



## Joseph J Hess

March 21, 1924 - September 2, 2024

Joseph J. "Joe" Hess, age 100 of Kankakee passed away on Monday, September 2, 2024, at Riverside Medical Center, Kankakee. He was born on March 21, 1924, in Kankakee, the son of William and Sarah (Jennette) Hess. Joseph married Betty Kunde on August 7, 1957.

Joseph was an engineer. Joseph was on the Board of Lay Ministry at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Kankakee for 40 years. He enjoyed golfing, bowling, and puzzles, both crossword and sudoku. Joseph was an amateur Civil War historian. Most of all, he loved spending time with his family.

Joseph was a veteran of the United States Army Air Corp serving from 1943 to 1945.

Joseph was a member of the St. Paul Lutheran Church, Kankakee.

Surviving is his wife, Betty of Kankakee; two sons, Mark (JoAnn) Hess and Kurt Hess, all of Bourbonnais; two daughters, Marcia Klapper of New York, Kristina (Tom) Glanville of Michigan; seven grandchildren, Daniel (Kira), Jill, Claire, Jessie (Jim), Joshua (Insiya), James (Jenna), Owen; six great grandchildren, Josephine, Jasper, Ezra, Aziz, Isla, Finn; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Joseph was preceded in death by his parents; four brothers, William, Raymond, Vernon, Melvin; five sisters, Vivian, Irene, Norma, Betty, Frances; and two infant children.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, September 7, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. until the time of the 11:00 a.m. funeral service at St. Paul Lutheran Church,

Kankakee. Reverend Karl Koeppen will officiate the service. Interment will follow at Mound Grove Garden Cemetery, Kankakee.

Memorials may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church.

Arrangements are being overseen by Schreffler Funeral Homes, Kankakee.

# Cemetery Details

## Mound Grove Gardens of Memory

1000 N Greenwood  
Kankakee, IL 60901

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
348 E. Merchant St.  
Kankakee, IL 60901

## Funeral Service

SEP 7. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
348 E. Merchant St.  
Kankakee, IL 60901

# Tribute Wall

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“ I worked with Joe for ~8 years at Steel Structures back in the ~'70's. Always chuckled when he was estimating structural steel projects, as he would lay out the big plans, put two pair of glasses on, and literally scribble and scratch all over the plans.....but when done, he had a good estimate price for the bid.

RIP Joe,  
Bob Anderson

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**Robert Anderson** - September 04, 2024 at 11:15 AM

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Uncle Joe was a remarkable individual who touched the lives of many with his kindness, and unforgettable memories. He will be deeply missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him. Lois & Jim Billadeau

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**JAMES BILLADEAU** - September 06, 2024 at 06:50 PM