



Joseph Juliano Jr.

July 21, 2023

A loving grandfather, a cherished dad and best friend of his wife, Nan, entered the arms of the angels on July 21, 2023.

Joseph Juliano, Jr born in New Haven was the son of Joseph and Assunta Juliano, brother of Annette Cardarelli, uncle of Dawn (Charles) Licata, Michael Cardarelli, Christopher Licata, Tyler Licata and Mikey Cardarelli and cousin of Ralph Ferriolo. Joe is also survived by members of the Ducrocq family and the McMurray clan.

In addition to Nan, his wife of 55 years, Joe is survived by his loving family, J. Bryan (Sandi), Christopher (Beth) and Amy (Chris) Parlato. Joe's grandchildren, Matthew, Aidan, Zachary, Emily, Kaitlyn Juliano & Olivia and Oliver Parlato were a source of great happiness for their grandpa.

Joe was a graduate of Notre Dame High School, West Haven, Niagara University and received degrees from Fairfield University and Southern CT University. He began his career with the Hamden Public Schools at Sleeping Giant Junior High School teaching English and a theatre course. It was at Sleeping Giant that he discovered his true passion – directing plays and forming life long bonds with many of his students. He expanded his teaching and directing to Hamden High School and became Director of Fine Arts for the Hamden Public Schools.

Joe served as President of The American Alliance for Theatre and Education. He was also dedicated to the success of the New England Theatre Conference and served as a board member, president and was the business manager for many years.

Joe spent many treasured moments traveling, but his special love were the trips to VT where he cherished the feeling of inner peace. Joe was up for any adventure, whether it be a trip to Broadway, Tuscany, a cruise or a family vacation to Disney.

Joe found special joy in his grandchildren, whether cheering at a softball or soccer game, being an enthusiastic audience member at a play, supporting them through a difficult time or sharing a joke or everyday conversation.

Joe touched many lives with his quiet gentleness, acceptance, beautiful smile, non-judgmental ways, giving heart, humility and, most importantly, his genuine ability to share his love.

Joe's family wishes to express their thanks to the compassionate healing team on NP 7, 11 and 12 at the Smilow Cancer Hospital. A special thank you to Lisa Barbarotta for her extraordinary care and empathy. The peaceful environment at CT Hospice in Branford provided Joe and his family with amazing support and comfort.

In lieu of flowers please consider making a donation to CT Hospice of Branford, 100 Double Beach Rd., Branford, CT 06405

Friends are invited to go directly to Our Lady of MT. Carmel Church, Whitney Ave., Hamden on Wed. morning at 11:00 for a Mass of Christian Burial. Interment will be private. Calling hours at Sisk Brothers Funeral Home, 3105

Whitney Ave., Hamden will be Tuesday from 5:00-7:00 pm. www.siskbrothers.com

Previous Events

Calling hours

JUL **25.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Sisk Brothers Funeral Home
3105 Whitney Ave.
Hamden, CT 06518
(203) 288-7114
siskfuneral@sbcglobal.net

Funeral service

JUL **26.** 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Mt Carmel
2819 Whitney Ave
Hamden, CT 06518-2544
(203) 248-0141

Tribute Wall

JR

“ *Mr Juliano directed me at Hamden HS theater '78-'81. A mentor & true guide. Theater teachers are there for you all the years, not just one class. I'm sure he touched many as he did me....jesse riley*

jesse riley - April 18, 2024 at 03:30 PM

JM

“ *I just heard about the passing of Joe. I first met him as a 7th grader at Sleeping Giant Junior High when I auditioned for my first play, "I Remember Mama" - must have been in 1978 or so. Many of my fondest memories from my youth were of him, Julian Schlusberg, and all of the wonderful friends in the Theater Department at Sleeping Giant and Hamden High that were brought together in the incredible environment that he helped to create. The world has lost a truly wonderful soul...but we are all better for having known him.*

Jim McCusker - September 03, 2023 at 06:29 PM

SG

“ *Dean Nan and Family, It was just today (July 28th) that I read in The Patch that you had lost you beloved husband and the children's adored father. I did not realize that he was ill. As you know, Joe and I worked together on the Board of NETC for many, many years, served on numerous art's committees and co-chaired several of NETC's New Haven Conferences. He was an admired friend, one I often looked to for advice on all things having to do with art and life in art. Joe adored his family as they were the center of his universe and it has been a privilege to have all of you as my neighbors, friends, and even babysitter for my children (now 36 and 41). Please accept my sincere condolences. It's a time of necessary grieving and all of you are in my thoughts and prayers. Sheila Hickey Garvey*

Sheila Hickey Garvey - July 28, 2023 at 02:25 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Joseph Juliano Jr..



