



Joseph A. Podgorski

August 6, 1928 - February 19, 2022

Joseph A. Podgorski, Jr., 93, of Hampshire, passed away Saturday morning, Feb. 19, 2022, at OSF St. Anthony Medical Center in Rockford.

He was born Aug. 6, 1928, in Chicago, the son of Joseph Sr. and Mary (Jaszczorowski) Podgorski. Joe served in the U.S. Marine Corps at the very end of WWII. He married Josephine Ligenza in 1951 and after her death in 1985, Joe married Nancy Schwass in 1996. She passed away in 2020. Joe was a longtime tool and die maker and was a co-owner and partner in Hampshire Specialty Products. He was a member of the of St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church in Hampshire and was also a member of the Hampshire VFW Post # 8043.

He is survived by his son, John (Sue) Podgorski; 4 grandsons, Christopher (Heather) Podgorski, Joseph (Laura) Podgorski, John (Becky) Podgorski, and James (Andrea Solem and son, Jeremy) Podgorski; stepdaughter, Anne (Steve) Conro; stepson, James (Angie) Barnes; step-grandchildren, Miranda (Matthew) Anderson, Brendan, and Kate Barnes; great-grandsons, Caleb, Tyler & Evan Podgorski; step great-granddaughter, Giana Anderson; and a nephew, Tim (Karen) Kruzel.

He is preceded in death by his parents; his two wives, Josephine and Nancy; a son, James A. Podgorski; a brother, John W. Podgorski; and a sister, Mary

Ann (Frank) Kruzel.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 12 Noon Saturday, March 5 at the St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, 297 E. Jefferson Ave. in Hampshire. Burial will follow in the St. Charles Borromeo Cemetery.

Visitation will be Saturday from 10 – 11:30 AM at Fredrick Funeral Home, 284 Park St. Hampshire.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in Joe's name may be directed to St. Jude Children's Hospital at www.stjude.org

Cemetery Details

St. Charles Borromeo Cemetery

Getzelman Road
Hampshire, IL 60140

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 5. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Fredrick Funeral Home
284 Park St.
Hampshire, IL 60140
(847) 683-2711
<https://www.fredrickfuneralhome.com/>

Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 5. 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church
297 E. Jefferson Ave.
Hampshire, IL 60140

Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Nancy Call - February 27, 2022 at 10:45 AM



Remembering many lunches for many years shared with Nanc and Joe. Thoughts and prayers from Florida for family from us.

Nancy Call - February 27, 2022 at 10:47 AM



“ Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Joseph A. Podgorski.



February 25, 2022 at 08:59 PM



“ Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Joseph A. Podgorski.



February 25, 2022 at 06:53 PM