



Louis Franklin Kacic

May 22, 1934 - April 22, 2020

On Wednesday, April 22, 2020, Louis F. Kacic, loving husband and caring father of four children, passed away at age 85.

Lou was born on May 22, 1934 in Old Brooklyn, Ohio to Lou and Emily (Pimsner) Kacic. Lou met the love of his life Jean Bertoia while attending Brooklyn High School whom he asked to his senior prom in 1952. It was a date that lasted 68 years. After graduating from Brooklyn High School in 1952, Lou began his 44-year career at Cleveland-based Midland Steel Products as a Project Engineer. A few years later, on October 22, 1955, Lou and Jean officially pronounced their love for each other and were married and soon after began their family of four sons Al, Glenn, Scott and Jim.

Lou was totally devoted and committed to his wife Jean. Lou and Jean were inseparable and together created a loving and giving environment for their family. Lou loved nothing more than to spend time with his family whether it was sitting down together to enjoy a plate of Jean's spaghetti and meat balls or playing card games or just relaxing and talking and maybe telling a joke or two. During his sons' formative years, Lou enjoyed camping practically every weekend during the summer months with Jean and the boys at Tamsin Park in Peninsula as well as traveling throughout the country in the family station wagon exploring all of its wonders. Lou participated in everything his sons were involved in from helping with the Boy Scouts and Indian Guides to

attending baseball and basketball games and orchestra and jazz concerts to name a few. As his sons grew up and had kids of their own, Lou had the same strong devotion and love for his grandchildren. Lou was not only a great husband but he was also a great father, a great grandfather and a great great grandfather.

Lou was also an experienced musician, playing the accordion and singing from a very young age. Lou put his showmanship talents to use with his band 'The Viscounts' who performed for special occasions on most weekends for over 25 years. There wasn't a song that Lou's band played that his family or his neighbors did not know due to the repetitive practicing Lou did at home each week with the windows open. Lou loved music! He also loved ice cream, grilling, ice cream, grilling, and yes, ice cream.

Lou constantly had fun wherever he and Jean went and had an extraordinary family and group of friends that helped amplify the entertainment every time they were together. Tears of laughter were common when Lou was around. He was witty, filled with infectious humor, considerate, selfless, and most of all, full of life. To say Lou and his bride Jean lived life to the fullest with their family and friends would be an understatement.

Lou was preceded in death by his father, Lou, his mother, Emily and his sister Carol. He is survived by his wife Jean, his four children, Al (Ellen), Glenn (Joe), Scott (Lori), and Jim (Josie) and his 7 grandchildren Meghan, Katie, Madison, Briana, Kailey, Grayson and Jack and his 3 great grandchildren Henry, Oliver and Walter. A memorial service to celebrate Lou's life will be scheduled as soon as circumstances improve for group gatherings and travel.

The family of Lou Kacic invites you to leave a message of condolence on the Tribute Wall created in his honor.

The family does not ask for any form of contribution and only asks that everyone enjoy and cherish their memories of Lou. Should friends desire, contributions may be made in Lou's name to Hospice Care AdventHealth Foundation Central Florida, 550 East Rollins Street, Sixth Floor, Orlando, FL 32803. Or you may give online here: <https://donation.adventhealth.com/central-florida/Foundation-Central-Florida/moduleId/405/fundId/25/controller/Donation/action/Donate>

Tribute Wall

BK

“ Our sincere condolences to the Kacic family. Lou was a great neighbor in Seven Hills. We remember Jean and the boys with fond memories. God bless you all. Bob & Nancy Kadar.

Bob Kadar - April 27, 2020 at 04:36 PM

SB

“ Kacic family sending prayers and love. Many fun memories of my childhood included all of you. Passing the firewood up the hill in your backyard with the long line of both our families. Spending many weekends at the campsite. Many hours spent at each others houses are just a few. He will truly be missed. God Bless

Susie Buehner - April 26, 2020 at 08:15 PM

DM

“ Our deepest condolences to the Kacic family! We have many fond memories growing up! It was an honor to know such a kind man who had a love for life and family! I know the stories will go on about his amazing talent with the accordion! Please find joy and comfort in your special memories of him! With love, Deborah Colonna McVicar and family.

deb McVicar - April 26, 2020 at 03:44 PM

JF

“ I knew Lou through visits he made to my across-the-hall neighbors, Glenn and Joe. Lou and Jean both radiated warmth and we felt like we'd known them both for years. I was honored to hear Lou play the accordion and delighted when Glenn joined for a family performance on one of their visits. You could tell what a great dad he was from all the things Glenn shared and from the cool nature Lou radiated. Jean, I send you my sincerest condolences. To lose someone dear is sad enough, but during this time of enforced separation it must be agonizing. Take care, Kacic family. You had a great dad and husband who will be missed by all.



Joanna Felder - April 26, 2020 at 03:38 PM

NC

“ Dear Jean, the Boys and family members,

My sincere condolences to a great loving cousin who always uplifted all around him with or without the accordion. We share many days together with our accordions and dinners. Lou loved my wife's cooking and we got together many times while they lived in Ohio. When we were in Florida we spent several days together and will always cherish the good times and music. He is in God's hands and Our prayer are there for you and family. he will be deeply missed and I am sure Lina was waiting in heaven to great him with a good italian meal. God bless you and care for all. Love, Cousin Norm and Lina too!!

