



Elias R. "Hajie" El-Khoury

February 5, 1940 - May 5, 2006

Mr. Elias R. "Hajie" El-Khoury, age 66, of Utica, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, May 5, 2006 at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center with his family and friends by his side.

Born in Beirut, Lebanon on February 5, 1940, Elias was the son of Rafael and Annissey (Gadoun) El-Khoury. In 1966 he relocated to Sydney, Australia where he lived until 1972. He was joined in marriage to the former Jamile Boutros who lives in Australia. In 1973 he came to the U.S. and settled in Utica to join his brother Joseph Khoury and family who resided here.

Mr. El-Khoury's local employment included working position at Matters Fish Fry at the corner of Eagle and Miller Sts. Most recently, with the help and cooperation of his family he carried on the family business, Khoury's Quick Stop at the intersection of Eagle St. and Conkling Ave.

Gifted with great physical and emotional strength, Elias was a steadfast and loyal family man whose main concerns centered upon his family members and their well-being. His primary wish and his foremost goal in life was to bring about a lasting peace among those he loved. He lived according to a strong and honorable work ethic and was known as a man of his word, possessing a deep spiritual faith. Some of his favorite activities were traveling, especially to his homeland; dancing to Arabic music, and he will be remembered as a sharp dressed man with well accented jewelry. He had a knowledgeable interest in global politics and he enjoyed watching television newscasts. He was also a car enthusiast. All in all, as a man of noteworthy character and

personality, Elias was loved by all and will be remembered fondly by many. Mr. El-Khoury is survived by his soulmate, Cynthia Stone, with whom he shared an unconditional love. He is also survived by his children, Joseph Elias El-Khoury, Beshara Elias "Charlie" El-Khoury, both of Utica, Claude Elias and Helen El-Khoury of Sidney, Australia, Daniel Elias El-Khoury, Samantha Mae El-Khoury, and Jason Arthur El-Khoury, all of Utica. In addition, he leaves his beloved grandchildren: Dominique, Elias, Christopher, and David; Steven, Madeline, and Dylan; and Victoria. He was anticipating the arrival of another grandson this fall. Also included among Mr. El-Khoury's survivors are his sisters and brothers-in-law, Takla Hashash of CA, Marina Karam, Jeanette and Maroun Daw, all of Lebanon, and Laurice and George Bayroutte of Venezuela; his brothers and sisters-in-law, Joseph Khoury of Utica, Faraj and Julia Khoury of Lebanon, Maurice and Marie Khouri of Australia, John and Camelia Khoury of FL, and Michael and Magie Khoury of Australia. In addition, Elias is survived by many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and cousins; Cindy's mother, Beverly Jacobs; and his numerous friends, including Harry M. Houghton III, his "right-hand man" whom he loved as a son, Joyce Williams, John Barroncini, Lois J. Houghton, Beverly Evans, Butch LoGalbo, Warren Davis, and Jonathan Davis. He was predeceased by a brother, Gabriel; and a sister, Theresa.

The family extends its heartfelt gratitude to the nursing staff of the Special Care Unit of the St. Elizabeth Medical Center for the support and comfort they provided for Elias and his loved ones.

Visitation will be held on Thursday (today) from 4-6 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. The Prayer of Incense will be offered at the funeral home on Thursday evening at 6:00. Please omit floral offerings. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the Divine Liturgy of the Faithful Departed which will be celebrated for Mr. El-Khoury on Friday morning at 11:00 at St. Louis Gonzaga Church with Father Bassam Saade officiating.

Previous Events

Service

MAY 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Louis Gonzaga Church
520 Rutger Street
Utica, NY

Tribute Wall



“ To my father i loved you so much with all of my heart i miss you dearly you will never be forgotton one day we will be reunited###imported-begin##Jason El khoury###imported-end##

November 18, 2008 at 02:15 PM



“ I will miss you. dearly You were an extrodinary person.###imported-begin##John Khoury###imported-end##

May 17, 2006 at 03:03 PM



“ Hajie your in my heart today i shed tears of sorrow for you knowing you are to leave us, and to be with the lord are father. May you rest in peace my friend your memories will always be there for me.im sorry i couldnt be therebut i have said a prayer for you.we will all miss you.linda###imported-begin##Aunt Linda###imported-end##

May 12, 2006 at 10:57 AM



“ when I was a year old, my uncle saved my life and my sister's. We were sleeping in a summer home in the mountains of Lebanon and an electric fire started, before he pulled us out, my diaper was starting to melt and my sister's hair was starting to catch fire. we are both alive today because of him and the grace of God. At age 17 when I came to this great country the first relative I saw was my uncle Elie standing on the front steps of the store, he greeted me with open arms. That's the uncle that I love, that's the uncle that I miss. We will see him again one day.###imported-begin##Raymond Khoury###imported-end##

May 10, 2006 at 04:03 PM

JB

When we all go to hell!

Joseph Biden - September 09, 2024 at 08:22 PM



“*Hajie, You will never know what you brought to my heart. You gave me a feeling of belonging into your family, which I never felt in my whole life with my own family. I want to deeply thank you from the bottom of my heart. That yearning disappeared since the day I met you. You opened your heart and gave me such warmth and compassion, a listening ear, and most importantly your love. I will never forget all of it and I will cherish and hold it deep within my heart. I will keep the promises I made to you to the best of my ability. You would be very proud right now to see the unity of your families together. Your wish is being fulfilled. Love,
Joyce###imported-begin##Joyce M. Williams###imported-end##*

May 10, 2006 at 02:58 PM



“ i have nothing special to say, a part to stop a moment and share my feelings with the family: When i heard about this sad news, i had in mind immediatly the good shape at that time (seventies). I remember the "Takla Day" when elie escalate to the top of the church to change the ring loading, Elie is from the age of my brother antoine, isn't it?. In fact when we left lebanon in the seventies we were all young. And now we are getting old. last year my brother habib pass out and now elie join them to the other side: Roufael, anisse, Gabi, Laurette. georges gabi, and don't forgot your neibors in zabbougha Ammoura, antoine, habib ...

