

Mr. Joseph O. Scialdo

February 25, 1927 - August 5, 2018

UTICA - Mr. Joseph O. Scialdo, age 91, formerly of Oriskany, passed away on Sunday, August 5, 2018, at the Masonic Care Community of NY. At the time of his passing he was in the hearts of those who loved him most.

Born in Cobleskill, NY on February 25, 1927, Joseph was the son of the late John A. and Elizabeth (Falazarano) Scialdo. Raised and educated in Utica, he was a graduate of T.R. Proctor High School. A US Army veteran, he served in the Korean Conflict. He furthered his studies at Utica College of Syracuse University where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Education. He enjoyed a loving relationship of over 43 years with Flora Rizzo Fiore. The couple enjoyed a wonderful life filled with love, laughter, and the blessing of family.

During his working life, Joe held a commitment to his family business, the West End Seafood Co., Inc. located at 2201 Erie St. He loved the relationships and the comradery of his patrons and the business community, and was respected as a successful business person. Joe was president of the company until his retirement in 1990. In more recent years, Joe renewed his love for children and education through his position as substitute teacher for the Oriskany Central School District. He enjoyed the opportunity to be with the youth of the area. He was civic-minded and socially involved in his community. He was a life long member of the Knights of Columbus 4th Degree and the Order of Alhambra. He also pursued skeet shooting which was one of his most enjoyable sporting activities. Joe's intentions were always honorable. He was a responsible man who had his priorities in perspective, and he was lovingly endowed with a joy that came from his wife and his family.

Joe is survived by his beloved wife, Flora; his children who he adored, Terri and Jim Sojda, and Michael and Susan Fiore. He was "Papa" to his grandchildren, Jim and Ani Sojda, Melissa and Robert McKeon; Jonathan, and Matthew Fiore; his great-grandchildren, Savarrah, and Parker Sojda; twins: Emily, and Patrick McKeon. In addition, he is survived by his sisters, Shirley A. Scialdo, and Jessica E. Scialdo; his nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and his brother-in-law, Patsy Brillante. He was predeceased by his brother, John A. Scialdo, Jr., infant Ronald Scialdo; and in-laws, Mary and John "Jack" Matteo, Helen and Salvatore Bianco, and Katherine Brillante.

The Scialdo family with great sincerity wishes to thank the Manhattan household of the Masonic Care Community of NY for the outstanding, respectful, and compassionate care they shared with Joseph. May they be blessed for their works.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend a Memorial Mass of Christian Burial which will be celebrated on Saturday morning at 10:30 at Sacred Heart and St. Mary's Church in NY Mills, officiated by Rev. Arthur Krawczenko with Military Honors conferred. The family will receive visitors at the conclusion of Mass. For those wishing to do so, please consider memorial donations in lieu of floral offerings to the Sacred Heart and St. Mary's Church Building Fund; envelopes will be available at the service.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

AUG 11. 10:30 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart/St. Mary's Church
201 Main Street
New York Mills, NY

Tribute Wall

RM

“ *Flora, Nancy and I will always cherish the fond memories that we all shared. We will always remember the trips to Canada to shoot skeet. I often think of Joe when I'm at the skeet range. I am proud to have known Joe and consider him my best friend. Joe will be greatly missed by all.*

Nancy and Ray Majka

Ray Majka - August 20, 2018 at 05:26 PM

AT

“ *Joe was a lifelong friend since the days as neighbors in East Utica. Loved the guy.*

Anthony Tartaglia

Anthony Tartaglia - August 12, 2018 at 02:31 PM

LH

“ *Mrs. Scialdo, Mrs. Sodja, and family, Mr. Scialdo was a staple in Oriskany. He always greeted me with a smile. Always a kind man. He will be missed. I am sorry for your loss.*

- Elizabeth (Liz) Horan, OCS 2008

Liz Horan - August 10, 2018 at 06:16 AM

BC

“ *I go back so many years with Joe, st Proctor in its heyday; working at Chanatry's, Bleecker Street. He was one of the few Nellie would let drive her car. Joe was the consummate gentleman, liked everybody; had no enemies. What a legacy. Rest In Peace.*

Bill Chanatry

Bill Chanatry - August 09, 2018 at 06:42 PM

BC

*To Flora, Shirley and all of Clan Scialdo, our condolences.
Bill and Janet Chanatry*

Bill and Janet Chanatry - August 09, 2018 at 07:56 PM

TF

“ So sorry to hear about Joe. Our thoughts & prayers are with your family.

The Hildebrand Family - August 09, 2018 at 05:39 PM

AM

“ Joe was a wonderful man, gentle, always smiling. I am so very sorry for your loss. While I cannot be there to offer my condolences and comfort to you in person, know that I am with you in spirit. If possible, try to think of all of the wonderful years you shared together.

