't have enough tickets and Joe used to carry me in with one ticket because in them days a child in arms did not need a ticket so Joe would lift up this big kid and walk through the turnstile and hand the Andy Frain Usher one ticket. The ushers used to laugh because when handed the ticket I would fake crying waa waa, those days were so happy and funny, he was the greatest guy, we had so much fun, I knew and he was always my friend when I was growing up, Rest in peace Joe we will all miss you.

Butch Severino - October 19, 2022 at 09:51 PM