



Ernest Joseph Sobieski

March 18, 1929 - April 6, 2017

Ernest J. "Ernie" Sobieski, 88, a loving family man and proud veteran of the United States Marine Corps died peacefully surrounded by his loving family, on Thursday, April 6, 2017, at Brandywine Senior Living in Colts Neck, New Jersey.

Born March 18, 1929 in Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania, Ernest was the son of the late Peter and Catherine Sobieski.

After leaving Wilkes Barre, Ernest and his wife Genevieve moved to Old Bridge, NJ, where they would raise their family. When it was time to retire Ernest and Genevieve moved to Benton, PA. They would eventually return home to New Jersey. After 62 years of marriage, Genevieve passed away in 2014.

Ernest was very proud to have honorably served his country as Staff Sergeant in the USMC during the Korean War. Ernest worked at Hercules in Parlin, NJ for 18 years, and then Cities Service in Linden, NJ for 20 years, prior to his retirement in 1990.

Ernest served as OCAW Union President, and was a member of the Knights of Columbus in Benton. Throughout his lifetime, Ernest enjoyed spending time hunting, fishing, bowling, gardening, woodworking, playing poker with friends,

playing with his beloved dog "Jersey", but most of all spending time with his wife, children, and grandchildren. Ernie was a lovable man, devoted to his wife and family. He will be sadly missed by all those who loved him.

Ernest is survived by his loving children, Cindy Sobieski, Angie Banning and her husband Richard, Patti Bacon and her husband John, Ernest Jr., daughter in law Kelly Vasquez, Joseph and his wife Christine, Amy Marcus and her husband Allan, Jennifer Agostin, who was like a daughter to him, and by his cherished grandchildren, Christopher Knowles, Alison Bacon, Jay Bacon, Eric Bacon, Ernest Sobieski III, Jake Sobieski, Jenna Sobieski, Zack Sobieski, Evan Sobieski, Joseph Sobieski Jr., Andrew Sobieski, Kyle Sobieski, Sara Marcus, Emily Marcus, and Catey Marcus.

The family would like to thank the administrators and caregivers of Brandywine, Colts Neck, for the compassion, love, and extraordinary care they provided Ernie over the past six years. Additionally, the family would like to thank VITAS Hospice Services.

The family will receive friends from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Monday, April 10, 2017, at Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service, 3377 US Highway 9, Old Bridge, New Jersey.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at St. Thomas the Apostle Church located at One St. Thomas Plaza Old Bridge, New Jersey 08857. Interment will be in Benton Cemetery, Benton, PA.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made to the Alzheimers Association in memory of Ernest J. Sobieski.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **10**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service
3377 US Highway 9
Old Bridge, NJ 08857
(732) 679-4422
hegartyfh@scaliahome.com
<https://www.hegartyscaliafuneralhome.com>

Funeral Mass

APR **11**. 9:00 AM (ET)

St. Thomas the Apostle
One St. Thomas Plaza
Old Bridge, NJ 08857

Tribute Wall

JA

“ Happy Birthday! We miss you diwn here in Florida. Please give Yevve" a hug from us!

Jenny Agostin - March 19 at 07:24 AM



“ Ernest Joseph Sobieski

October 05, 2023 at 11:16 AM

KE

“ Missing you Dad. You were the best father, role model, mentor and friend. You live on in my heart forever. Now you are back with Mom, and together you are in heaven. Love you ❤️

Keeter - April 28, 2017 at 05:31 PM

AM

“ Amy lit a candle in memory of Ernest Joseph Sobieski



Amy - April 13, 2017 at 08:10 AM


FI

“ *The best tribute to my Uncle Ernie is his wonderful children, my cousins! It was so wonderful to see all of you. You are all so friendly and welcoming. Your Mom and Dad were always so warm , friendly and loving. I know you will miss your father but I am sure you are happy that your parents are together again. Love to all of you,*
Fran

Frances Indoe - April 12, 2017 at 07:35 PM

MA

“ *Your smiling face and happy disposition will be forever in my heart, such a kind and gentle man. I remember hearing you sing Ava Maria for the first time and how it touched my soul. I would jump up from my office every time I would hear you begin to sing it and I will keep that with me always! Rest in peace now Ernie, with your beloved wife and know that you both will be dearly missed.*




With heartfelt sympathy for the Sobieski family,
M.J. Allison
Brandywine Reflections at Colts Neck

M.J. Allison - April 12, 2017 at 04:35 PM

MG

“ *Meg Geffken lit a candle in memory of Ernest Joseph Sobieski*



Meg Geffken - April 12, 2017 at 06:16 AM

MG

On behalf of the Eucharistic Ministers of Christ the King Parish in Benton, Pennsylvania, I extend our deepest sympathy. We had the privilege of visiting Mr. and Mrs. Sobieski when they lived in Benton and bring them Holy Communion. We enjoyed their company and were impressed by their devotion to our church.