Love,
Angela Manning

Angela Manning - August 09, 2018 at 08:34 AM

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“ Flora, Teri and Family,


What an honor and gift it was to call Joe my neighbor all throughout my childhood. So many times growing up everyone would rave about having him as their substitute teacher and I can still remember smiling with pride like “yeah.. he lives two doors down” thinking of how lucky I was to have such a special man nearby. After my grandfather passed when I was 5, Joe really stepped in to give my brother and I so much wisdom we were missing from our lives. We are forever grateful to the many stories he shared and for every smile and hug he shared with us. Joes smile could light up any room. His precious gifts of advice on life will always be cherished. Praying for your family during this difficult time. Joe, Rest In Peace. You will forever be in our hearts.

Kaitlyn Reece (LaPlante) - August 09, 2018 at 06:12 AM

KG

“ Flora and family, I'm truly very sorry to hear of Joe's passing. I have many fond memories of visiting with you guys when I would come back to town. Cherish your own memories and the memories that others will share with you; may they ease your terrible grief.

Kristin (Clauson) Gifford - August 09, 2018 at 05:01 AM

 Sarah Singletary

“ Mr. Scialdo was the best substitute teacher, he would share stories about his life. He will be greatly missed.

Sarah Singletary - August 08, 2018 at 11:20 PM

MT

“ *Flora and family; please accept our condolences. Joe will always be a loving part of our memories from our time in Oriskany. His loving and caring ways became a path for so many young people to follow. He will be missed by many. Love, Bruce and Cathy Thomas*

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Thomas - August 08, 2018 at 10:22 PM

 Stacy
Lindfield

“ *I will miss him. He was my favorite substitute and tuter. He tutered me when I was pregnant with my son. He was one of the kindest men I have ever meant.*

Stacy Lindfield - August 08, 2018 at 10:06 PM

GC

“ *My deepest sympathy to you all, so sorry to hear of Mr. Scialdo's passing. He was a very kind and special man.*

Gayle Clynne

Gayle Clynne - August 08, 2018 at 10:05 PM

MD

“ *Flora and Terri Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your families. Joe was one of a kind. He will be missed. Never forget all the memories they never die they live forever in your hearts Love Tom and Marcia Delaney*

MARCIA DELANEY - August 08, 2018 at 09:44 PM

CG

“ *Flora and Terri,
I am sending my biggest hug and prayers of strength and comfort to you and the rest of your family.
Joe was always kind, compassionate, and a gentleman to everyone he encountered. He always brought a smile to my lips and made me feel welcomed and loved.
His love for both of you was so evident. Thank you for sharing him with the rest of us.
I am out of town and will be unable to attend his services. Know you are in my thoughts and prayers.
My Deepest Sympathy,
Celeste Gadbow*

celeste gadbow - August 08, 2018 at 09:42 PM

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“ Mr. Scialdo (and Mrs. Scialdo) was one of my absolutely favorite substitute teachers during my time at OCS. I am so grateful to have had him as part of the community I called home, and I know generations of "kids" feel the same. Thank you for sharing him with us. Love, "Tilly"

Amanda (Husted) Munk, OCS class of 2003 - August 08, 2018 at 09:42 PM

NH

“ May heart is heavy with the news of Joe's passing. He was a bright star in any room he walked into. I was truly blessed to get to know him and how much he loves his family. May you all find comfort in the many memories that you will hold deep in your heart. Noreen Hartung ❤️

Noreen Hartung - August 08, 2018 at 09:41 PM



“ Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mr. Joseph O. Scialdo.



August 08, 2018 at 09:06 PM

MT

“ Flora, I'm so saddened to hear of Joe's passing. He was such a kind and loving man. The students and the staff enjoyed each time he was working at Oriskany High School. He will be truly missed.
Michele Tosti

Michele Tosti - August 08, 2018 at 08:56 PM

MS

“ To Flo Shirley and Jessica. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Love you all. Michael Scialdo.

michael scialdo - August 08, 2018 at 11:53 AM

SG

Shirley, Jesse and Family,
Seeing all of the wonderful words of Love for Joe reminded me of my High School days as one of your "boy's from Notre Dame H.S." working Thurs. & Fri. fishfries. He was fun to work alongside with at the counter. A real, dynamic "people person".
Fondly, Steve Graham

steve graham - August 09, 2018 at 01:39 PM

MS

Dear Flo, I was so sorry to hear of cousin Joe's passing, He was truly a person with a gentle and loving spirit and I know he will be missed by everyone who knew him. May the love of family and friends be with you as you grieve his passing. Love, Marsha Scialdo.

Marsha Scialdo - August 09, 2018 at 07:52 PM