



## Joseph "Joe" Calandro

November 21, 1927 - December 17, 2011

Joseph "Joe" Calandro, 84, of Murphysboro, Illinois, passed away at 4:17 p.m. on Saturday, December 17, 2011, at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri.

A funeral mass for Mr. Calandro will be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, December 21, 2011, at St. Andrew Church, in Murphysboro, with Father Gary Gummersheimer officiating and burial at St. Andrew Cemetery in Murphysboro, with military services conducted by the American Legion Post # 127, V.F.W. Post # 7190 and 2605, and the Jackson County D.A.V. Chapter # 69. Visitation will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday and until 9:45 a.m. Wednesday at Pettett Funeral Home in Murphysboro, with rosary at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday. Memorials may be made to St. Andrew School, St. Andrew Church, or to the Myelodysplastic Syndrome (MDS) Foundation: PO Box 353, 36 Front Street, Crosswicks, NJ 08515. For more information, please visit [www.pettettfuneralhome.com](http://www.pettettfuneralhome.com).

Joseph was born November 21, 1927, in Murphysboro, Illinois, to Andrew Calandro and Frances (Schiro) Calandro.

Mr. Calandro served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

He was a truck driver for J.W. Ward Transfer for 35 years.

Mr. Calandro was a member of St. Andrew Catholic Church, as well as the Knights of Columbus # 988 in Murphysboro. He was also a member of the American Legion Post # 127 in Murphysboro and the Teamsters Union.

He was an avid hunter and fisherman.

Joe married Lenora "Jane" (Bryan) Calandro on September 24, 1949, in Murphysboro, and she preceded him in death on March 16, 1993.

Survivors include two daughters Connie Will and her husband Richard L. Will, and Mary Beth Bower and her husband Terry Bower, all of Murphysboro;

five grandchildren Angie Bailey and her husband Raymond Bailey, Sarah Davenport, A.J. Bower, Dustin Bower, and Daniel Bower, all of Murphysboro;

three great grandchildren Bridget Bailey, Norah Bailey, and Natalie Davenport;

two sisters Nettie Boyer Graff and Pauline Tomlinson, both of Murphysboro;

and dear friend Eunice Aiken of Minnetonka, Minnesota.

He was preceded in death by two infant grandchildren, two brothers, five sisters, and his parents

# Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph "Joe" Calandro*

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October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *We will truly miss Joe. He brought a sense of calm wherever he went and always had a kind word. I'm thankful for the time together and glad that Shireen and I, especially the boys got to know him and that we became part of his extended family through Eunice. Go in Peace Joe, until we meet again.*

*Love Jim, Shireen, Cyrus and Cameron*

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**Jim Aiken** - December 20, 2011 at 04:29 PM



“ *Joe was a wonderful, loving man who enjoyed life, his family and his times with Eunice. We are so glad that he came into her life and she into his. They were so loving and caring for each other. We will miss Joe so much - he truly was family to us all. We feel very blessed to have had him in our lives even for just a short time. We are especially glad that Connie and Rickie were able to come up and visit with Joe for Eunice's 85th birthday in August - a very special time for all of us. Rest in peace, Joe...we love you.*

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**Regina, Gary and family** - December 19, 2011 at 09:47 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of Uncle Joe's death. He was always so sweet and in a good mood. Hope your wonderful memories of him will help you through this most trying time.*

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**Patti Daniels** - December 18, 2011 at 10:34 PM