



Joseph F. Duva

March 5, 1951 - April 12, 2022

Slingerlands- Joseph F. Duva, age 71, passed away suddenly on Tuesday, April 12, 2022. He was born in Albany, New York on March 5, 1951, the son of Frank and Antonietta (Robortella) Duva.

Joe attended Cathedral Academy and graduated from Cardinal McCloskey High School in 1969. After working for the Fuller Brush Company, Joe went on to work for the State of New York, specializing in telecommunications, and was employed by the Office of General Services, the Department of Social Services and the Office of Temporary and Disability Services, retiring after 39 years as a Telecommunications Analyst.

Joe was a devoted son and brother, spending much of his retirement helping his family. He married his favorite blind date, Ilene Bergman, and they enjoyed 31 years of (as Joe loved to say with a slight roll of the eye and a huge grin), “absolutely perfect marital bliss”. Joe was known for his kindness, his sense of humor and his uncanny ability to create a pun under any and all circumstances. He played drums with abandon, sang passionately at every opportunity and never gave up hope for the Giants and the Yankees. Joe was a truly caring and unique person who touched the lives of all who knew him.

Joe is survived by his wife Ilene; his brothers Anthony Duva and Salvatore (Kathy Nolan) Duva; his nieces Antoinette Nowak (fiance Ray Gagnier),

Deborah (Michael) DiCerbo and Angela Duva; John (Lynda) Kearney, the “fourth brother”; and great-nephews Tyler and Jordan Nowak and Adam Murray. He was predeceased by his parents and his brother Rocco Duva and sister-in-law Teri Duva.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Joe’s family Monday, April 18, 2022 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany, NY 12206. Please enter the funeral home from the rear parking lot entrance only.

Funeral services Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 9:00 am at the Parish of Mater Christi, Albany, NY where his Funeral Mass will be celebrated. To view the Mass please visit [YouTube.com/C.ParishofMaterChristi](https://www.youtube.com/C.ParishofMaterChristi)

To leave a message for the family please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

Our Lady of Angels Cemetery

1389 Central Ave
Albany, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 18. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph F. Duva*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *I'm so sorry that I didn't know sooner. I fondly remember Joe and the entire Duva family as we were neighbors on Hamilton Street for years. We were all rabid baseball fans and played constantly...whether it was wiffle ball, pitch and catch, or heading to the park to play. My deepest sympathy.*

Vincent Zabinski - June 08, 2023 at 01:38 PM



“ *Sorry for your loss.
Loved Joe, he was one of my best friends at Cathedral and McCloskey
Michael Russo*

Michael Russo - April 18, 2022 at 12:01 PM



“ *To The Duva Family
I was so shocked to hear about Joe's passing. He was always interesting, nice guy to speak to at work. He was there to help and listen with a humorous advice. A great guy whom will be missed.
Rest In Peace my friend.*

Sue H - April 18, 2022 at 11:57 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joseph F. Duva.*



April 17, 2022 at 05:50 PM



“ *Very sorry to learn of Joe's passing. We met in McCloskey and spent countless afternoons riding the city bus home together. He was always a good listener and I never remember him saying anything negative about anyone. I had the opportunity to catch up with him at our HS reunion and he was the same person I remembered. I wish that I had made an effort to keep in touch with Joe. He was a genuinely good man. Rest in Peace, Joe*

Jim Garvey - April 16, 2022 at 05:33 PM



“ *I had frequent contact with Joe over the years in DSS/OTDA. He was always extremely helpful, pleasant to work with and amusing. I am saddened to hear of his loss. My sincere condolences to his family.*

Marilyn Barnhart

Marilyn Barnhart - April 16, 2022 at 10:03 AM

TF

“ I was so sad to see that Joe had passed. I met him many years ago at OGS. As co-workers and friends we had lots of fun times at work, holiday parties and OGS Golf Days. Since I hadn't seen Joe in many years, I was touched that he came to my husband's funeral service a few years ago, but that is just the type of person that Joe was. My sincere condolences to the family. He was the best!



Teri Fisher - April 16, 2022 at 09:47 AM

MM

“ Ilene,
Seems like 100 years have passed since being in the company of "DU-VA", and yet memories shared are so vivid in my mind. We were kids starting out at OGS, and formed a bond of friendship that carried us through adulthood and all that life had to bring our way. At the helm was our big brother Joe...always a laugh, a Ray Orbison or Frankie Vallee sing a long, a star in his own right. My heartfelt sympathy to you and to the family. Rest peacefully dear friend.
Mary Rose (Magnetto)

mary rose magnetto - April 15, 2022 at 06:07 PM

RL

“ Hi To The Duva Family,
It is such sad news to hear of the passing of "Mr. Duva". We enjoyed every minute of being with you and Joe . Its heartbreaking to think we will never hear his voice , his puns, his laugh again. He had a twinkle in his eye each and every time we were together and that will be what we remember along with his teasing and the ability to make everyone around him at ease with his beautiful smile. The memories of the train rides, dinners ,and the times you both came to our home to stay and explore the area. We had fun and always enjoyed easy others company. He will be missed beyond what words can say.

Bob and Gail Loz

Robert and gail Loz - April 15, 2022 at 09:42 AM



“ Sending love to you at this difficult time. Joe always added light to the people he was around. Hinda I fondly remember his subtle wit and his innate decency.

Jack Rosenbaum

Jack Rosenbaum - April 15, 2022 at 09:27 AM

LR

“ Dear Ilene and the Duva Family, please accept our deepest condolences in the loss of your loved one. I knew Joe for many years going back to the early years at OGS on Washington Ave. He was always fun to be around with a warm smile and a twinkle in his eye. He was my friend, and he will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Lou and Donna Rendano

Lou Rendano - April 15, 2022 at 09:11 AM

AN

“ My heartfelt sympathies to the entire family... Joe was a wonderful guy. I worked with him for many years and he always had a smile and a laugh to share...he had a beautiful voice and sang like an angel... he brighten so many people's lives...we will all miss him.
Anne Nasholds

Anne Nasholds - April 15, 2022 at 07:39 AM

SM

“ Dear Ilene, I am so heart broken to hear about the passing of Joe. As you know, my late husband Joe Marino loved Joe like a brother. He was such a kind and gentle man. So many fun and wonderful memories they shared together growing up and so many years after. They loved Karaoke and your husband Joe just loved to sing every chance he had the opportunity to. I also worked with Joe at OGS Telecommunications. Joe was such a kind and sweet guy that will be missed by so many people that loved him. May his memories you shared with him help comfort you during this difficult time. God Bless you, Suzanne Marino

Suzanne Marino - April 14, 2022 at 09:50 PM

TH

“ So sorry to hear about your loss. I worked with Joe for years. He was a joy to work with, affable, funny and good at his job. A really nice guy. — Tom Hedderman

Tom Hedderman - April 14, 2022 at 08:31 PM

RA

“ You left us to soon uncle joe Rest In Peace
big guy you will be missed...ray



ray - April 14, 2022 at 03:34 PM

AD

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Angela Duva - April 14, 2022 at 03:07 PM