



Joseph R. "Joey" Ventura

December 6, 1992 - July 18, 2021

NEW HARTFORD - Mr. Joseph R. "Joey" Ventura, age 28, departed this life on Sunday, July 18, 2021. Although unexpected, he was having the time of his life at his best friend's wedding.

Born in New Hartford on December 6, 1992, Joseph was the son of Riccardo "Rick" and Wendy (Hammond) Ventura. He attended E.R. Hughes Elementary School and graduated from New Hartford High School/Class of 2011. He went on to attend MVCC where he received an Associate degree in Welding and was recognized as an advanced student in his field of study. His expertise in his profession eventually led to his appointment as an Adjunct professor in 2015. Joey fell in love with a wonderful young lady who was an amazing partner. When he met Lindsay Grenier, it was a perfect match from the beginning ~ they had similar interests and complemented one another, and she embraced him and will always be part of his family. She will forever hold his memory in her heart.

Auto Zone was Joey's first job, and he enjoyed this full-time position where management recognized and appreciated his work ethic. He subsequently became the 3rd generation of Venturas to work at Special Metals where he began in the Lab, diligently working the midnight shift with a steadfastness that was acknowledged by all, efforts that yielded him a promotion to Mass Spectro Technician. He was an incredible worker among his peers and the company saw his potential and his promotion to this position was a perfect fit. He "owned" the responsibilities that were pre-requisites for success in his

higher level job. He was now a company man and performed with great potential in mind for his future with Special Metals.

As their son, his parents saw in Joey a great child with an attentive personality. Soccer was his favorite sport in his youth, and he was coached by his dad who cheered him on. He was an amazing kid, very social and very creative. He had joy in his soul, laughter in his heart, and a smile on his face. His magnetic personality made many memorable moments for all to treasure. So many good values of his parents were instilled in him, and they were so proud of him. He was a loyal friend to many, but he also knew that his parents and his sister were his best friends. Though he traveled some difficult paths and by-ways, he faced his challenges and worked through the trying times. Everything was family for Joey. He loved life, and friendships were so important to him. He never complained, and every day was precious to him. He made the best of each phase of his life. He was a protective big brother and he loved his little sister so much. They spent time together and had great love and respect for one another from childhood to adulthood. He left this world at the peak of his happiness, with people he loved around him. It is so difficult to accept, but his family will hold him close to their hearts until someday they see him again.

Joey had an affinity for the Adirondacks; he was amazed by the peaceful beauty of the mountains, trails, and bodies of water. Fishing was a favorite pastime, and he was currently planning with Lindsay to pursue their recent dream of purchasing a camp on Kayuta Lake. Joey was friends with the Giotto family who owned Brightside Camp in Racquette Lake, and when he visited Brightside, he always liked to stay in the haunted room!

Playing soccer was still his passion and he enjoyed playing forward, competing with his dad and sister, as well as pick-up games with friends at work. He also loved to cook and enjoyed preparing different recipes for Lindsay. He was great at prepping the food, and Lindsay was the clean up crew by his side. Joey believed in a higher power which kept him balanced, and he expressed his beliefs in the beautiful tattoos inscribed upon him, ... the

images that he held near and dear to his heart.

Joey is survived by his father, Riccardo "Rick" and his wife Audrey Ventura; his mother, Wendy Hammond and Junior Laracuate; his sister, Jamie Ventura-Carter and her husband Shane and their children who Joey adored and loved so dearly, Kyah, and Everly; paternal grandfather, Ercole "Eric" Ventura; and the 'Love of his Life', Lindsay Grenier. He will also be remembered by his aunts and uncles, great-aunts and great-uncles, and cousins. Joey was blessed with multiple groups of friends who were the best influence and a constant presence in his life. He had old friends forever, and new kindred pals he treasured. He was greeted by his predeceased paternal grandmother, Patricia Anne (Spatuzzi) Ventura; and maternal grandparents, Joseph T. and Gloria M. Hammond.

The family extends their heartfelt appreciation to Joe Paciello, a friend who was a MedVac, and COCVAC for their immediate response; and the MVHS at St. Elizabeth Medical Center Emergency Room doctors and their entire staff for their valiant efforts.

