



## Joseph Shea

September 20, 1956 - April 2, 2018

Joseph Shea, 61, of Lake Villa, IL passed away on Monday, April 2, 2018.

Joseph was born in Rockville Centre, NY on September 20, 1956, the son of Jeremiah and the late Nancy Shea. He worked as a pilot for United Airlines for 30 years and gave 36 years of dedicated service to the Knights of Columbus. Joseph was strong in his faith and in his love for his family. He will be remembered as a devoted husband, father, and grandfather.

He is survived by his wife Linda; children Kathleen (Jonathon) Clemons, Monica Shea, Karen (Loren Pachuta) Shea, and Brian Shea; grandchildren Gabriel Clemons and Orly Clemons; father Jeremiah Shea; and siblings Gerianne Buckley, Elizabeth Bruce, and Patrick Shea.

He was preceded in death by his mother Nancy and by his brother Michael Shea.

Visitation will be 4 - 8 p.m. on Friday, April 6, 2018 at Ringa Funeral Home, 122 S. Milwaukee Ave. Lake Villa, IL 60046. A funeral service will begin at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 7, 2018 with prayers at the funeral home followed by a procession to Prince of Peace Church for a 12 noon Mass. Burial will follow at Ascension Cemetery in Libertyville, IL. In lieu of flowers, please consider a contribution in Joseph's memory to an education charity or

to a charity to feed the hungry.

# Cemetery Details

## Ascension Catholic Cemetery

IL Route 137 and Saint Mary's Road  
Libertyville, IL 60048

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 6. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ringa Funeral Home  
122 S. Milwaukee Ave.  
Lake Villa, IL 60046  
info@ringafuneralhome.com  
<http://www.ringafuneralhome.com>

## Prayers

APR 7. 11:30 AM (CT)

Ringa Funeral Home  
122 S. Milwaukee Ave.  
Lake Villa, IL 60046  
info@ringafuneralhome.com  
<http://www.ringafuneralhome.com>

## Mass

APR 7. 12:00 PM (CT)

Prince of Peace Catholic Church  
135 S. Milwaukee Ave  
Lake Villa, IL 60046  
(847) 356-7915

# Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph Shea*

October 04, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *Joseph Shea*

December 31, 2022 at 11:36 AM



“ *I flew with Mr. Shea a few times while with WestAir. He was great man and great in what he does. I am sorry to hear of his passing, but his memories of what he has gone will be always remembered.*

*Keep the memories going. Sending my condolence to the family.*

*Madeleine Lee*

Madeleine Lee - April 24, 2018 at 02:01 PM



“ *Mr. Shea was an active member in Troop 19. I remember him as a kind and caring man. He was always nice. I only knew Brian from scouts as he and my son Tom(Elmo) were in scouts together. My heartfelt sympathy to Brian and his whole family.*

Jen Yimet - April 13, 2018 at 06:03 PM



“ *Flew with Joe at a WestAir and we were hired months apart at United. A great pilot, and a true natural leader. Such a nice guy, my condolences to his family. Joe you will be missed.*

David Goudelock - April 09, 2018 at 10:22 PM

GW

“ I flew quite often with Joe out of Seattle. He was one of the most professional, compassionate, pilots I ever had the opportunity work with. He also had a very unique sense of humor that kept a smile on my face the entire trip. He will be missed by all of us who had the opportunity to know him. Rest well on your flight west, my friend.

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**Greg Whiting** - April 08, 2018 at 12:46 PM

HC

“ My heart felt condolences to Joe’s family. I have no doubt his passing will leave a void in your family. I had the honor of working with Joe on countless flights over the last 22 years. He was a kind, humble man and one of the most gentle souls I have ever encountered. My favorite word from Joe was “Fantastic!” He used it freely. I will miss flying with him. Joe, eternal peace be with you and may your final flight be truly “fantastic!”

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**Heather Cooper** - April 07, 2018 at 11:17 AM

KD

“ Sending my love and prayers to you all. May God's light and warmth surround you and guide you through this difficult time.

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**Kimberly D.** - April 07, 2018 at 01:45 AM

JF

“ Janet, Greg, Nancy, Carl, Paul, Aimee and families purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Joseph Shea.



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**Janet, Greg, Nancy, Carl, Paul, Aimee and families** - April 06, 2018 at 01:50 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Joseph Shea.*



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April 06, 2018 at 11:33 AM



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



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April 06, 2018 at 11:29 AM



“ *Linda and Family,  
There are no words. Joe will be missed. I trust that God will provide you much strength in the time ahead. Please let us know if you need anything. Love, The Wuthenows.*

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**Kimberly Wuthenow** - April 06, 2018 at 11:23 AM

GS

“ It was such an honor to get to know Joe over the past year. He was a gentile and kind hearted soul. At CRHP meetings he would always add a thoughtful and faith filled presence. The team feels his loss terribly and are dedicating the upcoming men's weekend in his honor. I personally will miss him and regret that I didn't get to know him sooner. Love and prayers to the family during this most difficult time.

*George Schmelter*

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**George Schmelter** - April 06, 2018 at 11:03 AM

MF

“ My condolences to Captain Joe Shea's family. As a fellow Chicago based pilot, I have known Joe since our early years with United Airlines. Joe was a consummate professional, and a friend you could always rely on. He will be truly missed.

