



James N. Joseph, Sr.

June 11, 1941 - May 17, 2012

James N. Joseph, Sr., 70, of New Britain, husband of Sharon Duran Joseph, passed away Thursday May 17, 2012 at Hartford Hospital. Born in Chicago, son of the late Daniel and Florence Vardanian Joseph, he has been a New Britain resident most of his life. Jim is a graduate of New Britain High School, Class of 1959, is a US Air Force veteran serving during the Vietnam Conflict. He and was employed at Arute Bros. in New Britain as a Construction Manager for 30 years, retiring in 1999.

Besides his wife Sharon, he is survived by a son, James Joseph Jr. of Essex; a daughter, Aimee Joseph of Wethersfield; a sister, Harriet Donovan of Bristol; three grandchildren, Mason, Haley and Aleya; several nieces and nephews; as well as his special friends, John and Deb Gagliardi of Farmington. Jim was predeceased by a brother, Jonathan Joseph.

A Memorial Service will be held Thursday 1 PM at South Church, 90 Main Street, New Britain, CT 06051. Burial with military honors will follow in Fairview Cemetery, New Britain. There are no calling hours. In lieu o flowers, donations may be made to South Church or to a charity of the donors choice. The Carlson Funeral Home, New Britain is assisting the family with arrangements. Please share a memory or note of sympathy with his family by clicking on "Add Condolences" at the bottom of this page.

Tribute Wall

MC

“ I graduated NBHS in 1959 and remember Jimmy as being very pleasant and a quiet kid. I'm so sorry that his life had end in this senseless way. My condolences to his family.
Marlene Szulczewski Clark

Marlene Clark - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ My condolences to the entire 'Joseph Family'. I met and worked with Jimmy at Arute Bros. in the late 70's. Jimmy made his mark on everyone he met in the most positive and lasting way. Such a fun, loving and dedicated person. God bless Jim and you.

Leo Luciani - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Hey Mr. Joseph " Big Jim" well today we had your service and it was beautiful. I just wanted to tell ya the amazing family and freinds you have that attended. We miss you !! I know that your watching over us all. I still don't know how to feel so please help me to release the anger I feel. I am glad I can say hello to you evry time I visit my mom m dad . Please kno that Jim "jam" Jr was amazingly strong for mom n sister n all the kids I know how proud you feel of them all. I'm glad I got to say see ya later its never goodbye that's for sure..by the way I am still gonna beep and give that wave cuz I know you will be there watching over them all . I'm glad to have known an amazing man . So I say Big Jim good night and your always in my thoughts you are truly missed and I will see ya later. Rest peacefully and know your family is in good hands..big hugs XO XO Mary and the rest of the Rubino family will be there for yours. RIP.

Mary Rubino - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ I had known Jimmy for 50 years I meet him when he came to work for our family. It was an honor to have known Jimmy for those years. Over the past few years we did not see each other as much as I would have liked, and it was my fault because as we know and anyone who knew Jimmy all you had to do is ride South Main Street to find him greeting like the Mayor of New Britain in his driveway. Jimmy is truly one of the people who will be missed. The memories of my first knowing Jimmy was his Corvette with the lic. plate SUFR he was a foreman for Arute Bros. Jimmy ended up being the face of Arute Bros. I could never thank Jimmy enough for all the kindness he showed to my Mother and Father and I hope he also knew the way both my Mother and Father cared for him. I could go on but enough said. My thoughts are with His family esp. Sharon, Jimmy Jr. and Aimy.
Jim Adams

James A Adams - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ Sympathy beyond words...

Jimmy... You've left a lasting effect on me that lives on. My thoughts and memories of you will forever put a smile on my face.

Jon Nelson - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Mrs.J, Aimie,Jimmy-My thoughts and prayers are with you.I will always remember the warmth, kindness and love you gave when I was a teenager. I am so sorry

Carolyn Bouffard and family - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Mrs.J, Aimie,Jimmy - I don't know what to say.My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Carolyn Bouffard and family - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JV

“ Jimmy,

Not only were you a great man, dedicated to your work and country, but you liked the right baseball team!