Visitation will be held Friday afternoon from 3-6 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. A Prayer Service will commence on Friday evening at 6:00 at the funeral home upon conclusion of visitation. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Joey's name may be directed to Connor's Way Walk and Run in honor of CONNOR ARTHUR LYNSKEY online at <https://www.connorsway.com/donate/> or by mail to Connor Arthur Lynskey Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Donald Lynskey, 5 Ironwood Road, New Hartford, NY 13413. Envelopes will also be available at the funeral home.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **23**. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.
932 South Street
corner of Hammond Ave.
Utica, NY 13501
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<https://www.eannacefuneralhome.com>

Prayer Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joseph R. "Joey" Ventura.



July 23, 2021 at 10:39 AM



“ Wendy Jamie and Rick
We cannot believe Joey has left this earth so soon. We r extremely saddened. Our memories are mostly from footie where he always had a smile on his face and that “mischievous “ look in his eye.he always had some story to tell Ben and Matt then the three of them would be laughing . Heaven only knows what it was but it made those teenage boys laugh. He was a great kid and a great adult . You have every right to be proud of Joey.
May the pain in your hearts be comforted by all his memories.
Love Dave, Jill, Ben Jess Toach 💙

jill toach - July 23, 2021 at 10:34 AM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Joseph R. "Joey" Ventura.



July 23, 2021 at 07:50 AM

MR

“ Dear Wendy and family,
We were so sorry to hear of the loss of your beloved son Joey.
Though nothing can heal your pain, we hope your memories can
help you and your family during this time.
Mary Lou Jordan Rose, Aunt Rae and family

Mary Lou Rose - July 22, 2021 at 03:05 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of
Joseph R. "Joey" Ventura.



July 22, 2021 at 10:59 AM

JJ

“ We were very saddened to hear about the passing of Joseph R.
(Joey) Ventura. Our deepest condolences go out to Audrey and
Rick at this difficult time. We will hold you with love and compassion
in our hearts, with healing prayers and thoughts.

Joe and Kathy Johnson .

Joseph F. Johnson - July 21, 2021 at 07:50 PM

TF

“ The Sonson Family purchased the Country Basket
et Blooms for the family of Joseph R. "Joey"
Ventura.



The Sonson Family - July 21, 2021 at 04:24 PM

CG

“ Wendy and family, so sorry for your loss. Sending prayers & love to you. Chris Graziano

Chris Graziano - July 21, 2021 at 02:34 PM

RJ

“ As one of Joey's coworkers I can attest to his amazing work ethic. He would work, not just to get the work done, but to set a benchmark with his work. I also enjoyed hearing him express his enthusiasm for playing and following soccer. I send my condolences to Rick and Audrey and family.

Raymond Fields

Raymond Fields Jr - July 21, 2021 at 01:12 PM

SF

“ Shiloh Gaglia & Family purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Joseph R. "Joey" Ventura.



Shiloh Gaglia & Family - July 21, 2021 at 01:06 PM

CW

“ Wendy and Family, we are so sorry for your loss of Joey. May all your memories of Joey get you through this terrible time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Candy and Dan Wisnoski

Candy Wisnoski - July 21, 2021 at 12:29 PM

DG

So so sorry for your loss, Wendy and family. My thoughts, prayers and deepest sympathy are with you through this trying time. Keep God in your thoughts. Joey is at peace in his arms 🙏💕🙏

debra grabauskas - July 21, 2021 at 11:50 PM

PI

*Ricky and family, my deepest condolences!
Peter Inserra*

Peter Inserra - July 22, 2021 at 01:11 AM

NS

*“ I send my Condolences to Audrey and Rick and the entire Ventura family.
Nancy Stark*

Nancy Stark - July 21, 2021 at 11:35 AM

EW

“ Everyone at Universal Wellness purchased the Sweet Remembrance Spray for the family of Joseph R. "Joey" Ventura.



Everyone at Universal Wellness - July 21, 2021 at 11:03 AM

TF

“ Tim Mahoney & Family. purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Joseph R. "Joey" Ventura.



Tim Mahoney & Family. - July 21, 2021 at 08:33 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Joseph R. "Joey" Ventura.



July 20, 2021 at 07:00 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Joseph R. "Joey" Ventura.



July 20, 2021 at 05:11 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Joseph R. "Joey" Ventura.



July 20, 2021 at 04:45 PM