



## Joe Balsano Sr.

November 12, 1930 - August 10, 2023

IN MEMORY OF:

JOE BALSANO, SR.

Serving Location:

CRAIN PLEASANT GROVE-MURDALE FUNERAL HOME

31 Memorial Drive (Old Route 13), Murphysboro, Illinois

Joe Balsano, Sr., age 92 of Murphysboro, passed away Thursday, August 10, 2023 in his home.

He was born November 12, 1930 in Murphysboro to Angelo and Myrtle (Spangler) Balsano.

On June 9, 1984 he married Alice Brown. They have shared 39 years of making wonderful memories.

Joe proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict.

He retired from the Brown Shoe Company after forty years of faithful service. He was a member of the Elm Street Baptist Church, Murphysboro American

Legion Post 127 and Fraternal Order of Eagles.

Joe is survived by his loving wife, Alice Balsano, of Murphysboro; children, Joe (Kim) Balsano, Jr of Murphysboro; Jeff (Leah) Balsano of TN; Steve (Susan) Balsano of Murphysboro and Christine (Rex) Burnett of Buckner; seven grandchildren; eleven great-grandchildren; siblings, Eloise Jeremiah; Madelyn Layne and Wayne Balsano, all of Murphysboro and Ben Balsano of Carbondale; nieces; nephews; other relatives and many friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents and siblings, Rosalee Hannah, Margaret Presley, Sylvester Balsano, James "Gene" Balsano, Mary Fritz and William "Bill" Balsano.

Funeral Services for Joe Balsano, Sr., will be Wednesday, August 16, 2023 at 1:00 PM in Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home with Rev. Charlie Allen officiating. Full Military Honors will immediately follow the service outside the funeral home under the covered porch.

Visitation will be from 11:00AM until the hour of service in the funeral home.

A private family only entombment will be in Pleasant Grove Memorial Park Mausoleum.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and will be accepted at the funeral home.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

**Pleasant Grove Memorial Park Mausoleum**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

**AUG 16.** 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home - Old 13  
31 Memorial Dr.  
Murphysboro, IL 62966  
(618) 687-2500  
crain@crainsonline.com

### Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Joe Balsano Sr.*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *Alice n family, you have my condolences in the passing of Joe. He was a very nice man. I just found out about it. I pray God will give you all strength in the days ahead. Sincerely, Berta Brown*

**Berta Brown** - September 07, 2023 at 10:04 PM



“ *Alice I'm so sorry for your loss and my heart goes out to I'll never forget joe and the rooster lol love you girl  
Sherrie*

**Sherrie Taylor** - August 16, 2023 at 12:15 PM



“ *The Balsano Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Joe Balsano Sr..*



**The Balsano Family** - August 15, 2023 at 11:42 AM



“ *Sorry for your loss*

**Robert McMillan** - August 14, 2023 at 08:56 AM

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“ Alice & Family—I just saw of Joe’s passing—I thought he would outlive us all! Always so full of life. I’ll always remember his sense of humor & that smile. Our Monday evening suppers at the Spruce Street condo will always be a great memory to me; he was a great cook too. Alice, if you ever need someone to talk to, cry with, or just hang out, you can always count on me. I know your family will be there for you; you’re lucky to have them all so close. You’re a strong lady, but lean on them. We all love you, as we loved Joe. God bless you all.

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**Carol Wehmeyer** - August 12, 2023 at 10:12 AM

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“ My condolences to your family.

*Gina Cushman*



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**Gina Cushman** - August 12, 2023 at 09:46 AM

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“ Uncle Joe always had a sweet smile on his face when I saw him. When my mother was ill, Uncle Joe and Aunt Alice made frequent visits to see her. He will be missed but I’m sure he’s resting comfortably with his siblings in heaven! Love you!!

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**Cindy Frenkel** - August 11, 2023 at 06:12 PM