



Joseph Mallen

February 21, 1948 - July 21, 2023

Joseph (Joe) Mallen, the strongest and the most determined man that you would ever meet. He survived five Cancer's but sadly lost his battle on his sixth on July 21, 2023.

He leaves a huge hole in the hearts of his family and friends, who were always entertained by his stories and hilarious sense of humor. His smile was infectious and he truly brought the life to the party.

Joe was born on February 21, 1948 to Joseph Mallen Sr. and Helen Mallen (Powell) in Jersey City, New Jersey. At Margaret Hague Maternity Hospital, which was the only hospital near their home in Hoboken, New Jersey.

It is in Hoboken where Joe was raised not only with his siblings; Helen Mallen (deceased) James Mallen (Cheryl) and Janet Ondyak (deceased) but his cousins as well; Robert Hayes and Raymond Mallen.

His upbringing was very family oriented and included wonderful vacations at the beach's in Wildwood Crest and Point Pleasant, New Jersey.

There are numerous stories that have been shared throughout the years of all the mischief that the Mallen boy had partaken in. Being that Joe was a grade or two behind his cousins and his brother, he was met on the first day of school by the nuns at Lady of Grace, warning him to watch out because they knew how to handle a Mallen. From that point on Joe had something to prove

to them.

Joe attended North Bergen High School, NJ, where he found the love of playing the drums and being a member of the drum corp. He marched with the Lady of Grace Drum Corps and then proceeded to march with the Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights in Newark, New Jersey.

In 1969, Joe joined the Army and was stationed in Fort Dix Army Base in Burlington, NJ, and ultimately sent to Germany where he was a member of the 106th Transportation Battalion during the Vietnam Era. He was a trained sharpshooter and prior to completing his two years of service he was awarded the National Defense Service Medal.

In 1971 is where Joe's life exploded with multiple adventures. He was a teamster in New York City working in the Garment District. He also delivered meats to different markets within the city. Joe moved to Colorado which he always referred to it as "God's Country" and loved to visit there often. He worked at the Denver Post and quickly became a fan of the Denver Bronco's as his favorite player was the star quarterback, John Elway (#7). Joe also lived in Minnesota for a short time, but he knew quickly that he needed to be near a beach and he was happy to leave the cold weather behind.

When Joe moved to Florida he was a bachelor living on the beach. He called it, "living the dream". When he wasn't working in the Pest Control business or working for UPAR as a counselor, you would find him by the water working on his tan, playing softball with his good friends, shooting pool and throwing darts. In 1998, Joe started his career at Bay Pines VA. He started as a housekeeper aide, then he assisted in the implementation of a new program called the Gray Team where he taught housekeepers nursing assistant duties. From there Joe remained as a nursing assistant until he transitioned to a transporter. After 13 years of dedication to our Nations Hero's, Joe retired.

He was beloved by everyone who ever met him; A fantastic husband, brother, uncle, cousin, and a best friend to all walks of life. No matter the circumstance, you'd always leave with a story of something funny or crazy Joe did or said while you were with him. This includes jumping out of a perfectly good airplane, TWICE.

Joe's other loves was anything sport related; Denver Broncos, Duke Blue Devils, Tampa Bay Lightning and of course his true love, the Tampa Bay Rays.

His travels took him on a worldwide tour including Germany, Alaska, Ireland, Prague, Passau, Vienna, Budapest and many trips to New Jersey, New York, Denver, South Carolina, and Virginia.

Joe is survived by the love of his life, Anne. They started as friends 25 years ago and in 2005 Joe couldn't refrain from expressing his love. They were married on 10/10/10 and new and wonderful adventures began. As strong as Joe was with all his medical setbacks, Anne was there at his side holding him up and making every moment special. Anyone and everyone could see that their love was deep for each other and that will never end.

He is also survived by his nephews Justin (Keiko), Ryan (Kate), and a great nephew Noah, who Joe enjoyed looking at daily pictures on the app Tiny Beans.

Joe will be remembered as a free spirit and he is now at peace. He is joining many friends and family members that have passed before him. We are sure they are having one hell of a party and watching over all of us from above.

Rest in peace Joe Mallen!

If you wish to make a donation in honor of Joe, please consider donating to the Moffitt Cancer Center Foundation at foundationinfo@Moffitt.org or 1-800-

456-3434 Ext. 1403

Previous Events

Gathering of Family and Friends

AUG 11. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory (Formerly R. Lee Williams & Son) - St. Petersburg Chapel
3530 49th Street N.
St. Petersburg, FL 33710
<http://DeGusipe.com>

Celebration of Life

AUG 11. 7:00 PM (ET)

DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory (Formerly R. Lee Williams & Son) - St. Petersburg Chapel
3530 49th Street N.
St. Petersburg, FL 33710
<http://DeGusipe.com>

Inurnment

AUG 14. 11:00 AM (ET)

Bay Pines National Cemetery
10,000 Bay Pines Blvd
St. Petersburg, FL 33708

Tribute Wall

AV

“ My condolences to whole family .I met Joe 17 plus years ago when I was working on 5C and Joe will help to transport our patients .Joe used to come to visit ,eat lunch or dinner on 5 C with Wayman and his crew .Joe was always very nice and friendly to all and made everyone feel good and welcome to Bay Pines family .I remember when Joe was getting ready to get married and we were al so happy for him .I remember when one of our coworker-colleague got sick and JOE was visiting him ,checking on him daily .Joe was very kind person to all .Ola Aleksandra Vangeli coworker .

