



Joseph M. Franek

May 16, 1930 - February 6, 2019

Hamburg - Joseph Franek, age 88, peacefully passed away on Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at his residence while surrounded by his loving family. Born in Clarence, Pennsylvania to the late Joseph and Agnes (Mihalik) Franek, Joseph had lived in New York City for 25 years before moving to Hamburg in 1976. Mr. Franek had served in the United States Army; moved directly to work for the National Security Administration upon his discharge. Over his lifetime, he owned several small grocery store businesses in NYC. Much of his professional lifetime was devoted to large scale baking businesses throughout the U.S. He was employed by American Bakeries Inc. as Superintendent in NYC, Plant Manager for Northeast Foods Inc., Edison, NJ. Upon retirement in 1996, he started a new workplace safety business, Safeway; a business that thrives today under leadership of his son, Michael. Mr. Franek is author of four books of both fiction and non. A selection of his writings can be accessed at <http://www.thoughtsonthethreshold.org>, a site he actively maintained. He was a member of St. Jude The Apostle Church in Hamburg, an avid fisherman and gifted golfer.

Mr. Franek was predeceased by his brother, Robert Franek, and his first wife, Victoria (Papio). He is survived by his loving wife of 48 years, Lorraine (Della Volpe); his sons, Joseph S. and his wife, Christine, of North Carolina, Michael and his wife, Josephine, of Bronx, New York, Robert and his husband, Mario Lopez-Cordero, of New York, New York, and Thomas and his wife, Angela, of

Dunmore, Pennsylvania; his daughter, Lori Ann Franek, of Brooklyn, New York; his brothers, Frank of Montoursville, Pennsylvania, John and his wife, Anne, of Clarence, Pennsylvania, Andrew and his wife, Diana of Clarence, Pennsylvania, and David and his wife, Carol, of Washington, DC; his sisters, Cecelia Hoover of Snowshoe, Pennsylvania and Doris Cook of Pine Glen, Pennsylvania; five grandchildren; and two great grandchildren.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday, February 11, 2019 at St. Jude The Apostle Church, Beaver Run Road, Hamburg. Private cremation services will be held at the convenience of the family. Friends may pay their respects to the family from 2 to 7 p.m. on Sunday, February 10, 2019 at the Pinkel Funeral Home, 31 Bank Street (Route 23), Sussex. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Joseph Franek's memory to Karen Ann Quinlan Center, 99 Sparta Avenue, Newton, NJ 07461. Online condolences may be offered to the family at www.pinkelfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Private Cremation Services

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 10. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Pinkel Funeral Home, Inc.
31 Bank Street (Route 23)
Sussex, NJ 07461
(973) 875-3272
alexis@pinkelfuneralhome.com
<https://www.pinkelfuneralhome.com/>

Mass of Christian Burial

FEB 11. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Jude The Apostle Church
4-24 Beaver Run Road
Hamburg, NJ 07419

Tribute Wall



“ *Friends Of George Cook lit a candle in memory of Joseph M. Franek*



Friends of George cook - March 12, 2021 at 08:11 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joseph M. Franek.*



February 10, 2019 at 04:32 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joseph M. Franek.*



February 09, 2019 at 12:45 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Joseph M. Franek.*



February 08, 2019 at 10:03 PM

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“ *All my love, Lynne Franek-Costet purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Joseph M. Franek.*



All my love, Lynne Franek-Costet - February 08, 2019 at 04:20 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Joseph M. Franek.*



February 08, 2019 at 03:23 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joseph M. Franek.*



February 08, 2019 at 01:19 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Joseph M. Franek.*



February 08, 2019 at 12:58 PM



“ *Majestic Heart was purchased for the family of Joseph M. Franek.*



February 08, 2019 at 12:35 PM



“ *Andrea, Madeline, Jennie and Rehana (SMG) purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Joseph M. Franek.*



Andrea, Madeline, Jennie and Rehana (SMG) - February 08, 2019 at 10:35 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joseph M. Franek.*



February 08, 2019 at 10:09 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joseph M. Franek.*



February 08, 2019 at 09:55 AM



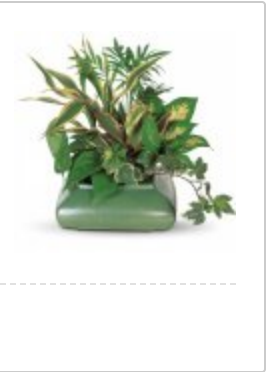
“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Joseph M. Franek.



February 08, 2019 at 09:48 AM



“ *Small Garden Dish* was purchased for the family of Joseph M. Franek.



February 08, 2019 at 09:45 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Joseph M. Franek.



February 08, 2019 at 09:07 AM



“ *Matson, Driscoll & Damico, LLP purchased the Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Joseph M. Franek.



Matson, Driscoll & Damico, LLP - February 08, 2019 at 09:01 AM

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“ Joe was the sweetest, gentlest, toughest, smartest, most loving and genuine man that we had the honor to know. His love of family, his incredible drive and ambition and infectious laugh are things I will always remember. He welcomed us into his home, shared his thoughts and wisdom and just truly loved life. Whenever I see anything to do with Seinfeld... I smile and think of Joe. He was truly a class act. Rest in peace Joe. Love you. Liz, Christopher and Andrew Reeves.

Liz Reeves - February 07, 2019 at 09:59 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joseph M. Franek.



February 07, 2019 at 09:03 PM

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“ Love, Tony, Tina & Julie Bonsanti purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Joseph M. Franek.



Love, Tony, Tina & Julie Bonsanti - February 07, 2019 at 06:34 PM

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“ rip frank your a nice guy when i detailed your BMW every year. classic detail

mike spinella - February 07, 2019 at 06:26 PM