



Joseph E. "Joe" "The Hammer" Insonia

September 14, 1948 - June 20, 2024

Joseph E. "Joe" Insonia, 75, of Spring Street, Gloversville, passed away on Thursday, June 20, 2024, at Mountain Valley Hospice.

He was born in Gloversville on September 14, 1948, a son of Orlando and Margaret Elizabeth Ackernelch Insonia. Affectionately known as "The Hammer", Joe was a lifelong area resident and attended Gloversville schools. As a young man, Joe was employed by General Electric in Schenectady and later did drywall and carpentry. He also worked for Van Alosty Tree Nursery and retired in 1997 from CJ Tanner & Son after 11 years as a truck driver. Joe enjoyed outdoor activities including hunting, fishing, golfing, and riding his Harley Davidson motorcycle. For several years, Joe spent winters in Tavares, FL.

In addition to his parents, Joe was predeceased by a brother, Bruce Insonia. Survivors include his beloved wife, Kathryn M. Shepard Insonia whom he married on December 8, 1968; three children, Christopher Insonia of Gloversville, Joseph (Lisa) Insonia, Sr. of Mayfield, and Jennifer Insonia of Gloversville; his brother, Mark (Marianne) Insonia; six sisters, Carol Akey of Gloversville, Yolanda Case of Mayfield, Marlene Sawyer of Gloversville, Joanne DeVito of Saratoga Springs, Tina (Charles) Travis of Gloversville, and Orinda Drake of Schenectady; three grandchildren, Raquel (Matthew), Joseph, and Tyler; three great-grandchildren, Anthony, Harper, and Lincoln; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Arrangements are in the care of Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, Inc. 111

County Highway 106 (Corner of Route 29 & Black Street), Johnstown.
Cremation will be performed at Park View Crematorium, Schenectady. A
celebration of life will be held and announced at a later date.

Tribute Wall

RS

“ I share many memories with Joe. Most I can't reveal in a public setting. Suffice it to say, if I needed him and he was around...he was there. Bless you Joe

Rick Simon - September 26, 2024 at 03:47 PM

JH

“ So sorry to hear about Hammer. Barbara and i send our condolences. We had plenty of good times riding. Rip

James Handy - June 22, 2024 at 11:10 PM

CS

“ I surely hope Heaven has Harleys. I will hold all my memories of you yelling at me and Jenn because you had to get up early for work in a special place lol. I will also never forget the care and concern when I got my butt beat that you had. Ive always loved you "Dad" RIP

Christina Stewart - June 22, 2024 at 01:03 PM

JS

“ R.I.P. Hammer

Jim Winsman Sr - June 22, 2024 at 11:58 AM

CW

“ Joe so so sorry for your loss of your Dad! May he now dance among the Angels and walk within our Lord Father presence. God Bless you an your family. Sending hugs my friend 🤍🤍



Cj Warner - June 22, 2024 at 11:23 AM

JW

“ RIP Uncle Joe❤️

Jay Dee Weaver - June 22, 2024 at 06:54 AM

RZ

“ I love you Poppy! I thank the lord I was gifted you as my grandpa as you have made my life happy in so many ways. May you rest in peace and watch over me. Love Rocky



Raquel Zabawczuk - June 22, 2024 at 03:44 AM