



Mr. Joseph A. Amuso

November 28, 1925 - October 15, 2016

Mr. Joseph A. Amuso, 90, of Churchill St., passed away on Saturday evening, October 15, 2016 at Mt. Greylock Extended Care Facility. Born on November 28, 1925 the son of Joseph and Marjorie Robertson Amuso, he was a graduate of Pittsfield High School.

Mr. Amuso was a US Navy Veteran of WWII. He was part of the Amphibious Forces serving in the American Theatre and was awarded 1 star for service in the European African Middle Eastern Theatre and 1 Star for service in the Pacific Theatre as well as the WWII Victory Medal. His ship was hit by a Kamikaze pilot during the war and had to be towed back to port. Which, at the time, was the longest Navy tow in history.

He was 32-year veteran of the Pittsfield Fire Department, retiring as Captain in 1983. The Amuso family has a long history of Firefighters, with 220 years combined services to the Pittsfield Fire Department.

Mr. Amuso was a member of the Pittsfield VFW Post 448 and past President of the Hinsdale Lions Club. He enjoyed fishing, gardening and had also been a Beekeeper. Joe was also an accomplished carpenter and helped construct homes for his children.

He was a communicant of St. Charles Church.

Mr. Amuso is survived by his wife of 68 years, the former Dorothy Londergan, whom he married on April 10, 1948 at Sacred Heart Church. He is also survived by his four children, Joseph Amuso (JoAnn), Peter T. Amuso (Genny), Daniel D. Amuso (Joyce) and Marjorie Amuso Wigglesworth (Peter),

all of Pittsfield; two brothers, Merton Amuso (Joan) and John Amuso (Barbara); two sisters, Teresa Layden and Diana Cormier; 14 grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by two brothers, James Amuso and Mark Amuso and his grandson, Michael Amuso.

The family of Joseph Amuso would like to thank the staff at Mt. Greylock Extended Care and HospiceCare in the Berkshires for the kind and compassionate care they gave Joe during his illness.

Funeral Notice:

Funeral services for Joseph A. Amuso will be Friday, October 21, 2016 at 9 a.m. from the Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North St., Pittsfield MA with a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. at St. Charles Church, celebrated by the Rev. A. Peter Gregory, pastor. Burial will follow in St. Joseph Cemetery. Calling hours at the funeral home will be Thursday, October 20, 2016 from 4 to 7 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to HospiceCare in the Berkshires, care of the Dwyer Funeral Home, in his memory. **DONATIONS CANNOT BE MADE ONLINE**, but may be made through the Dwyer Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Cemetery

222 Peck's Rd.
Pittsfield, MA 01201

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **20**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Dwyer Family Funeral Home
776 North Street
Pittsfield, MA 01201
(413) 442-5094
info@dwyerfuneral.com
<https://www.dwyerfuneral.com/>

Service

OCT **21**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Charles Church
89 Briggs Ave.
Pittsfield, MA 01201
<http://stcharlespittsfield.org/>

Tribute Wall

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“ *Our love and prayers to the Amuso family.*

Kip & Robbin Karr - October 23, 2016 at 07:17 PM

LM

“ *To the Amuso family,*

Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Louie & Mimi Meunier

Louis Meunier - October 23, 2016 at 12:49 PM

MC

“ *The Cronin Sisters have wonderful memories of happy summer visits to the Amuso farm on Churchill Street, especially the Fourth of July Firemen's Muster, milking cows, collecting eggs, stories of square dancing at the Balancing Rock Café, watching Joe create authentic Shaker baskets, and listening to travel stories of China and Chinese firefighters. We feel really blessed having known and loved this wonderful, gentle American hero and friend. We will miss him. From, Marie, Margaret, and Marilyn*

Marie, Margaret, and Marilyn Cronin - October 20, 2016 at 12:59 AM

AA

“ *RIP Uncle Joe, my love and sympathy to my cousins. I know he entered the after life with Grandma, Grandpa, Uncle Mark, Aunt Peggy, and my Mom and Dad. Give them all hugs from all of us! Rest well Uncle.*

Amy Amuso - October 19, 2016 at 07:48 AM

KF

“ *Kathy Kerin and family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Joseph A. Amuso.*



Kathy Kerin and family - October 18, 2016 at 08:46 PM

MB

“ *So sorry for your loss. Uncle Joe was a great man and will be missed by many. I have many memories of Amuso gatherings, and I am cherishing them more and more as time passes and we loose the core of our family. Love to all, especially Aunt Dot.*

Michele Barnard - October 18, 2016 at 06:20 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Mr. Joseph A. Amuso.*



October 18, 2016 at 04:53 PM