Meg Geffken - April 12, 2017 at 06:19 AM

JB

“*Few Son-In-Laws are afforded the privilege of referring to their wife’s father as “Dad”. I came into your family not know what to expect, uncertain of what lay ahead, you made me feel welcome and part of the family from the first day we met, always there to provide sage advice and loving support to my part of your family, in the absence of my father. You became a friend, confidant, and mentor and I will miss the bond we had, your jovial sense of humor, your cheery “Jak się masz”, and your inherent thirst for a “shot and a beer”. You have gone to where all Marines go, guarding heavens scenes, and while the emptiness of your absence hurts, there is comfort in knowing you and Mom are together again happily dancing for eternity. Bye Love you Bye.. John*

John Bacon - April 10, 2017 at 08:30 AM

LT

“*Tom and I are deeply sorry for your loss. Coming from so similar a background, I was always able to relate and laugh at different situations with Angie that some might not understand or find the humor in. I remember Ernie always had a story to tell and it was comfortable and familiar to me. In the more than forty years of knowing your family, I think your dad's true love for your mother is what stands out most when I think of Ernie Sobieski. May they both rest together in peace. Love, Lynne*

Lynne Tihanich - April 09, 2017 at 05:35 PM

EJ

“ Thank you for being a great father, a friend, a wonderful grandfather to our children. Thank you for always being there when we needed you. I know you're in heaven now with Mom. When you look down ,know there's no need to worry we'll be all right here,, thanks for all the wonderful memories,Love Ya...
Ernie Jr

Ernie Jr - April 09, 2017 at 05:30 PM

JS

“ Raising a family of six had to be really challenging but somehow you and Mom found the way to do it. You provided for us in ways that I will never forget. You taught me what dedication, devotion and family means through your knowledge, experience and wisdom so I would be able to raise and provide for my family, which I am grateful. I will never forget the good times we shared- hunting, camping, bowling, family vacations to Niagara Falls and Palisades Park, crabbing, fishing and so much more. As you look down from Heaven with Mom know that we will be fine. Thank you again for everything. Rest in Peace as you enjoy eternity with Mom until we all meet again.- Love Joe

Joe Sobieski Sr - April 09, 2017 at 04:15 PM

DU

“ Uncle Ernie,Duck here,Thanks for bein you, and bein my friend.I'll see you in the deer woods.I love you and I'll miss you. Love Duck

Duck - April 09, 2017 at 12:51 PM



“ *America the Beautiful was purchased for the family of Ernest Joseph Sobieski.*



April 09, 2017 at 09:16 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Ernest Joseph Sobieski.*



April 09, 2017 at 09:02 AM



“ *Through all of the really difficult times there was also a silver lining; a gift from God to make the suffering more bearable. Dad would say "what a nice surprise" every time we saw him. His disease stole much of his more recent memories, but boy, was he able to tell us some stories of his past that we may not have ever known otherwise! These are the things I will hold on to forever...the genuine love he and Mom had for their kids, and the awe they felt as each grandchild arrived. Dad was able to always capture the humor in any situation. He was the best listener I ever knew. I know he will continue to watch over the family he was so very proud of. Love you always, Dad. Rest now...it's your turn.*

Pat Sobieski Bacon - April 09, 2017 at 08:43 AM

DM

“ *Purple Rain*

*A tear fell from heaven, as the birds sang in the trees.
It took a memory, a life time ago.
He was not family, but we called him Uncle.*

*Now I remember, the purple house.
My boundary, my safe distance
On my purple car, to the purple house.
Where I was greeted by my Aunt and Uncle.*

*I knew this was the frontier
As far as I could go without mom yelling.*

*The kids who were so much older.
All were big brothers and sisters
Even when they moved*

*There was always that kinship
And now we say see again Uncle
It is not good bye*

*He will be greeted, by our beloved.
As the light of the Angels lead him.*

*Watch for the sun chords
They will tell us he is safe
And he will be smiling once again*

*With Aunt Genie, with his beloved,
We thank you for sharing him
With your neighbors, who are always your second family*

*Rest in Peace
Pray for us
and thank you*

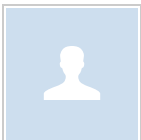
David L McMillan - April 08, 2017 at 09:42 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Ernest Joseph Sobieski.*



April 08, 2017 at 06:19 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Ernest Joseph Sobieski.*



April 08, 2017 at 03:09 PM



“ *I love you, Dad. You were always such a wonderful, loving father. You brought a smile to everyone's face with your pleasant nature and crazy sense of humor. I will miss you more than words can say, but knowing you're back with mommy brings me so much joy. You two have a love that will never end. Spin mommy around the dance floor as you "polka" the night away. I'll love you forever. Amy, aka Missymakydos*

Amy - April 08, 2017 at 10:42 AM