



Joseph Anthony Casanova

February 9, 1940 - June 11, 2024

Joseph A. Casanova, passed away on June 11th, 2024, at the age of 84. He was born on February 9th, 1940, in Detroit, MI, son of Joseph Casanova and Rose Palazzolo. Joe was married to the love of his life, Kathleen (nee Heffron), for 44 years.

His family was the light of his life. He was a loving and devoted father to Ryan (Amanda) Casanova and Kaitlyn Casanova. His kids were his pride and joy. He loved watching Katie's performances and taking Ryan to car shows. He adored his grandsons, Kellen and Graham, and never missed an opportunity to snuggle with them. Seeing them play was always the highlight of his day. Watching his family grow up made him an incredibly proud father and grandfather.

Joe is survived by his siblings, Michael (Lee Ann) Casanova and Roselyn (Bill) Breisacher and many loving nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by his brother, Peter Casanova and infant brother, Frank Casanova. Joe was very close to his siblings, and even though he couldn't get out much in the past few years, he always made a point to call his family and friends as often as he could and remind them that he loved them.

Joe had the kindest soul and had a warm and welcoming heart. He loved all animals including the bunnies in the backyard and birds at the birdfeeder, but

he especially loved dogs. His dachshunds, Odie and Chelsea, were his special buddies.

He was known to confidently put ketchup on everything. Pasta and his mother's chicken broth also held a special place in his heart. Joe did not love vegetables but would always begrudgingly eat them for Katie.

Joe served in the U.S. Army before beginning a career at Ford Motor Company. He was a car guy through and through. Joe retired from Ford after three decades. He cherished all of the cars that he owned and was known to keep each window sticker. He enjoyed looking through pictures and reminiscing over his favorite ones. Joe was always on the hunt for the next car and enjoyed taking Ryan to the dealership to go shopping. He took meticulous care of each one.

Please join the family for a visitation on Monday, June 17th from 3-9pm with a 7pm Rosary service at Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons, 36900 Schoenherr at Metro Parkway (16 Mile Rd). The funeral will be Tuesday, June 18th, with instate at 9am, at St. Blase Catholic Church, 12151 15 Mile Rd (Between Schoenherr & Dodge Park) until time of Mass at 9:30am. Interment at Resurrection Cemetery following.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Joe's memory would be appreciated to the Tuberous Sclerosis Alliance @ www.tscalliance.org
The TSC Alliance is dedicated to finding a cure for tuberous sclerosis complex, while improving the lives of those affected. Share memories with the family at their "On-Line Guest Book" @ WujekCalcaterra.com.

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

18201 Clinton River Road
Clinton Township, MI 48038

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 17. 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Wujek - Calcaterra & Sons Inc - Sterling
36900 SCHOENHERR RD
Sterling Heights, MI 48312

Rosary

JUN 17. 7:00 PM (ET)

Wujek - Calcaterra & Sons Inc - Sterling
36900 SCHOENHERR RD
Sterling Heights, MI 48312

Instate / Funeral Mass

JUN 18. 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM (ET)

St. Blase Church
12151 15 Mile Road
Sterling Heights, MI 48312

Tribute Wall



“ *Love Team Foster purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Joseph Anthony Casanova.*



Love Team Foster - June 17, 2024 at 03:20 PM



“ *The only time I believe I met Joe was at Kathy and Joe's wedding....such a handsome groom and beautiful bride. My condolences to your family. Ruth (Bonini) Hurst*



Ruth Bonini Hurst - June 16, 2024 at 03:27 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joseph Anthony Casanova.*



June 16, 2024 at 03:57 AM

JS

“ Joseph & Caterina Spada lit a candle in memory of Joseph Anthony Casanova



Joseph & Caterina Spada - June 15, 2024 at 01:40 PM

LF

“ Love, The McGarry and Nawrot Families purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Joseph Anthony Casanova.



Love, The McGarry and Nawrot Families - June 14, 2024 at 04:58 PM

LF

“ Love, The McGarry and Nawrot Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph Anthony Casanova.

Love, The McGarry and Nawrot Families - June 14, 2024 at 04:58 PM

LM

“ I got to sit by Uncle Joe every Sunday at grandma and grandpa's house for those delicious dinners. He amazed me by putting ketchup on everything even in his chicken soup! He also put milk in his pop. He would just look over and smile as I stared. Lots of great memories with you Uncle Joe. You were a great man. ❤️🙏💕

Lee Ann McGarry - June 13, 2024 at 08:38 AM

CF

“ Joe was a good man. We enjoyed being neighbors with him and Kathy. Our kids played together. We send our sympathy and prayers to Kathy, Ryan and Katie. Keith and Claudia Flemingloss

Claudia Flemingloss - June 12, 2024 at 09:30 PM

LC

“ We will miss our wonderful Joey we love you always



Lee Ann Casanova - June 12, 2024 at 05:36 PM

CB

*Best memories ever
Sundays on Fort Street with
Grandpa and Grandma
Casanova*

Carol Bruck - June 12, 2024 at 09:04 PM