I can still remember the first time you called looking for my boss and were disappointed to get me. I always enjoyed talking to you at 6am and you sharing your knowledge. I also enjoyed hearing stories about your grandchildren while I shared stories of my son. You will be greatly missed! I thank you for the service for your country, your service to your family and I am grateful to have been able to call you a friend!

*Your friend always,
Jason A. Vasilakos*

Jason Vasilakos - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ I worked with Jimmy for a long time. His passing is really sad.

Bill Charleton - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ Sharon we are so sorry to about Jimmy. We have great memories of when we lived above you guys in N.B. Jimmy and Aimee were just little pups at the time. Wow, that was awhile ago, seems like yesterday. I didn't see Jimmy all that much any more but when ever I did he always had a smile and something nice to say. He was one of the Good Guys and certainly did not deserve this. He surely will be missed by all that had the privilege to know him. Our hearts and prayers go out to you and the kids. Greg and Nancy

Greg Schaller - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ My sincerest condolences to the entire Joseph family. Jimmy worked on a job years ago in Norwich, Ct at a health center I worked at. He always came in with a smile and would be so proud of his grandson Mason and would show us pictures of him. Once in a while when he wanted to butter us up, because they were going to be doing more remodeling work and we had to move our desks, AGAIN, he would bring in donuts to share and give a big smile, and would make us all laugh. Such a nice man and kind hearted soul who loved his family dearly. I am glad that I had the pleasure of meeting him. My thoughts and prayers are with you all and know that justice will be served.

Kelly Alexander - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Mrs. Joseph & family,

I am so very sorry for your loss. I grew up across the street from you and I remember Mr. Joseph coming up to pull Jimmy Jr. out of our pool because he was supposed to be home! He was a wonderful neighbor and kind man. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Janet Stepensky Scalise - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ I worked with Jimmy for 10 years at Arute Bros. I have many fond memories of our time together there. It is with great sadness that I learned of his untimely death. My deepest condolences to his wife and family.

Luciano Pereira - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ To Jimmy's Family,

I am so sorry for the loss of such a wonderful person. Jimmy was one of the most easy going guys I ever met and a good friend. He will be truly missed by all.

Tom Gilbert - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Sharon: You don't know me but I am sure Harriet can fill you in. My brother, sister and I grew up with the Joseph family. Jimmy and I worked at the L&L along with Harriet and John. Jimmy and I "hung out" during H.S. I was shocked when my brother and sister told me of the terrible events that took place. My memories of Jimmy are of a kind person who would never hurt anyone. I also remember his father fondly. I was so saddened to hear of his violent death. Once I moved out of state we lost touch but the good memories remain vivid in my mind. Remember the good times with Jimmy and your family. Please accept my sincere condolences and pass them on to Harriet for me. My God bless his soul and comfort you, the children, grandchildren and the entire family.

*An old friend from New Britski
Jim Greco from Roberts St.*

Jim Greco - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ *To Aimee and Family:*

I'm so so sorry for your loss!!!! You are in my thoughts!!! He is now your guardian angel!!!

AShley Rakus - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ *To Jimmy's family*

I am so very sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you guys.

Rest in piece Jimmy! I feel blessed to have been able to call you my friend.

Til we meet again.....your buddy Mark

Mark Thibodeau - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ *Sharon,Aimee,&Jimmy,*

I am so very sorry for your loss.My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

Jamie Sheffield Lamb - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ *It is sad to see a man of such stature be snuffed out in the twinkling of an eye. May James rest in peace and rest well.*

To the family, just know that He gives beauty for ashes, strength for fear, gladness for mourning and peace for despair. Know that vengeance is the Lord's, and He will see to it that James's death by the hands of the wicked, does not go unpunished. Peace, be still.

Calvin Marron - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ God bless you Jimmy. You were a good man and I enjoyed working with you at Arute's. All the best to your family. I hope they catch the sob. John

John Buhrendorf - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ To the Joseph Family
I'm so sorry for your loss. I of course have known big Jim since I was about 6yrs old and without saying was and is one of the most amazingly kind man I've known. I as well will miss him deeply. Big Jim nevr hesitated to wave every time I drove by and would beep and have a kind smile to follow. There are no words to explain my feelings . To Jim Jr n aimee there children my sadness runs deep. He is now another angel for us all to look up to. Please no I and my family The Rubinos will always keep him in our heart and in our prayers . May u rest in peace Mr Joseph.. MUCH LOVE MARY RUBINO...XO

Mary Rubino - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ I'm sorry for ur loss ur dad was a very nice man he was at every thing that mason did he was at all mason football game my prays go out to u and ur family.

