



## Joseph Thomas Wurtenberg

December 21, 1941 - January 12, 2021

Joe passed peacefully on January 12, 2021 at the age of 79. Beloved husband of 60 years to Carol (nee Kennedy). Loving father of Joseph, Jr. (Karen) and Cheryl Coyle (Jim). Devoted Pop of Morgan, Ryan, Madison, and Joseph III. Son of the late Howard and Emma. Brother of Cork, Sam, Blanche, Patty, Jimmy, Donna, and the late Jack, Joan, and Walter.

Philadelphia was Joe's home for almost 70 years before he moved to North Carolina with his wife in 2010. Joe was an avid Phillies and Eagles fan. He watched all their games with passion, often yelling at the TV when things weren't going well. He was overjoyed when the Eagles won the Super Bowl. In addition to watching his teams play, Joe loved to play cards, the lottery, and the horses. He was always dreaming of the big win. A lover of Wildwood, Joe and his wife spent many summers down the shore. He was especially happy when his grandchildren could join them there.

In his last days, Joe expressed pride, joy, and love for his two children and four grandchildren, and he professed his eternal love for his wife ("Boez") - whom he'd adored from the first moment he met her.

Due to Covid, services will be private. A Memorial Service will be held in Joe's honor at a later date in Philadelphia. Donations in his memory may be made to Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Attn: Donor Services, P.O. Box 98018,

Washington, DC 20090, <https://donate.ils.org/ils/donate>

# Tribute Wall

CY

“ I met Joe and Carol through my parents who were their next door neighbors in Cary, NC.  
From the moment I was introduced to them, I knew they were good people and I liked them very much. My parents were blessed to have them as neighbors and friends. I visited with Joe only twice and remember him as having a good sense of humor and a kind, warm and gentle manner. Carol and Joe were saints in watching out for our father. My father, mother, brother and myself will be forever grateful for their presence in our lives. Please accept our condolences on your loss and know that we hold you in our minds and hearts.

*Connie Rowe-Youmans and Scott Youmans*

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**Connie Youmans** - January 30, 2021 at 02:41 AM

DF

“ Joe II and Family,  
I speak on behalf of myself and your many friends at WRA when I say that those of us who know you well, and were also fortunate enough to meet your father agree that the apple did not fall far from the tree. Losing your Dad therefore meant the world has lost a kind and amazing individual who has given generously of himself.

*We are saddened at your loss and will grieve along with you, keeping your incredible family in our thoughts and prayers.*

*David and your many friends at WRA.*

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**David Frank** - January 27, 2021 at 10:22 AM

CC

“ *My Dad always believed in me. He believed I could do anything I set my mind to, which helped me believe it.*



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**Cheryl Coyle** - January 21, 2021 at 06:29 PM

MW

“ *I always enjoyed pip and his dad's interactions. You could always see their love and respect for one another. I could always see where joe got his love for family. He is truly a great man that will be missed*

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**mary wright** - January 16, 2021 at 08:31 PM

CH

“ *Mr Pip!  
So many memories in my youth of you and the family, growing up in Philly and playing soccer. We will miss you! But heaven has just been blessed by your addition!*

*Fly Eagles, Fly! Go Phillies! Go Flyers!  
Chuck & Nora Gilman*

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**Chuck** - January 15, 2021 at 01:43 PM

GH

“ Mr Joe, words cant begin to express my love for you and Ms Carol. You both have been a constant and blessed presence in my life. Honored to have known such a hardworking, loving , and fighting man. You fought the fight with grace and tenacity. So strong even on your worst days. Hardworking , you just meet someone and from go you know this man worked hard, son of Philly. Love. He Loved Philly,lived Philly. The only love I knew more than Philly was his beautiful wife Carol and family. Joe every visit was raving about his kids and grandchildren. Everytime. I will forever cherish our conversations. How inspiring this man was to me and my life. May God watch over you in this time, I'll be here a phone call away if you need anything.

With Love

Gary,Rachel and Addison Harmon

APEX,NC

For you Joe, Go Phillies! GO Eagles!!!!

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**Gary Harmon** - January 15, 2021 at 10:43 AM

JD

“ You will be very missed Uncle Joe. I always enjoyed talking sports and life with you. I am so happy you finally got to see the Eagles 🏈 win the super bowl and the Phillies again in “08”.I know your family and your best friend are there for you.We love you Aunt Carol,Pip,Cheryl and the rest of the family.Our thoughts and prayers are with you.❤️ Love, Jim and Karen Devlin

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**james j devlin** - January 14, 2021 at 05:03 PM

GR

“ Sorry for you loss. Joe was my fomer boss at Merill Lynch.

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**German Riveros** - January 14, 2021 at 04:51 PM

CC

*Hi German, I think you may be confusing my dad with my brother. My dad never worked at Merrill - that was my brother.*

**Cheryl Coyle** - January 15, 2021 at 12:24 PM

PM

“*Dear Family I am sorry for your loss . JOE WAS A man who lit up a room with his remarks.I will always re member our Wildwood days. He is gone but never will be forgotten love Aunt Patty*

**Patricia Mroz** - January 14, 2021 at 04:42 PM

GB

“*Carol and family, I am very sorry for your loss. I enjoyed chatting with Joe whenever we met as we could talk pro sports. Joe was as partial to his teams as I was to mine. He was exactly who a person wants as their neighbor. May Joe rest in peace.*

**Gary Bulduc** - January 14, 2021 at 04:19 PM

GH

“*Mrs, Wurtenberg, Pip and Cheryl, I am so sorry for your loss, your Dad was a great guy I have many memories of him when we were growing up back on Lansing St. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your families in this sad time. God has gained an Angel up in heaven. God Bless,  
Jerry Hindman*



**Gerald Hindman** - January 14, 2021 at 02:41 PM

LS

“ Joe and family I'm so sorry for your loss. While I didn't know your father based on the memories posted it sounds like your dad was a fun loving wonderful person. I know this is a very difficult time for all of you, may the memories you have comfort you in your time of need. Wishing you comfort and strength in the days and weeks ahead.

*Lisa Scheuerman*

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**Lisa Scheuerman** - January 14, 2021 at 01:47 PM

BB

“ Joe & Family: We are so very sorry for your loss. Keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers. Brandon Buckley & Michael Tumolo

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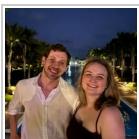
**Brandon Buckley** - January 14, 2021 at 09:39 AM



“ Mrs. Wurtenberg, Pip, Karen, Cheryl, Jim, Morgan, Ryan, Madison and Joseph we are so sorry for your loss. What an amazing man he was, he had so much love for you all and expressed that love all the time. He is in peace now and we pray that all of your memories will bring you comfort everyday! The Hood Family.

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**Dianne Hood** - January 13, 2021 at 06:17 PM



“ My pop was always there for me. He would say I looked like a movie star. Here he is with me when I went to prom. He will forever be in my heart. I love him and will miss him forever



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**Madison Coyle** - January 13, 2021 at 05:28 PM