



Louis J. Wiesner Jr.

September 12, 1935 - February 14, 2023

Louis J. Wiesner, Jr., 87, of East First Ave., Johnstown, passed away at home on Tuesday, February 14, 2023, with his loving family at his side.

He was born at home in Johnstown on September 12, 1935, a son of Louis and Julia Makovsky Wiesner, and was a lifelong city resident. In fact, Lou resided in the home where he was born for the vast majority of his life. Here, he helped his mother operate Wiesner's Confectionary Store until its closing in 1970.

Lou was a 1953 graduate of Johnstown High School and later attended HVCC for auto mechanics. In May 1954, he began working at Colonial Chevrolet, which would relocate to Gloversville as Glove City Chevrolet until 1966. Lou also worked at Shepard Pontiac and Roosevelt Chevrolet. An opportunity arose at General Telephone Co., and Lou was hired as a mechanic, where he worked for ten years. When the company was renamed Continental Telephone, he was promoted to Motor Vehicle Supervisor, a position he held from 1978 until December 1991. Not a man to be idle, Louie was also a part-time deputy sheriff in Fulton County from 1966 – 1999 and worked part-time security for Price Chopper from 1967-1983.

Mr. Wiesner was a member of the Johnstown School Board from 1990- 1999 and directed young people under the Community Service Program.

Lou was a Eucharistic Minister and pastoral council member and served on the cemetery committee while attending St. Anthony's Church.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by two sisters, Mary Montuoro,

and Charlotte Smith.

Survivors include his beloved wife, Joanne Hoffman Wiesner, whom he married on January 26, 1958; six children, who were his pride and joy, Louis III of Buffalo, Linda (Jim) Vineski of FL, Steven of Singapore, Susan (Karl) Hansen of Johnstown, Lawrence (Rebecca) of AZ, and Loretta (Kerry) of NC; thirteen grandchildren, Louis Wiesner IV, Julia (Dan) Lawless, Nicole (Mike) Schmidt, Kathleen Ritchie, Megan (Kevin) Berliner, Bryan Hansen, Gregory (Rachael) Hansen, Mallory (Seth) Miles, Duke and Colt Wiesner, Andrew (Rohit) Palmateer, Kyle (Hannah) Watkins, and Corey Watkins; five precious great-grandchildren, Carter, Caroline, and Connell Schmidt, Giuliana Ritchie, and Benson Berliner to be joined by a brother next month; and niece Jackie Smith along with several more nieces and nephews.

Calling hours will be held on Monday from 11 am – 1 pm at the Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, Inc. 111 County Highway 106 (Corner of Route 29 & Black Street), Johnstown, followed by a prayer service at 1 pm conducted by Deacon Dick Solar. Spring burial will be in St. Anthony's Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research online: <https://give.michaeljfox.org/give/421686/#!/donation/checkout>

Or by mail to:

The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research
P.O. Box 5014 Hagerstown, MD 21741

Cemetery Details

Saint Anthony's Cemetery

N. East Ave. and Briggs St.
Johnstown, NY 12095

Previous Events

Calling Hours

FEB 20. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Halgas Funeral Home
111 County Highway 106
Johnstown, NY 12095
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<https://www.halgasfuneralhome.com/>

Prayer Service

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Tribute Wall

JE

“ To Louie's Family sorry for your loss. Louie and I walked home daily for seven years from St. Patrick's school. My wife's family rented an apartment from the Wiesner's for several years. I still have many in the early 50's of the Baseball Cards I purchased from the store , Keep all your good memories. Jim Ebert

Jim Ebert - February 22, 2023 at 02:15 PM

LS

“ Thoughts and prayers to the entire Wiesner family. He was a great family man in so very many ways. Too many memories to put into words. All our love, Lynn and Bill Steenburgh

Lynn and Bill Steenburgh - February 19, 2023 at 05:43 PM



“ Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Louis J. Wiesner Jr..



February 19, 2023 at 04:28 PM



“ Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Louis J. Wiesner Jr..



February 18, 2023 at 03:37 PM

RH

“ Loretta and Family I am so very sorry for the loss of your Dad. I hold many fond memories from working FCSO and getting to "tell him where to go" as well as the many times he drove the ambulance for JAVAC with my crew. He was an amazing man and friend. May he Rest In Peace.

Robin Hitchcock

Robin Hitchcock - February 17, 2023 at 05:21 PM

SH

“ Along with my South End friends in Johnstown, we would ride our bikes over to Weisners for chocolate cokes and Ice Cream Sundaes, or a milk shake. When we got a little rowdy outside, Lou would come out and chase us away. We loved getting him to come out. Great times.

Scott Horton - February 17, 2023 at 08:38 AM

DG

“ Debbie Grant lit a candle in memory of Louis J. Wiesner Jr.



Debbie Grant - February 16, 2023 at 08:30 PM



“ Serene Green™ Bouquet For Sympathy was purchased for the family of Louis J. Wiesner Jr..



February 16, 2023 at 08:08 PM

NP

“ *North Carolina Board of Pharmacy purchased the White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Louis J. Wiesner Jr..*



North Carolina Board of Pharmacy - February 16, 2023 at 04:43 PM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Louis J. Wiesner Jr..*



February 16, 2023 at 02:32 PM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Louis J. Wiesner Jr..*



February 16, 2023 at 12:45 PM

LJ

“ Dear Joanne and Family, So very sorry to learn of Lou's passing. John and I will miss waving to him and driving up in the old car as he sat on his "window on the world" - the front porch! He knew everything about old cars! Fun to reminisce with him. There won't be anyone yelling at me to walk around the carriage path at Knox "one more time"!! My sincere condolences to your family.
Linda Jurica
John Gottbehut

Linda Gail Jurica - February 16, 2023 at 10:18 AM

WS

“ Very sorry to hear this ... Condolences to "Lt"'s family; I worked many patrols with "Lt" at FCSO and knew him from Tel Co as well ... always a good time. He had a smile every time I saw him and is missed.

Wayne D Schermerhorn

Wayne D Schermerhorn - February 16, 2023 at 09:16 AM

NC

“ I always enjoyed talking to him, he would come and visit at Knox while I wait for the students to get on my bus. He was a pleasure to know. Thank you for all you did for the community. RIP



Nancy Chrisman - February 16, 2023 at 09:00 AM

JC

a Great Man! He gave so much to the Community and family. Fondest memories were from a young childhood and going to Wiesners store for the chocolate cokes and visits with Lou and his Mom. God bless you Joanne and your wonderful children Love, Deb and Jack Callery

jack callery - February 16, 2023 at 10:11 AM

DV

Oh My I can not even express in enough words what a wonderful man he was Loved his smile a kind heart an a true friend Sending Love to Jo an to all of family

Donns VanAernam - February 17, 2023 at 06:29 PM

EJ

Lou was a kind and courteous Man, always had a smile and was a pleasure to work with at the Sheriff's Office. Ed Jasewicz

Ed and Terri Jasewicz - February 18, 2023 at 09:21 PM