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Joe peacefully laid down his trophies while clinging to the old rugged cross on February 16, at the age of 94 with his wife Bernice and daughter Victoria by his side. He was born in Clinton, MA to John Henry Tansey & Anna (Lafountain)Tansey. His brother Gene lives in Weechi Wachee.

Brothers John, Ronnie & his sister Teresea predeceased him.

Joe grew up & then graduated as class president from Peterborough high school in Peterborough, NH. At which time he joined the air force to serve his country during the Korean war, He met and married Nancy Carabiniero (deceased) and then raised three daughters. He worked for Pratt & Whitney in CT, for a while when he was honorably discharged in 1954. His next challenge was to own a franchise in Cott beverage with his dad. Then they decided to build "Bowling Acres" in Peterborough, which was successful for over 40 years. Also adding a restaurant and mini mart for good measure. In 1977 he obeyed the gospel and was baptized into Christ.

He worshipped and was active in the Keene Church of Christ including being on the board of trustees for a home for unwed mothers. The same year he married Bernice (Michaud-Merrifield) and they moved to North Fort Myers, FL. Where he was part of the congregation and deacon for "the Sunshiners" & "widows ministry" At (Mcgregor) Church of Christ) Gulf Coast Church of Christ for many years, two card shops in FT, Myers and North Fort Myers were interesting to him, however "A-1 trophy" was in his sites. He enjoyed serving the people of the area for 20 years and was always willing to be in a leadership role, He was humbled, and so delighted to be part of honor flight m17 flying to Washington D.C. In 2018.

He was a member of the American legion, all local chambers of commerce, served as president of the New Hampshire Candlepin Bowling Association. Joe was always willing to serve in a leadership role wherever he was involved.



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He was devoted to the church family and formed many close friendships (they know who they are) his wife, family, country and community.

He leaves behind, in hopes of being reunited again through Christ, his wife of 46 years, two daughters, Christine (Carl) Jevne, Victoria Tanzi, two stepsons Michael Merrifield, Gary J. Merrifield (Shelly), 13 grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren, Rick Davis & Larry Kooi. He treasured his family and friends which includes many sisters and brothers in law, cousins, nephews & nieces, he was blessed with a devoted niece, Sue. Before he went to be with Jesus (by God's Grace) he moved to Bayshore village where he & Bernice were blessed to be surrounded with loving and caring friends.

There will be a Memorial Service held in Joe's honor Saturday, March 29, 2025 at 11AM located at Gulf Coast Church of Christ. 9550 6 Mile Cypress Pkwy, Fort Myers, FL 33966

In lieu of flowers you may donate to Liberty Youth Ranch, Gulf Coast Church of Christ or St. Matthews House in Joe's honor.





Events


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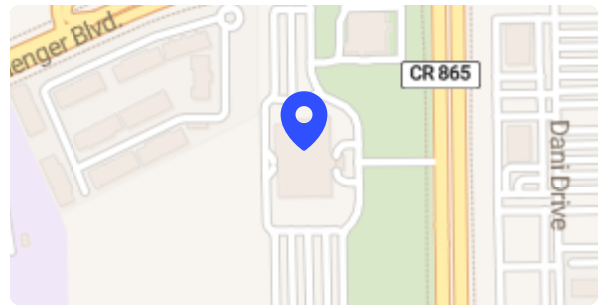
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Celebration of Life

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 11:00 AM ET

 **Gulf Coast Church of Christ**
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KH

Kelly Hammer posted:

I was Joe & Bernie's realtor a few years ago. They left a lasting impression on me. Joe was just fun and an absolute pleasure ALL of the time. I know he had a wonderful life and a wonderful wife, he was very lucky. I also know he will be greatly missed. Kelly Hammer

March 21 at 11:10 AM

DC

Danielle Capone posted:

I will always have fond memories of Joe. Our conversations at the pool and his dry sense of humor. RIP Joe ✨ We all know you are now with the Lord ✨

March 1 at 4:23 PM

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March 1 at 4:21 PM



Dan Larochelle shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

So sorry for your loss. From the LaRoche family.



February 27 at 5:24 PM

AR

Angela Robinson March 22 at 5:42 PM

I remember Mr. LaRoche! Papa brought us to see him and I remember Bob letting Papa use his vehicle when he came to visit us in NH. I also remember going to see the Christmas light display as a kid! I am Diane's daughter.



Mary Fullenkamp posted:

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Mary Fullenkamp posted:

In my childhood, after my grandfather's (John Tansey) passing, Uncle Joe and Aunt Bernie were always happy to join us at Grandparents Day Luncheons and the like. This kind gesture made a huge difference in our lives back then and the memories will always be treasured.

February 27 at 2:51 PM



Rick Davis posted:

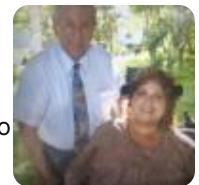
Papa Joe was my Father-in-law for 51 years as I was blessed too marry his daughter Diane in 1972. Papa took me under his wing and showed me the Love of Christ.He was my brother in Christ and He always lived it out with Love , kindness, gentleness, faithfulness and all the Fruits of the Holy Spirit. Rick Davis

February 27 at 8:34 AM



Victoria Tanzi shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Though each of Joe's daughters liked to be considered "the favorite" I'll concede the honor goes to our sweet sister, Diane, who had the joy of welcoming Daddy into eternity with Jesus.



February 27 at 7:55 AM

AR **Angela Robinson** March 22 at 5:43 PM

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MR

Melanie Richards posted:

I'm so sorry for your loss Aunt Bernice. I will always remember the visit when I came down and your grandson visited as well and called him papa Joe . I loved that and the connection they had. I always wanted to call him "papa Joe" after that instead of " Uncle Joe". He was a very warm, kind friendly man. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Melanie Richards

February 26 at 8:57 PM



Ron Jones posted:

Bernie,Our prayers are with you and your family. Joe was a wonderful, kind, and seriously gentle man. Judy and I have the fondest memories of you and Joe, and those memories will have to sustain us until we all meet again in heaven. And I am sure that will happen!We will contribute to the Liberty Youth Ranch in Joe's name.May the Lord bless you and give you peace.

February 26 at 3:39 PM

JB

Jerry Black posted:

My deepest condolences. I have such great memories of Mr. Joe growing up. He and Ms. Bernice loved us like their own children. He lived a life to be proud of and will be missed. Lifting the family up in prayer.

February 26 at 1:39 PM



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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Joseph "Joe" by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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