



## Mr Joseph Caccamo

March 3, 1934 - October 12, 2022

JOE CACCAMO AGE 88

Past CEO of Centrella Foods

Joe began with Centrella in 1955 till his retirement in 2007

Beloved husband of Lorraine (nee Valentino)

Loving father of Joey (the late Judy), Laura (the late Phillip and the late Geno), Lenny (Kimmie), and Lisa Lombard

Cherished Papa of Amber, Joey, Anthony, Gianna, Bianca, Lenny, Christopher, Dominic, Alyssandra, Andrew, Lauren, and Dominique

Dear great grandfather of Connor, Sofia, Alyssa, Giuliana, Hailey, Dominic, Francesca, Leo, Joey, Lucia, Sienna, and Aiden

Fond brother of Carmella Piscitelli

Proud Uncle of many nieces and nephews

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Hagerstown, MD 21741

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **20**. 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Carbonara Funeral Home

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Melrose Park, IL 60160

(708) 343-6161

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr Joseph Caccamo*

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October 05, 2023 at 03:04 AM



“ *Dear Lorraine So sorry for your Loss. Joe was my friends for 50 yrs. He was a great boss. I loved traveling and playing golf with.him. He was a comedian. He brought central grocers to an all time high I will miss this wonderful man and great friend.*

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**Larry Filpi** - October 23, 2022 at 06:11 PM



“ *It was a privilege and honor to know this man. I do not look at Joe being taken from us...he was gifted to us. A Priceless gift to many. My deepest condolences to the Caccamo family. Pat Sureck*

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**Pat Sureck** - October 20, 2022 at 08:14 PM

MP

“ I don't even know where to begin to convey what a huge void the passing of Joe has left in so many people's lives. There are not enough words to describe what a caring, loving, compassionate, funny and giving, to a fault, man Joe was to so many. Anyone who knew him will attest to this fact. Whether he knew you for a short period of time, a long period of time, whether you were family or not, he always made sure you felt like you were part of his life. I know I felt like I was part of his life and part of his family, and what an honor that is for me To be around this man was nothing short of pure joy and happiness. He could tell stories like no other. He made you laugh even when he wasn't trying to. That's just the way he was. And to say he brightened up a room when he walked in with his never ending Smile would be an understatement.

*I may not be there to say my final goodbye to this icon, but you can be sure I am lifting him up to the Lord with my thoughts and prayers for him and his family, which I consider to be my family, on this very difficult day. May you find comfort in all the wonderful memories you made with him. No one can ever take that away from you. Cherish them forever.*

*I love you all with all my heart. Rest in peace, Joe. Forever in our hearts ❤️*

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**Marietta Del Preto** - October 20, 2022 at 12:19 PM

LA

“ Joe was a great father to a very good friend of mine Lennie. so sorry Lennie for your loss. he will be greatly missed! Larry Airdo

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**larry airdo** - October 20, 2022 at 10:34 AM

DV

“ Dear Aunt Lorraine and family  
It was 50 years ago that Anthony brought me to your house on Christmas to meet his family. Both you and Uncle Joe welcomed me and always made me feel so honored to be part of your family. Uncle Joe was a pleasure to be with and always had me laughing. I will certainly miss him. Anthony loved him very much and I believe that he was there to welcome Uncle Joe into heaven. My deepest condolences and love to all of you. DeeDee

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**Diane Valentino** - October 20, 2022 at 01:18 AM

RJ

“ Mr. Caccamo and my Dad spent many many many years at Centrella. We were honored to see him and the family when they came to pay their respects to my beloved Dad at his passing. Mom, Claudine and I were so happy to see them. It meant the world to us. On behalf of The De La Fuente family I send our deepest heart felt condolences, thoughts and prayers to the Caccamo family. God Bless!

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**Ruben C. De La Fuente Jr.** - October 19, 2022 at 11:49 PM

CC

“ So sorry to hear of Joe's passing. Please accept our deepest sympathy. Christine and Tony Clementi

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**Christine And Tony Clementi** - October 19, 2022 at 10:05 PM

EF

“ *May the Lord grant Joe Coccamo Eternal rest and let his glorious light shine upon him.*

*We Love you Joe, Centrella foods Warehouse employees that Joe gave us Respect and Dignity as workers. Your family and you helped our families as well, "pleasure to know and work for you Joe!"*

*Jose J. Favela and Eddie Favela*

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**Eduardo (Eddie, Jose son) Favela** - October 19, 2022 at 07:43 PM

“ My parents both came from large Italian families, with a combined 16 siblings. I therefore had many aunts and uncles. Of all of them, my Uncle Joe Caccamo was one of my very favorite. His passing leaves me heartbroken.

*During our nearly 25 years of marriage, my wife grew to love and enjoy Uncle Joe. At our wedding, she took an immediate liking to him, and to this day, she was his favorite. The fact of the matter is, I don't know how anyone could meet him and not fall in love with him or be drawn to him.*

*Uncle Joe was full of life, had a wonderful sense of humor, was kind and generous, and his presence commanded respect. His smile alone could light up a room. Uncle Joe had humble beginnings but rose to the highest level in his business.*

*And despite all his success, he remained down to earth, approachable, easy to talk to, and had the ability to simply make you feel good with his warmth and his giftedness of making a person feel welcomed.*

*One of my favorite poems is Kipling's "If." The final stanza begins, "If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue, or walk with Kings -- nor lose the common touch." That was my Uncle Joe. No matter who you were, he was comfortable in your presence and you found yourself at ease in his.*

*At family gatherings, I would sometimes just stand near him as he was engaged in conversation, and I would marvel at how much he knew about so much. He truly was a beautiful and exceptional man.*

