



Joseph Tornabene

May 30, 1946 - December 21, 2020

On Monday, December 21, 2020 Joseph Tornabene, beloved and loving husband, father, grandfather, uncle and friend passed away at the age of 74.

Joe's passion in life was always his family and his love for them. He was a devoted, loving husband to the "love of his life", Jeanne. He truly adored and loved his "bride" for over 52 years. He was an extraordinary father who loved his daughters unconditionally. He showed them this love their whole lives and always supported them in any manner he could. For Joe, the sun rose and set on his grandchildren. He loved them more than life itself.

Joe was a generous and giving friend. He was always there if you needed him. Anyone who knew him loved him. He was strong in his faith and was a kind and compassionate person.

Joe was born on May 30, 1946 in Rochester, NY. He served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. When Joe returned from service, he met and married his wife Jeanne in 1969. They resided in Ontario, NY, started a family and had two daughters. Joe and Jeanne were business owners of Jeanne's Beauty Corner in Webster, NY until they moved to Cape Coral, Florida in 1977 and owned Donn's Hair Fashions. They resided in Cape Coral for 30 years where they raised their family. As supportive parents of their daughter Tricia, they then moved to Orlando, Florida to help raise their

grandchildren. Upon news of their daughter Andrea starting a family, they then moved to North Port, Florida where they eventually retired and raised all four of their grandchildren. After retirement, Joe enjoyed working for the Charlotte County School District where he was loved by his co-workers.

Joe was a loving son and brother and was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Lena Tornabene and his sisters, Joanne Bonacci and Jeannette Versage. He is survived by his loving wife, Jeanne Tornabene and his beloved daughters, Tricia Whisonant and her husband Michael, Andrea Donza and her husband Tony, his four grandchildren, Julia Whisonant, Mia Whisonant, AJ Donza and Ava Donza. Joe was also a supportive and loving Uncle and Great Uncle to many nieces and nephews.

Joe will be greatly missed and always remembered by, as Joe always called her, "his wifey... love of his life", his dog "Holly" and family. He was and always will be the heart of his family.

A mass service will be held at St Maximilian Kolbe Church, Thursday December 31, 2020 at 11am. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that donations be made to the "Wounded Warrior Project"- woundedwarriorproject.org or the Stephen Siller "Tunnel to Towers" Foundation-tunnels2towers.org in memory of Joseph Tornabene.

Arrangements are under the care of Gendron Funeral & Cremation Services Inc. located at 14538 Tamiami Trail, North Port, FL 34287. 941-365-1767. www.gendronfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Service

DEC **31**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St Maximilian Kolbe Church
1441 Spear Street
Port Charlotte, FL 33948

Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph Tornabene*

October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ *Joseph Tornabene*

January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



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Tricia - December 28, 2020 at 06:21 PM



“ *Tricia sent a virtual gift in memory of Joseph Tornabene*



Tricia - December 28, 2020 at 12:02 PM

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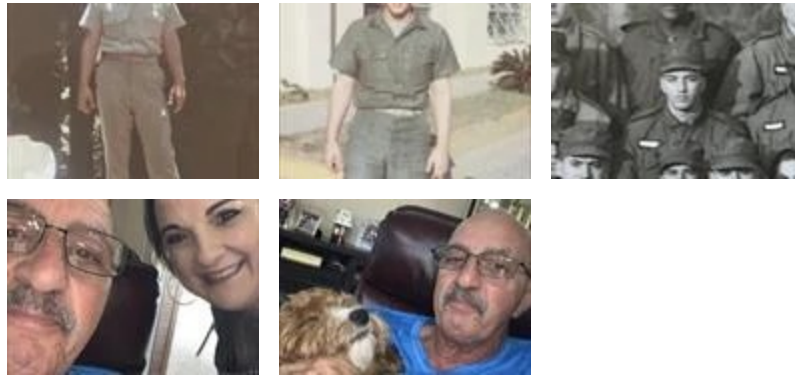
“ *Tricia lit a candle in memory of Joseph Tornabene*



Tricia - December 28, 2020 at 12:02 PM



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Andrea Tornabene-Donza - December 24, 2020 at 10:15 AM



“ *Andrea Tornabene-Donza sent a virtual gift in memory of Joseph Tornabene*



Andrea Tornabene-Donza - December 24, 2020 at 09:23 AM



“ *Andrea Tornabene-Donza lit a candle in memory of Joseph Tornabene*



Andrea Tornabene-Donza - December 24, 2020 at 09:22 AM

AJ

“ *Alicia & Ron Jean lit a candle in memory of Joseph Tornabene*



Alicia & Ron Jean - December 24, 2020 at 09:10 AM

MK

“ *I have fond memories of the support that Joe showed me while I lived in Cape Coral. He helped find me a job at a local bank and his home was always open for me. Jeanne, Tricia and Andrea my sympathy goes out to you all. Love from afar, Michelle Gagliano*

Michelle Kalke - December 24, 2020 at 05:57 AM

MS

“ *So sorry for your loss, keeping your family in my thoughts and prayers.
Marilyn and Ken Schuman*



Marilyn Schuman - December 24, 2020 at 01:08 AM

RR

“ *Robin Dawn Ryan lit a candle in memory of Joseph Tornabene*



Robin Dawn Ryan - December 23, 2020 at 09:23 PM

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“ *The Alaimo Family lit a candle in memory of Joseph Tornabene*

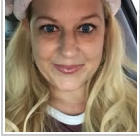


The Alaimo Family - December 23, 2020 at 08:06 PM

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“ *To The Tornabene Family*
We are very heartbroken and saddened to learn about the passing of our dear friend Joe. He was one of the best human beings anyone could have for a friend, in fact he was more than a friend he was family. Joe was always willing to help people any way he could. When we met Joe and his family 21 years ago, after moving in next door, it was an instant bonding, that was never broken. Joe was a very family oriented, compassionate, and loving individual, which one could not help, but admire the qualities he possessed. Joe was a very proud, husband, father, grandfather, and uncle, and a great friend to many people, everyone loved Joe. We will miss him so terribly, that words cannot describe. We love you Joe. Rest In Peace our brother, you are with the Lord.
The Alaimo Family

The Alaimo Family - December 23, 2020 at 08:04 PM



“ Kimberly Brown lit a candle in memory of Joseph Tornabene



Kimberly Brown - December 23, 2020 at 07:04 PM



“ Joe, an amazing employee and friend. So considerate and helpful, offering assistance, whether I needed it or not. My response to Joe was always “ Joe, If I could clone you, I would!”
Such a humble man. A huge loss to me personally as well as to our entire school bus transportation community. God Bless you all dealing with a huge loss, I will miss Joe (my friend) so much. ❤️
Sincerely, Lynda Faieta

Lynda Faieta - December 23, 2020 at 06:46 PM



“ The Alaimo Family lit a candle in memory of Joseph Tornabene



The Alaimo Family - December 23, 2020 at 05:30 PM



“ Pj lit a candle in memory of Joseph Tornabene



pj - December 23, 2020 at 05:00 PM

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“ *Pj sent a virtual gift in memory of Joseph Tornabene*



pj - December 23, 2020 at 05:00 PM



“ *Andrea Tornabene-Donza sent a virtual gift in memory of Joseph Tornabene*



Andrea Tornabene-Donza - December 23, 2020 at 12:01 PM



“ *Andrea Tornabene-Donza lit a candle in memory of Joseph Tornabene*



Andrea Tornabene-Donza - December 23, 2020 at 12:01 PM



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Andrea Tornabene-Donza - December 23, 2020 at 12:00 PM



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Tricia Whisonant - December 23, 2020 at 11:57 AM



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Tricia Whisonant - December 23, 2020 at 08:58 AM

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