Dacia Gunn - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ We are truly sorry for your loss. We will continue to pray for the family of James Joseph Sr. He is home now, so please be at peace.

The Beveridge Family

Beveridge Family - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ Aimee,
I am so sorry to hear about your father. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in your time of need. He will be greatly missed by so many. I enjoyed his our conversations at the football field. He always made me laugh. May he rest in peace and justice be served for your family.
Amanda, Carlos, Melissa

Amanda Stedman - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ *To Aimee and the entire Joseph Family, our deepest sympathy to you and the family, we are so sorry for the loss of your Dad, our thoughts and prayers to you all at this difficult time.*

Cindy and Edwin Torres - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *Our deepest sympathy goes out to Mr. Joseph's family and friends. Although we didn't know him personally, from all accounts he was a good neighbor and solid family man. One of the good guys.*

We also would like to collectively say "thank you" for Mr. Joseph's service to this Country.

May God Bless this great American, and those that knew and loved him.

The Ciaffaglione Family - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Mr J, i will always remember my bike rides to Power House Gym and always looking forward to stopping by your house on my way home. We had some great talks in your driveway as you sat on your bench. You reminded me of my dad, especially after he passed. Mr J you will be missed immensely.... Do me a favor, give my dad a hug from me :

David Autunno - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you, the entire family at this time. I am so saddened by your loss. I remember Jim as always having a smile on his face and a kind word, when we spent holidays together at Aunt Mary's house. It was a long time ago when Jim & Sharon's children and the three of us Knorr sister's were young. Sending prayers your way.

Kathy Knorr Fumiatti, Heather & Matthew Fumiatti

Kathy Knorr-Fumiatti - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ jim jr. i ran the napa store in kensington. your father would bring you in on sat. mornings.in the restored ford truck.i knew him from arute bros and an car place on the berlin turnpike. sorry for your loss. he was a very special person regards tom francis

thomas francis - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ On behalf of the New Britain High Class of 1959. I would like to express our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of James Joseph, Sr. As we reflect upon our high school years those, "Happy Days", we will remember him with many fond memories. As we reminiscence about our school years together we will always recall "Jimmy" as the sweet, young, handsome man with the incredible hair. To loose him so suddenly and violently is heartbreaking. We will remember him in our thoughts and prayers.

Class of 1959 New Britain High School - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ No words can express the sorrow we all feel for one of the gentlest of men that I truly ever had the honor to meet. I will miss his hello's ans smile... A true friend to all who had the pleasure of knowing him

Matt Bavalack - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Our sympathy and prayers are with all of you at this truly sad time. Jimmy, Harriet & I Eleanor where raised on So. Main St. from our youth through high school. Those years hold so many fond memories. Dick and I will miss seeing Jimmy sitting out side on his chair and always waiving as we passed by. You are all in our prayers and hearts now and always. Keep his memories alive always. Much Love Eleanor & Dick

Dick & Eleanor DeLottie Simonides - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PI

“ Jimmy, the memory is so clear to me the day we met. It was the late 60's and you were stationed in the Air Force in Bermuda. I was one of those college kids on spring vacation. we were both surprised to find that we were both from CT. We became friends and I had such a crush on you. You were a respectful and kind man. You also knew how good looking you were on your motorcycle. At that time you were all that and a bag of chips. You told me how much you loved your mom and dad and your sister Harriett. I see you got married and had a wonderful family. A grandpa too! Since I heard the news cast I can't get you out of my mind. No one deserves to die in such a horrible way - especially you - a gentle man. God Bless you and God Bless your family who will, I imagine, miss you so much. You will always be in my prayers.

Patricia Iovene - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Jimmy it seems like only yesterday we were all growing up and hanging out on So. Main St. I will miss seeing you sitting outside each day as I passed your home and your familiar wave, running into you at Valero or S&S...R.I.P. my friend

Jean Perretta Grass - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM