



Mr. Joseph "Joe" Bourquard

June 1, 1941 - February 21, 2025

Mr. Joseph E. Bourquard, of Pittsfield, passed away on Friday, February 21, 2025. Born in Pittsfield, MA, on June 1, 1941, son of the late Victor and Mildred Laurin Bourquard, he graduated from St. Joseph High School.

Joe began his career at Pratt and Whitney in Connecticut, and later worked at General Electric, transitioning with the company into General Dynamics, for 34 years until his retirement.

Joe was a volunteer for the Berkshire Mountain Search and Rescue Team, where he served as Captain for many years. He was also Captain of the Pittsfield Police Auxiliary, from where he escorted sports teams after their championship games, as well as many veterans home after returning from Afghanistan. Additionally, Joe was a valued member of the Knights of Columbus.

Among many things, he loved making log cabin styled birdhouses that he designed on his own.

Joe is survived by his beloved wife of 58 years, the former Johanna Teti, whom he married at Mt. Carmel Church, on May 14, 1966. Together, he and Johanna shared not only a passion for helping others, but a life filled with laughter and love.

He also leaves behind his son, Joseph P. Bourquard (Nichole Daly), as well as his grandchildren, Kylee and Kacie Bourquard. He is survived by his sisters, Judy Magg (Robert), Mary Ellen Berg (Carroll), and brother, Daniel Bourquard (Martha), as well as many nieces and nephews of New Hampshire. He also leaves his sister-in-law Marie Flanders (Jim), niece Susan Glover (Lindsey), great nieces, and great grand nieces from Texas.

Besides his parents, he was predeceased by his brother, Dennis V. Bourquard, and his niece, Jacqueline Flanders Mosier.

Joe's greatest legacy in life, which will be remembered by all of those who were blessed to have known him, was being a good man.

His family would like to extend a special thank you to all of the nurses and staff at Hillcrest Commons, Unit 2 West, for their extraordinary care and compassion throughout Joe's last seven weeks which were spent there, as well as the emergency responders for their help.

Funeral Notice:

Funeral services for Joseph E. Bourquard will be Friday, March 7, 2025, with a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 9am at St. Joseph Church, celebrated by the Rev. Michael A. Shershanovich, Pastor. Burial will follow at St. Joseph Cemetery.

Calling hours will be Thursday, March 6, 2025, from 4pm to 6pm at the Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North St, Pittsfield MA 01201.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Joe's memory can be made to the Berkshire Humane Society and the Rock N' Race 5K Run/Walk Fundraiser supporting

Dan Bourquard who is running in his brother's memory. You can donate or sign up to run/walk on the website www.runsignup.com/danbourquard, you can also donate to the fundraiser through the Dwyer Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Cemetery

222 Peck's Rd.
Pittsfield, MA 01201

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 6. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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

Service

MAR 7. 9:00 AM (ET)

St. Joseph Cemetery
222 Peck's Rd.
Pittsfield, MA 01201

Tribute Wall

GD

“ A very friendly and compassionate man. Joe was very hospitable to me and my husband when we first joined St. Joseph Parish. He always remembered the little things that make life livable. RIP my friend.
Gerry Dahrouge



Gerry Dahrouge - March 14, 2025 at 03:09 PM

CT

“ Joe was a great classmate. He will surely be mist at our yearly reunions. I enjoyed discussions with him there, and his company. May he rest in peace with our Lord

Conrad Thorwarth
conradthorwarth@gmail.com

conrad thorwarth - March 06, 2025 at 08:12 AM

LE

“ Johanna and Joe, I was saddened to hear about Joe's passing. He was such a vibrant person and a true lover of life. I can't tell you how thankful I will always be for all of the help, support and time he gave to me and the Hibbard family over the years. I will always remember his positive attitude and his many offers to pitch in whenever needed. I will be out of town during his services but I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers.
With my sympathy, Lee Steele

Lee - March 02, 2025 at 07:38 AM

JB

“ so sorry joe for your loss sending hugs and thoughts to you and your family

jessica b - March 01, 2025 at 10:12 AM

JS

“ Dear Johanna, Joseph and your extended family,
Sad to read about Joe and want you to know that you are in my heart and my prayer. Joe was one of a kind and I'm blessed to have known him.
Peace,
Julie

Julie Sullivan, SSJ - March 01, 2025 at 09:21 AM

MM

“ Saddened to learn of Joe's passing. He and his wife were a team that would help anyone at anytime. Quite a loss.

Michael McMahon - February 28, 2025 at 01:54 PM