July 26, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Joseph Juliano Jr..

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AP

“ From Al and Arlene Prezioso

We think of Joseph Juliano Jr., as a living institution in the town of Hamden. For us will always be “The Pied Piper of Hamden.”

The generations of children he fascinated and inspired are the legacy he left to us all. We are all the poorer in his absence. Yet we are so much the richer with the indelible memories he gave us.

For Arlene and I, the friendship He and Nancy extended to us so many years ago is a cherished gift never undervalued and always thought of with love and the recognition that these two are among the rarest of our treasures.

For “Nan,” you and Joe’s wonderful family are ever a part of our family’s delighted memories and the telling of tales of “H.T.E.”

(Among our favorites is the night Joe was giving serious notes to the cast when “G.R. entered the backstage door wearing a huge sombrero and sauntered downstage behind Joe much to the delight of the cast!)

And so ... from Arlene and I, much love to you all - and Joe ...thanks for the wonder years!

Al and Arlene Prezioso - July 25, 2023 at 05:36 PM

MT

“ *I am so sorry for your loss Nancy and Family. Joe was such a wonderful and caring gentleman. He will be greatly missed.*

MaryAnn Triano - July 25, 2023 at 01:58 PM

BS

“ Oh my goodness. My deepest condolences to all his family and loved ones. This brings me such chills and a flood of memories from my eyes. ‘Mr. J’ instilled in me such a passion for the work in technical theater, starting as an 8th grader at SGJHS at a time when I was beginning to find myself. His leadership and guidance in that department formed a very tight container for young minds like my own to begin to develop and create. One of his greatest gifts seemed his ability to bring out the best in people. I still remember my first StageCraft class and all the cool tools that were in a wooden armoire type chest backstage-left of the auditorium. The nights and weekends I spent there with other kids building sets, erecting scaffolds to hang battens and lights, running cables— everything necessary to get done before the curtain rose and the lights shine on. *The King and I*, *Lilies of the Field*, *Oliver!*, *The Spiral Staircase*, *The Diary of Anne Frank*— so many shows, all staged spectacularly at the Junior high level, under his keen direction. So many fond memories working with kids, some of whom I still stay in touch with, even though I moved away middle my first year at HHS.

The curtain will never fall upon your legacy, Mr. Juliano. Thank you for contribution instilling in so many others including me a love for creative expression in all sorts of media. You will indeed shine on.

Brian Sheehan - July 24, 2023 at 02:27 PM

MG

Mr. Juliano was instrumental in making me the teacher I am today. His high standards helped shape me as a new teacher and I will always remember him for it ❤️

Melissa Gonzales - July 26, 2023 at 03:45 PM

KH

“ My sympathies to the Juliano family. Mr Juliano was an amazing mentor. The plays that I was a part of from 1972- 1977 in Hamden were astounding productions! The sets, his direction- he was so talented. He brought out the best in so many. He was so kind hearted and so encouraging. Such fond memories will always remain.

Kim DePrimo Holstrom - July 23, 2023 at 04:42 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Joseph Juliano Jr..



July 23, 2023 at 01:47 PM

FF

“ Frances and Mike McMurray and family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Joseph Juliano Jr..



Frances and Mike McMurray and family - July 23, 2023 at 08:04 AM

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“ Frances and Mike McMurray and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph Juliano Jr..

Frances and Mike McMurray and family - July 23, 2023 at 08:04 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Joseph Juliano Jr..*



July 22, 2023 at 07:58 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Joseph Juliano Jr..

July 22, 2023 at 07:58 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Joseph Juliano Jr..*



July 22, 2023 at 04:39 PM



“ *Kim V. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph Juliano Jr..*

Kim V. - July 22, 2023 at 04:07 PM