*Margie Freeman*

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**Margie Freeman** - April 05, 2018 at 10:13 PM

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“ The brothers of CRHP team 23 purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Joseph Shea.



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**The brothers of CRHP team 23** - April 05, 2018 at 08:57 PM

LB

“ We didn't know Joe for very long, but quickly realized what a wonderful man he was. Always smiling and upbeat even when things were not going well. He was truly a special person and will be missed by many.

*Mike and Lorrie Burke*

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**Lorrie Burke** - April 05, 2018 at 04:39 PM

 Doug  
Waldron

“ Joe watched over the Cub Scout and Boy Scout programs at St. Mary Immaculate in Plainfield IL. He signed off on all the adult leadership. He also was "da guy" that cleaned and filtered the hot oil after every fish fry with the Knights of Columbus at SMI. He showed up in a suit and changed into coveralls and big rubber gloves looking like a hazards material man. When he moved away, his presence was immediately missed. Father David honored Joe and Linda at mass just before they moved. It seemed like everyone in the church knew them because of their involvement with many SMI ministries.

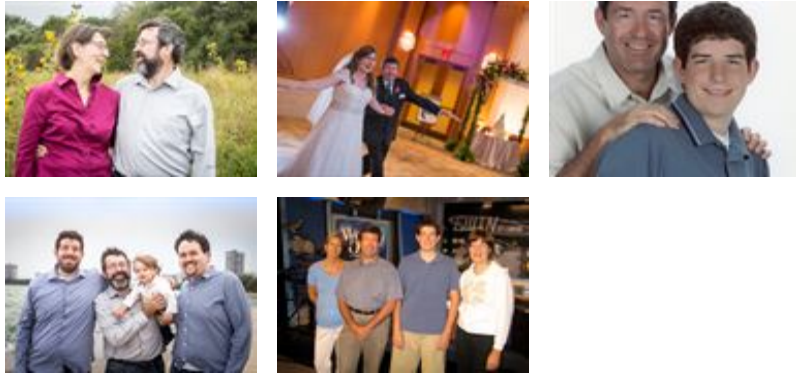
*-- Doug Waldron, KOFC 5573*

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**Doug Waldron** - April 05, 2018 at 02:45 PM



“ 46 files added to the album Life Tributes



Ringa Funeral Home and Cremation Service - April 05, 2018 at 12:40 PM

BB

“ Linda and Family,

*Our deepest condolences. You and your family will be in our prayers.*

*Bill and Susanne Boyle*



Bill Boyle - April 05, 2018 at 07:39 AM

MH

“ Joe was always such a great man. He was so great with all the boys in Boy Scouts. May he RIP. My condolences to the family.

Mary Hac - April 04, 2018 at 10:21 PM

JS

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Linda and the Shea family, as well as for the repose of Joe's soul. We are sad to hear of Joe's passing. May God comfort you with His peace.

*Jim and Nancy Sinclair  
St. Mary Immaculate Parish*



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**Jim and Nancy Sinclair** - April 04, 2018 at 09:23 PM

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“ Oesterreicher Family lit a candle in memory of Joseph Shea



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**Oesterreicher Family** - April 04, 2018 at 05:23 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Joseph Shea.



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April 04, 2018 at 03:29 PM



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



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April 04, 2018 at 03:26 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joseph Shea.*



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April 04, 2018 at 01:31 PM



“ *Linda, Scott and I are so sorry to learn of your loss. You will remain in our thoughts and in our prayers. Sue and Scott Hallett*

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**Sue Hallett** - April 04, 2018 at 12:08 PM



“ *Linda and Family,*

*My sincerest condolences. I worked with Joe at the Prince of Peace rummage sale and at Victory Lakes. He was a personable man and we had great conversations. We will miss him. Peace be with you.*

*Jeffrey Oehrlein  
Brother Knight*

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**Jeffrey Oehrlein** - April 04, 2018 at 10:33 AM

LE

“ To me Joe was always the one smiling. I enjoyed his spirit of love and attention to those around him. He and you, his family are in my prayers. Joe is smiling down on us now. Lee

Lee Erickson - April 03, 2018 at 11:03 PM

FM

“ I can truly say that Joe Shea is one of the finest people that I have ever known. As a loving husband, father and friend he is one of the folks who just shows up for others. A man of deep faith, Joe has set a great example of what it means consistently to make a gift of yourself...following the example of Jesus! Grant eternal rest, peace and life to your faithful son, O Lord. And bless and comfort his loving family.

Fr. David Medow - April 03, 2018 at 08:06 PM

JC

Dear Linda and family,  
So sorry to hear about Joe's passing. Thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.  
Jean and Patrick Cavanaugh

Jean Cavanaugh - April 04, 2018 at 10:22 PM



“ Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joseph Shea.



April 03, 2018 at 07:59 PM

DS

“ *My prayers are with your family. I am so sorry to hear about your loss. Blessings and love, Debbie Shimek*

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**Debbie Shimek** - April 03, 2018 at 07:20 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Joseph Shea.*



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April 03, 2018 at 07:08 PM