Good Bless All the famlily,
Alla Yerhamou

Jean Najib Haibé
France,##imported-begin##Jean Haibé##imported-end##

May 10, 2006 at 11:36 AM



“ *Just Wait*”

*"If ever you are feeling like you're tired
And all your uphill struggles leave you headed downhill
And your appetite for pain has drinken its fill*

*I ask of you a very simple question
Did you think for one minute that you are alone
And is your suffering a privilege you share only
Or did you think that everybody else felt completely at home*

*Just wait
Just wait
Just wait
We will come*

*If you think I've given up on you you're crazy
And if you think I don't love you well then you're just wrong
In time you just might take to feeling better
Time is the beauty of the road being long*

*I know that now you feel no consolation
But maybe if I told you and informed you out loud
I say this without fear of hesitation
I can honestly tell you that you make me proud*

*Just wait
Just wait
Just wait
And We will come"###imported-begin###Derek M.###imported-end###*

May 09, 2006 at 09:33 PM



“ My only request to all of the numerous friends and family of Elias is that we all take a large part in keeping the memory of Elias alive for years and years to come through our thoughts, prayers and the memories will all share of, and with Elias. Even though I did not have the opportunity to know him for a very long time and get very close to him, he always had been and always will be a man who I held the utmost respect for. He was a man, much like myself, that lived by his morals and his own personal code. I am certain, that, if we had been given the chance we would of built up a strong bond as Father in Law and Son. I will miss him very much and will always keep him in my mind.

Derek###imported-begin##Derek M.###imported-end##

May 09, 2006 at 09:11 PM



“ this is for you uncle hajie, i loved you and will miss your smile and laughfter. you fill my heart with joy when i was young, you taught me to look for my goals in life and i would make a life . thank you for every thing love jamie###imported-begin##Jamie and Tayna###imported-end##

May 09, 2006 at 09:02 PM



“ To my very special person , you always made me smile when i was down you were my happiness. We love you Uncle hajie my tears for you are of sorrow and joy. Lay at peace with the angles of god and never more shed a tear you are in gods hands now. so rest in peace my Hajie . Love Todd and Tiffany###imported-begin## Tiffany and Todd###imported-end##

May 09, 2006 at 08:50 PM



“ he was a good man i will always have a special place in my heart for him. my love for hajie will never pass away. i will keep him in my heart and soul. love linda###imported-begin##Linda Lashen###imported-end##

May 09, 2006 at 08:45 PM



“ Dad,
it was hard to say goodbye to you but im happy that you left knowing we both still loved eachother. Im glad for all the memories we shared the good and the bad.I have them to remember you by. It hurts me so that you wont be on this earth to see your grandbaby but i know you will in spirit i love you with all my heart your loving daughter samantha###imported-begin##samantha mae el-khoury###imported-end##

May 09, 2006 at 09:26 AM



“ Hajie, you were always a good and kind hearted person. You always greeted someone with a smile and if someone needed something you gave it to them at no cost. I will never forget you and all that you have done for me. I miss you..###imported-begin##Christina Catrombone###imported-end##

May 08, 2006 at 02:13 PM



“ Dad, you will be greatly missed and you will always be in my thoughts for ever i love you .###imported-begin##Joseph Elias El-Khoury###imported-end##

May 08, 2006 at 10:01 AM



“ Uncle Hajje,
You were so full of life, Always smiling and carefree, Life loved you being a part of it, And we loved you being a part of our lives
God saw you getting tired, When illness struck you. So He decided he needed you, and from this world he took you.
You didn't deserve what you went through, So He gave you rest.
We didn't see this coming, It hit us by surprise. And when you left this world, we knew you will always echo Within our words and thoughts.
Uncle, we will miss you for the rest of our lives.
your loving niece, Caroline.##imported-begin##Caroline Khoury Melhem##imported-end##

May 08, 2006 at 09:58 AM



“ to my love and soul mate. you will truly be missed. I loved you deeply and always will you are now in gods hands although i am hurting so much I know you are in heaven now and would want me to stay strong thank you for all you have given me I promise you I will stay strong because you wanted me too. I miss you so i wont forget the love we shared the good along with the bad i love you honey please watch over me my love you will live in my heart forever also thanks for the greatest family in the world i love you##imported-begin##cynthia##imported-end##

May 08, 2006 at 01:43 AM



Mom you and Dad are now reunited. I love you both just so much. I miss you both just ever so dearly and I'd choose you both in every lifetime! This reality hurts just so much without you both here but with my family and friends on my side in this grieving process I promise to make you both so proud. I love you both.

Love Jason Arthur El-khoury 🙏🦋

Jason - February 26 at 09:35 PM



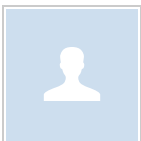
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May 08, 2006 at 01:38 AM



“ Please allow your soul to rest in peace, for those who will always carry a special place in their heart. you were a great man that will never be forgotten, so from this day on let us all remember the guy who's heart was as pure as gold. i will always remember you.....
R.I.P.,
Nick C.###imported-begin###Nick Catrombone###imported-end##

May 08, 2006 at 01:12 AM



“ Hajie, Your heart is filled with such warmth and beautiful expressions.....
Your love, everyone will hold so deeply and dearly.....
You touched so many hearts with great tenderness.....
The depth of your soul is truly amazing.

Love,
Joyce & Josh###imported-begin###Joyce M. Williams###imported-end##

May 07, 2006 at 08:03 PM