Norm Colonna - April 26, 2020 at 10:38 AM

JM

“ Jean and family, Lou will be missed here in the neighborhood more than you could imagine, As I recall I was the first neighbor you met as you were looking for your new address and I helped you find it, from that day on Lou became more and more my friend each day, that was almost 7yrs ago.

I can't count just how many talks and laughs we had together, him being a Ohio fan and me being a Michigan fan we certainly had a lot of ribbing there all in good fun. He was a big kind man that sometimes when he talked I thought of him as a father, and other times as a friend as there was 20 yrs apart in age. Most of all he was an inspiration and a joy to share time with. He was my friend and he always showed it. I could go on and on about him but mostly I want to say the world lost a Good man this week who will be truly missed but never forgotten.

Jim Mata

James Mata - April 25, 2020 at 12:38 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Family Memories of Lou/Dad



Glenn Kacic - April 24, 2020 at 06:58 PM

DF

“ Dear Jean & boys,

Our sincere sympathy & condolences to you & yours. Even though our friendship goes back to our days in Ohio, and our lunches at Perkins after the noon masses at Annunciation here in Florida, it was too short of a time together in sharing memories of the good old days. Since Lou was unable to watch the Molly B. Polka show on Saturday, I watched and recalled how we would talk about the "good, bad, or ugly" polka bands that performed on those previous Saturdays. We hope that Louie will be playing some polkas for us when we dance our way into heaven. In the meantime, we thank the Lord for granting him everlasting Peace & Happiness With Love to all,



Dennis, Lynda, Lisa & Connor

DENNIS R FRANKO - April 24, 2020 at 01:11 PM

JC

“ *How can you not love an accordion musician! Taking Glenn as my window into the Kacic family, I can only rejoice in knowing Lou's is with our creator after a life well lived!*

Jack Chapman - April 24, 2020 at 12:31 PM



“ *Jean and family, we will miss Lou terribly. We loved his laugh and his jokes. His laugh was contagious. We will miss seeing him cook on the grill and then always cleaning it to perfection. Bailey is going to miss his massages and walks on Lou's walker. He was a wonderful friend and neighbor.*

Love, Karen and Jim Mata

Karen Mata - April 24, 2020 at 12:00 PM

LG

“ *My deepest condolences to the Kacic family. So many great memories riding in the back of that station wagon and going to Tamsin park. Mr. Kacic was there when I caught my first fish. Always had fun times with your family. Rest In Peace Mr. Kacic.*

Len Ganley

Len Ganley - April 24, 2020 at 10:37 AM

PM

“ *Dear Jim and the entire family,*

I am saddened to hear the news of his passing and my thoughts, prayers and sincerest sympathies are with you. My hope is that you will all find peace and your grief will turn to warm and wonderful memories.

Sincerely,

Patrick O. Mullin

Patrick Mullin - April 24, 2020 at 10:32 AM

JM

“ *Dear Glenn and Joe,*
So sad to hear about the passing of your father. His obituary testimony is a tribute to an amazing man and his wonderful family who now find themselves with sad and hollow hearts due to his passing. We feel for all of you and pray for your tenacity and eventual coming to terms with your grief. You are in our prayers.

Jane and John Meese



Jane Meese - April 23, 2020 at 09:18 PM

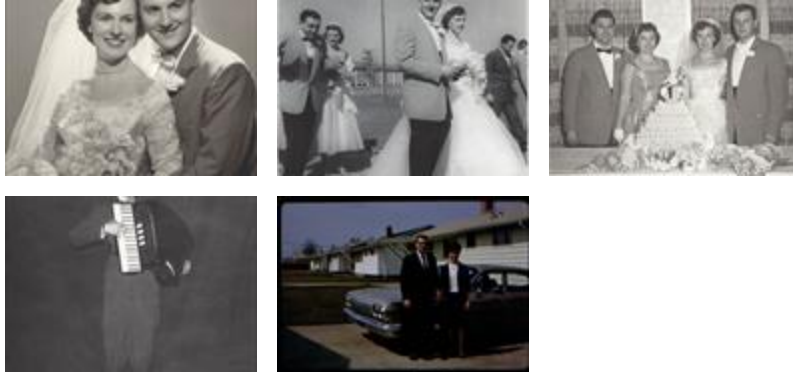
SP

Glenn and Joe, So sorry for your loss! Your father was an outstanding man, full of life, just like his son! My prayers for you!

Sally Petsinger - April 24, 2020 at 07:07 PM

JK

“ 47 files added to the album Family Memories of Lou/Dad



Jkacic Kacic - April 23, 2020 at 07:19 PM

EG

God be with your Family at this time of sorrow

edna I goble - April 24, 2020 at 10:41 AM

MO

*Dear Al and Ellen and Family
We extend our heartfelt sympathy to you and your families on the passing of your father. You are in our prayers*

Michael and Maggie Osysko - St Michael Parish Independence

Michael and Maggie Osysko - April 24, 2020 at 11:06 PM