Aleksandra Ola Vangeli - August 12, 2023 at 07:02 PM

SW

“ Sheryl Waggoner lit a candle in memory of Joseph Mallen



Sheryl Waggoner - August 12, 2023 at 04:24 AM



“ Divine Light was purchased for the family of Joseph Mallen.



August 11, 2023 at 03:45 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Joseph Mallen.

August 11, 2023 at 03:45 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joseph Mallen.



August 11, 2023 at 07:34 AM



“ Shirley M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph Mallen.

Shirley M. - August 11, 2023 at 12:23 AM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Joseph Mallen.



August 10, 2023 at 01:27 PM

BS

“ These are memories and notes from the Golden Knights Family -
Joe was a "Golden Knight" and a good friend - Audrey

For those who do not know, Joe was a bright friendly handsome Golden Knight. He and his brother Jim were real drum Corp people that treated me personally like somebody special! I was glad to see him in Wildwood and thankful for knowing him. Very sad Tim

Tim Messino

Rest in Peace Joe 💜. The Duhiggs

*Always remember Joe
Never hesitated to bring a smile
We were young Golden Knights
RIP*

Mike Diaz

*Sad day losing our great friend Joe.
So sorry Annie for your loss. We loved Joe like a brother. RIP Joe.
God Bless you.*

Prayers and thoughts with Joe, Annie, and the Malen family. 🙏🙏



Ken and Patty Stine

Rest in peace, Joe. Say 'hi to your buddy Bob Ruth. Bob and Joe were good friends and stayed in touch over the years.

Rosemarie Hamilton

Great memories.....happier times with Joe, Tommy, and Don.....Rip Joe and Don...

Bill Pusey

bsgkadm - August 09, 2023 at 08:47 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joseph Mallen.*



August 08, 2023 at 09:50 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Joseph Mallen.

August 08, 2023 at 09:50 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joseph Mallen.*



August 07, 2023 at 07:38 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Joseph Mallen.

August 07, 2023 at 07:38 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Joseph Mallen.* ”



August 06, 2023 at 09:50 PM



“ *We had great times and forever missed.* ”



Joe Ondyak - August 06, 2023 at 11:16 AM



“ *Lori Folger lit a candle in memory of Joseph Mallen* ”



Lori Folger - August 05, 2023 at 03:18 PM

GC

“ Joe and I were pretty competitive in darts and pool. Almost every Friday night during our UPARC days all the gang from the program dept would meet at the sunset lounge for electric darts and or pool. Joe and Doug seigle would pair off against me and Bob Pierce for intense cricket games. This continued for years and it never got old till we did. Joe usually would beat me in darts while I would usually beat him in pool. Met Joe at UParc in the mid 80's and went to his wedding to Annie. Joe is a Great human being . He even used to thrill my Dad with visits ...cards...and a bottle of scotch!!!
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Gary Cernan - August 05, 2023 at 02:54 PM

GC

“ Gary Cernan sent a virtual gift in memory of Joseph Mallen



Gary Cernan - August 05, 2023 at 02:43 PM

SB

“ Shirley Bernard lit a candle in memory of Joseph Mallen



Shirley Bernard - August 04, 2023 at 11:19 PM

NE

“ Nerissa Ella lit a candle in memory of Joseph Mallen



Nerissa and Ella - August 01, 2023 at 03:03 PM

DM

“ Dawn M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph Mallen.

Dawn M. - July 31, 2023 at 01:19 PM

GC

“ Way back in the UPARC days, Joe and I took my boat out to 3 Rooker bar just for cruising. But the water was flat and so pretty we decided to try water skiing...wow was it fun. We both got up easily because salt water is so buoant. Just one of many good times I had with Joe.



Gary Cernan - July 26, 2023 at 09:01 PM

SA

“ Sonya Arnold lit a candle in memory of Joseph Mallen



Sonya Arnold - July 26, 2023 at 02:08 PM

MP

“ *Mary Phillippi lit a candle in memory of Joseph Mallen*



Mary Phillippi - July 26, 2023 at 11:27 AM

MP

“ *Mary Phillippi lit a candle in memory of Joseph Mallen*



Mary Phillippi - July 26, 2023 at 11:26 AM

DD

“ *Doris Devoe lit a candle in memory of Joseph Mallen*



Doris Devoe - July 25, 2023 at 03:43 PM

DD

“ *Doris Devoe sent a virtual gift in memory of Joseph Mallen*



Doris Devoe - July 25, 2023 at 03:43 PM