



Joseph J. Swider Sr.

August 18, 1940 - December 5, 2013

Joseph J. Swider, Sr., age 73, husband of Judith A. (Scanlon) Swider, of Linfield, PA, formerly of Jeffersonville and Roxborough, PA, died Thursday morning, December 5th, 2013 in the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA . Born in Philadelphia, he was a son of the late Michael S. and Mary (Rippert) Swider. Mr. Swider was a 1958 graduate of the Roman Catholic High School in Philadelphia. He worked for many years for the Philadelphia Fire Department, retiring in 1990. After his retirement, he worked as a driver for Quest Diagnostics in Horsham, PA. He was also a member of the St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church in Spring City. He enjoyed golfing in several leagues and the time he could spend with his entire family.

In addition to his wife of 52 years, Mr. Swider is survived by three children: Stephen J., husband of Karen A. (Russial) Swider, of King of Prussia; Barbara J. Swider, of Exton, PA; Gregory J., husband of Elizabeth V. (Gouveia) Swider, of TN; two brothers: Michael, husband of Jacqueline Swider, of Philadelphia; Eugene, husband of Carol Swider, of Lafayette Hill, PA; four grandchildren: Brendan, Ali, Hunter, Nikki; one great grandson: Austin. Mr. Swider was pre-deceased by one son: Joseph J. Swider, Jr., husband of Susan M. (Melnick) Swider, of Downingtown.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral mass at the St. Joseph's

Roman Catholic Church, 3640 Schuylkill Road, Spring City, PA 19475 on Wednesday, December 11, 2013 at 11:00 am. Officiating will be the Rev. Charles R. O'Hara. Entombment will be held privately at the convenience of the family. Friends will be received from 9:30 - 10:45 am Wednesday morning at the Church. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made in his name to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 15120, Chicago, IL, 60693. Condolences may be made and the video tribute may be viewed by visiting www.RoyersfordFuneralHome.com. The Cattermole-Klotzbach Funeral Home, 600 Washington Street, Royersford, PA is in charge of the arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 11. 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM (ET)

St. Joseph's R.C. Church
3640 Schuylkill Road
Spring City, PA 19475

Mass

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Tribute Wall



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Joseph J. Swider Sr..*



December 09, 2013 at 11:30 AM



“ *Greg, Liz and family,*

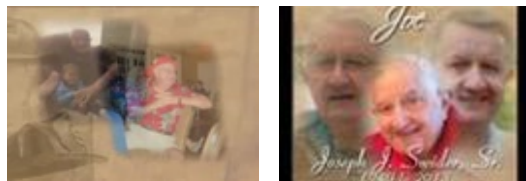
Our sincere condolences for your loss, may you always hold him close to your hearts and keep his memory alive with the many happy times you all shared together.

Love, Aunt Mick & Doug

Mickey Rodgers - December 08, 2013 at 10:53 PM



“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Coyle Funeral Home - December 07, 2013 at 03:13 PM

PS

“ Great person all his life. First person I meet when I was 6 yrs old, first day of grammar school, St Mary 's Manayunk. To the day of his passing I have never seen or heard of Joe being anything but a kind man. He will be missed by many. Pete Slawek

Pete Slawek - December 07, 2013 at 11:22 AM



“ Very Sad to hear of My Godfathers passing. Will always remember the White House- the Batman presentation @ the Firehouse- Joe's Attic next to the White House and Cherished times with his mom and dad on the other Lauriston Street! Miss my cousin Joe(RIP) and Susan. Shout out to Aunt Judy for taking good care of hi(m)s family! Love, Michael Swider and his Brother Mike and sister in law Jackie- and my sister Sandy and MY sig ot!

Michael Swider - December 07, 2013 at 10:53 AM

BH

“ A good man gone too soon.. RIP Joe

Bob Houston - December 07, 2013 at 08:14 AM

DD

“ For many years I had the pleasure of spending this time of the year in the Pocono Mountains deer hunting with Joe and his sons. Joe was always insightful and handled himself as a gentleman, spoke lovingly of his family and was a true pleasure to be with. While health issues kept him away the last few years, I will keep him always as part of my hunting memories . May Almighty God ease the suffering of his family at this time. Rest easy Joe . You will not be forgotten by the Reading Firefighters Hunting Camp.

David P. Doerrman - December 07, 2013 at 06:12 AM

BA

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Barbara - December 06, 2013 at 07:47 PM

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Barbara - December 06, 2013 at 07:46 PM

 Frank Schaeffer

“ *Rest In Peace brother from the officers and members of Colwyn fire company station 92 Delaware County Pa. we extend our prayers to the family at this difficult time.*

Frank Schaeffer - December 06, 2013 at 04:43 PM

BL

“ *Joe, was a great guy and a very integral part of Bn. 11 "B" platoon. He will be missed by all who knew him! Rest in Peace Joe!*

Bill Lacomchek - December 06, 2013 at 03:23 PM

ED

“ Joe was my close friend and mentor - a true warrior and a gentleman. The battles are now over. Rest in peace my friend.

Ed Dowling PFD



Ed - December 06, 2013 at 02:43 PM

Bill
Gault

Joe was a fireman who I can never thank enough RIP sir I miss you

Bill Gault - December 06, 2013 at 02:54 PM

JB

Joe was a great guy, gentleman, excellent firefighters who will be missed by all of his friends and family. R.I.P. Joe

Joe Barron - December 06, 2013 at 04:46 PM

JP

A SMILE, JOE ALWAYS HAD ONE JOHN PAG

JOHN PAG - December 07, 2013 at 08:00 AM

JB

Death is something we can never get use to because our creator never intended us to die, Isaiah 26:19

John Byrd - December 09, 2013 at 01:20 PM

PP

*My condolences & prayers go out to Judy & family. Joe always had a smile & a kind word to say, a real gentleman
Patti Littel Paris*

Patti Paris - December 09, 2013 at 02:04 PM

JC

Joe was a great friend, and will be missed by many people .He will live on in our Thoughts for eons.

My condolences to Judy and the Kids.

John & Kathy Conlow

John Conlow - December 10, 2013 at 05:09 PM