



Joseph G. Rice

January 21, 1954 - November 1, 2016

Joseph Gordon Rice, 62, of Clarion passed away unexpectedly Tuesday, November 1, 2016 at Butler Memorial Hospital.

He was born on January 21, 1954 in Clarion; son of Gordon J. and Dorothy H. Reinsel Rice of Clarion.

Joe graduated from Clarion High School in 1972.

He was married on September 20, 1980 to Bonita O'Neill, who survives.

Joe worked all his life selling International Harvester tractor parts, beginning at Rice Equipment in Clarion. He was also the owner of Joe's Farmall Parts and co-owner of Rice Equipment, Inc.

He was a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Clarion, the Knights of Columbus, Clarion Fire and Hose Company #1 where he served as treasurer, and the International Harvester Collector's Club.

Joe loved to play cards, enjoyed watching Pittsburgh sports teams, and spending time with his family.

You could often find Joe at Wendy's in Clarion.

He is survived by his wife, parents, three sons, Gregory Rice and his wife Sharron of Alexandria, VA, Ian Rice of Pittsburgh, and Jacob Rice of State College, one daughter, Meghan Rice of Pittsburgh, and a grandson, Neill Patrick Rice of Virginia, of whom he was so very proud.

Joe is also survived by three sisters, Sherrie Smith and her husband Brad of Wisconsin, Mary Jean Bagileo and her husband Nick of Maryland, Kathleen McElravy and her husband Rob of Shipperville, his sister-in-law, Janet Rice of

Lakeville, and a number of nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by an infant sister, Karen, his brother Bill, and his in-laws, Henry and Grace O'Neill.

Family will receive friends from 7 p.m. to 9.p.m. on Thursday, November 3, 2016 and from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday, November 4, 2016 at the Robert V. Burns Funeral Home in Clarion.

A Christian Wake Service will be held at the Funeral Home on Friday at 8 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. on Saturday, November 5, 2016 at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church with Rev. Monty Sayers, pastor presiding.

Interment will follow in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church Cemetery. In Lieu of flowers, donations, or memorials can be made in Joe's name to the Clarion Fire and Hose Company #1, 525 Wood Street, Clarion or the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 720 Liberty Street, Clarion.

Tribute Wall



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Robert V Burns Funeral Home - August 01, 2017 at 12:42 PM



“ Joseph G. Rice

Leo , Kathryn and Larry Curran - November 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ I'm so sorry for your family's loss. Please find the comfort and help you need to get through this difficult time from our loving Creator who "is the Father of tender mercies and the God of all comfort". One day God promises to do away with death forever (Revelation 21:4).

Shannon - November 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ Please accept my sincere sympathy on your loss. There is no doubt that he will be deeply missed by family and friends.

Patricia Kolencik - November 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ To all the family our deepest sympathy Loved seeing and talking to Joe at Wendy's Punk and Joe Griebel

Joseph Griebel - November 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ *My sincere sympathy. I also lost my dear husband Oct 27 so I know the pain you are feeling. Although I have not seen Joe since our shared days in school, I can see that he will be sorely missed by the Clarion community, too. I will keep you in my prayers.*
Blessings,
Molly Hufnagel Westmoreland

Molly Westmoreland - November 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ *Thoughts and prayers for the Rice family. Hoping you find peace in the days ahead.*

Kelin Linnan Dauber - November 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ *A true and very close friend. I will miss him. A requiem mass will be offered at St Thomas More in Sanford FL. Also his name will remain on the altar all this month.*
God Bless
Bruce and Ruth Rhea

Bruce Rhea - November 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ *Mrs, Rice,*
Our hearts and prayers are with you in this time of loss. May God be with you. Our sympathy is at its deepest.
Love,
Suzanne Pfendler Bush
Ron I Bush

Suzanne Pfendler Bush - November 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ Dear Bonnie and Family,
Our deepest sympathy on the loss of Joe, a kind and loving man. I was talking to him about being a grandpa , a few weeks ago, and he was so happy to tell me about his grandson. Our prayers are with all of you.
Love, Peg and Larry

Margaret Gatesman - November 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Bonnie, Our deep sympathy to you and your family. We met you and Joe at the Reinsel Reunion Aug. 2011. Barbara and Michael Mogush, Edinboro, PA

Barbara J. Mogush - November 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Please accept my deepest condolences for your family's loss. For the past 15 years, I enjoyed talking to Joe about his kids and the sport teams of Pittsburgh and Clarion Area. I will think about you every time I sit down at Wendy's.

Lee Weber - November 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ My deepest sympathy Bpnnie and family. Thinking of you.

Nancy Carroll - November 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ Bonnie & family,
So sorry to hear of Joe's passing. My thoughts an d prayers will be with you.

Lisa Carroll - November 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM

EC

“ Dear Bonnie,
My deepest sympathies to you. My thoughts and prayers are with you. If there is anything that I can do to help you, please let me know.
Sincerely,
Elaine Carbone

Elaine Carbone - November 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ I will miss seeing you after Church on Sundays. Thanks for supporting our parish school by faithfully buying your Wendy's gift cards from the PTO Scrip fundraiser after Mass every week. My little Joseph was always on the look-out to see if you would be coming back to the Chirdren's Chapel to buy your Wendy's cards. He really enjoyed that you would let him count your money and figure out how many cards to give you.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in Peace. Amen

Jackie Knaust - November 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ Remembering Joe's family in this time of sorrow.

Cara Cherico - November 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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BN

“ *Rest in peace Joe. Condolences to the Rice family from Steve Niederriter and Bill.*

B N - November 02, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *I ate lunch with joe at wendys for a long time ,,great guy i knew him since a kid rest in peace my friend !!*

Jack mccullough - November 02, 2016 at 12:00 AM