



Joseph Henry Hoffman

May 9, 1934 - March 2, 2015

Albany-Joseph Henry Hoffman, 80, died Monday, March 2, 2015 at home surrounded by his loving family. Born in Albany, he was the son of the late Joseph and Nora Sullivan Hoffman. Joseph was a US Army veteran.

He graduated from Vincentian Institute in 1952 and Siena College in 1963. Joe retired from the South Colonie School District where he taught for over 30 years, always inspiring his students. He lived life to the fullest by spending time with family and friends, painting and drawing, traveling, golfing, reading, watching the Red Sox, and following Siena basketball. Joe was a former volunteer at St. John's-St. Ann's Church both at the outreach program and as a lecturer.

He was the beloved husband of Joyce D. Bloomfield Hoffman; cherished father of Kathleen LaBrosse (Joseph), Joseph F. Hoffman (Kathleen) and Michael F. Hoffman (Amy); beloved and cherished grandfather of Laura and Kyle; Joseph S. and Lizzy; Alexandra and Ella; brother of Joan Fisher (late Ray) and the late Jean Garry; brother in law of John T. Garry, II; many nieces and nephews also survive.

Funeral services Friday, March 6, 2015 at 8:15 am from the McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany thence to the Parish of Mater Christi, Albany at 9:00 am where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated.

Relatives and friends are invited and may visit Thursday, March 5, 2015 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm in the funeral home.

Interment will be in Albany Rural Cemetery.

Those wishing to remember Joseph H. Hoffman in a special way may send a contribution to either St. John's – St. Ann's Center, 88 Fourth Ave, Albany, NY 12202 or Mohawk Hudson Humane Society, 3 Oakland Ave., Menands, NY 12204. To leave a message for the family, obtain directions, light a candle or view other helpful services, please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com.

Cemetery Details

Albany Rural Cemetery

68 Cemetery Ave
Menands, NY 12204

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 5. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc.
208 N Allen St
Albany, NY 12206
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Service

MAR 6. 9:00 AM (ET)

Parish of Mater Christi
40 Hopewell Street (Rev. Kenneth J. Doyle Way)
Albany, NY 12208

Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Joseph Henry Hoffman*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - March 04, 2015 at 02:27 PM



“ *Joseph Henry Hoffman*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *May the words at Isaiah 25:8 bring you comfort " He will swallow up death forever, And the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces."*

M - August 31, 2015 at 08:41 PM

KC

“ I’m so sorry for your loss. I have the fondest memories of Mr. Hoffman and he is still my favorite of all the teachers, professors and instructors I have had. He inspired me to start reaching my fullest potential as a student, and I attribute my life-long interest in history and current events to him. I was in his 5th grade class in 1965 at Shaker Road Elementary, and as my first male teacher, Mr. Hoffman launched me out of the depths of mediocrity. AND I still remember his ash tray “hidden” in his class room desk drawer!
So nice to see he was a veteran, a Siena grad and active in his church. God Bless.
Ken Chappell, Loudonville, NY

Ken Chappell - March 05, 2015 at 09:51 AM

LD

“ While watching the tribute video, it was wonderful to see that Joe was smiling in almost every photo. In fact, in the few photos that were serious, you just get the sense that Joe likely cracked a joke seconds after the photo was taken. He may not have been a biological relative to us, but my children always knew him as "Grandpa Joe". When we told each of them of his illness they all had the same reaction "NO!!! Not Grandpa Joe, he is such a nice man and so funny". Our memories of family gatherings with the Hoffman clan are filled with silly moments and lots of laughs. He will be greatly missed. Our thoughts are with you during this difficult time. Lynn and Jack Delaney

Lynn Delaney - March 05, 2015 at 07:09 AM

RH

“ Joyce, glad to have met Joseph at our AHS reunion. Beth and I send our prayers and thoughts. Reg Hermans

Reg Hermans - March 04, 2015 at 09:23 PM



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RW

I only now found out that Joe passed away, this through a Mater Christi bulletin. Memories include St. James grammar school, VI high school, Siena College and the Veterans' Club. I would meet Joe occasionally, at odd places, the super market, some reunion, and the last time at a wake. Despite our infrequent meetings, Joe always recognized me and greeted me with a huge grin and friendly conversation. Joe was a family man, he served his country, he served the community through his teaching vocation and his volunteer work. I am deeply saddened that I will not run into Joe again, at least in this life, and see his broad grin and hear his friendly banter. There are few gentlemen left in this world...we lost one of the few with Joe's passing. God Bless his family and keep them safe.

Ron Wheeler - April 20, 2015 at 09:29 AM