



Joseph Biafore

December 4, 1931 - August 4, 2024

Joseph Edward Biafore, age 92, passed away peacefully in his sleep at his home in Naples on August 4, 2024 with wife Rita at his side.

Joe was born in North Bay, Ontario on December 4, 1931, the son of Angelo Biafore and Carman (Caprice) Biafore. As a youngster, Joe honed his considerable athletic skills playing any sport the season would dictate but excelled as a hockey goalie, and later in life as an overly patient father shagging flyballs endlessly to two children who never could quite grasp the force and depth with which the ball was struck.

On May 30, 1959, Joe married the former Rita Ciupa, with whom he spent the next 65 years—a landmark they celebrated with family and friends in May of 2024. Joe earned his undergraduate degree from the University of Toronto and a Juris Doctor from The University of Akron School of Law while working at Rubbermaid, Inc. – one of several consumer products companies with which Joe worked. Joe and Rita moved to Naples in 1991 and enjoyed their retirement to the fullest-- golfing, biking, traveling and reading were favored activities.

An avid sports fan, Joe would not stray too far from the TV if a game of any consequence was on. For Joe, family meant everything. He was a great husband and the best father and grandfather one could hope for, always

generous with his time and company. We miss him each day, especially when the big game is on.

Survivors include his two children, Jo-Anne and Tom, daughter-in-law Patti, and granddaughter Corinne, with whom he loved spending time most of all.

The family thanks the staff and nurses for all the compassion and care given to Joe in his final months as well as his neighbors and friends at the Point in Pelican Bay for their kindness and love. Joe enjoyed life to the fullest and loved his time in Naples with his wife Rita.

The family would appreciate gifts in Joe's memory made to the Junior Everblades Hockey Scholarship, online at <https://jreverblades.sportngin.com/register/form/355316058>, or by check made out to Junior Everblades Hockey and sent to Junior Everblades Hockey, 20301 Grande Oaks Blvd, STE 118, PMB 74, Estero, FL 33928.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home Family Owned and operated Since 1978

Cemetery Details

St. John the Evangelist Memorial Garden

625 111th Ave. No.
Naples, FL 34108

Previous Events

Inurnment

APR **12**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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