*His passing leaves a void in our lives. Few men have crossed any of lives quite like Uncle Joe Caccamo.*

*To dear Aunt Lorraine, whom we love so much, and to the entire family, we hope the words of our Lord Jesus will comfort you. These*

*are words He spoke to Martha after the death of her brother Lazarus, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die."*

*May the God of all comfort now comfort your hearts and hold you close as you now lean on Him.*

*All our love and heartfelt sympathy,  
Michael and Theresa Valentino*

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**Michael Valentino** - October 18, 2022 at 01:43 PM

FR

“*Dear Lorraine, We are so sorry for Joe's passing. He was a good friend and I always loved to go to the warehouse to pick up groceries for our store. While I was there I would visit my brother and of course I would go down to frozen foods where Joe was working to see him. I remember going to a Centrella Banquet at the Morrison Hotel and Joe would get up on the stage and tell jokes and have everybody laughing. People would think Joe was drunk, but they did not know Joe was not a drinker, only pop. Lorraine , I am so sorry for your loss, he will sutrly be missed . Fran and Joanne Romanelli*

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**Francis and Romanelli** - October 18, 2022 at 12:29 PM

JM

“*Dear Lorraine and family, So sorry to hear about Joe's death he was such a wonderful person and was loved by all who knew him he will truly be missed.  
Love John and Carol Macioce*

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**John & Carol Macioce** - October 17, 2022 at 05:22 PM

RJ

“ Roy Mocerri Jr, Diane Mocerri and the entire Mocerri family would like to say are deeply sorry we were to hear of the passing of Joe. Joe and Lorraine were good friends of my parents growing up and was my boss at Central Grocer’s for many years . Lorraine and her family have our deepest sympathy and we carry you all in our thoughts and prayers. ❤️🙏

Roy Mocerri Jr - October 17, 2022 at 03:29 PM

LS

“ Condolences to Lorraine and family. Remembering all the fun times together at the Venice yacht club.  
Kenn and I loved Joe very much.  
I hope they are playing golf!  
Love,  
Louise

Louise Shelton - October 17, 2022 at 02:49 PM

ND

“ Dear Lorraine and Family,  
So very sorry to hear of Joe’s passing.  
My sincere condolences to all of you.  
Nancy Denges

Nancy Denges - October 17, 2022 at 12:16 PM

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“ & Anthony & Stella Iori purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr Joseph Caccamo.



& Anthony & Stella Iori - October 17, 2022 at 11:32 AM

LS

“ Love Ya All....Roger Smith purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Mr Joseph Caccamo.



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**Love Ya All....Roger Smith** - October 17, 2022 at 11:02 AM

MP

“ My mother, Carmella loved her "baby" brother, Joe. She'd tell me how proud she was strolling him around "the neighborhood" where they grew up. She was 10 years older than him and cherished taking care of him, as a proud older Sister. He will be greatly missed! What a wonderful man my Uncle Joe was. I can remember when I was 10 in the 60's visiting from CA. The basement cupboard was filled with the latest & greatest snacks from Centrella grocery store! My uncle had a great smile and was always generous in his love and fun nature. A lil' man with a HUGE heart ❤️

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**Maria Piscitelli-Moyer** - October 17, 2022 at 10:44 AM

KG

“ Dearest Lorraine, Joe will be missed by the Horsethieves golf group and his many friends and wonderful family. He was a great friend, funny, and a generous fellow, who drove a car and golf cart like Parnelli Jones!  
Sending love and prayers to Lorraine and the entire family.  
Kathy Gallagher

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**Kathy Gallagher** - October 17, 2022 at 10:39 AM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr Joseph Caccamo.*



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October 17, 2022 at 09:51 AM



“ *Dear Lorraine and family,  
The world is a little sadder now with Joe's passing. Joe was a magnificent person, and had a great big personality. What I admired most about Joe is how much he loved his family. Joe, you've earned your wings, fly high with the Angels!*

*Diane Raab*

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**Diane Raab** - October 16, 2022 at 01:35 PM



“ *How sad to see Joe's obituary. I use to work with him at Central Grocers back about mid '70's in the keypunch department. I have great memories working there. RIP Joe.*

*Carol Johnson Piovano*

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**Carol Piovano** - October 15, 2022 at 09:06 PM

MV

“ Dear Aunt Lorraine and Family:

*Uncle Joe was a beacon of light for our family for three generations. His presence not only lit up the room every time, but it brought comfort and joy. He was one of the kindest, most generous people we have ever been blessed to have known. We only know some of the acts of love and kindness that he gave to the extended Valentino family and could only imagine how far and wide his generosity was offered to others—family, friends, and strangers in need of a helping hand.*

*Uncle Joe epitomized what each Christian is asked to do—to be vibrant and vital of disciples of Christ. He served in that model of service all of his days.*

*His is the American success story—made through hard work, determination and sacrifice. Undoubtedly, he passed that work ethic on to Joey, Lenny, Laura and Lisa and his many grandchildren. He also was a role model for so many of his nephews and nieces. We all have benefited from having Uncle Joe in our lives.*

*Thank you for sharing Uncle Joe with us! We join you in prayerful sorrow at his loss, but embrace you as we celebrate his life and usher him to Heaven, so that he may have his rightful place at the banquet table of the Lord.*

*With much love for all of you,*

*Mark and Carmen Valentino and Gabriella, Rachel and Christopher, too*

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**Mark Valentino** - October 15, 2022 at 11:31 AM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Mr Joseph Caccamo.



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October 15, 2022 at 01:33 AM