



## Joseph "Joey" Holterhoff

January 14, 1953 - February 20, 2017

Joseph "Joey" Holterhoff, 64, of Hawthorne, NJ, died peacefully Monday, February 20, 2017 in Fort Myers, Florida after battling cancer.

Born in Paterson, he grew up in Hawthorne and lived in Monmouth County, NJ for many years before moving to Estero, Florida in 2014. Joey graduated from Paterson Catholic High School in 1972 where he played football.

Joey was a sales representative for Frankford Leather Company of Bensalem, Pennsylvania for over 30 years where he touched the lives of many of his customers in NJ, PA and CT.

Joey is survived by his devoted wife of 10 years Gerri, originally of Middletown, NJ, children Matthew of Freehold, NJ, Jessica of Denver, Colorado, Bonnie Turner of Atlanta, GA, Mark Gass and wife Jamie of Crownsville, MD and granddaughter Eva Lee Gass.

Joey leaves behind his loving mother Helen and brother Reverend Edward of Morro Bay, CA, brother Thomas of Palm Springs, CA, brother Louis of Beachwood, NJ, sister Mae Greenwald-Schein of Marina Del Ray, CA as well as many nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by his father Edward J. of Whiting, NJ.

Joey was of Roman Catholic faith and was a parishioner of St. Anthony's

Parish of Hawthorne, NJ for many years.

Joey was larger than life and had a smile and personality to match. Always selfless, he took joy in the happiness of others. Joey had a love of life, the NY Jets, golf and Jack Daniels. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Funeral services will be private at the request of the family. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his honor to the American Cancer Society.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph "Joey" Holterhoff*

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October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Eternal Rest Grant Unto Him Oh Lord, May the Perpetual Light  
Shine Upon Him, May He Rest In Peace AMEN*

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**Jack Brogan** - June 02, 2022 at 06:37 AM

CH

“ I met Joey in 1980, I was barely 20 and he was turning 30. Our eyes literally met across a party. I was so intimidated because I was so young and he had a Corvette. He wanted to date me and I continually said no, but he was so cute and he was so insistent that I finally said yes. He was so respectful, and never pressured, or asked for anything. I love that he loved life. That fact was so impressive on my young life at that time, that I could not resist his charms. He was one of the best friends I ever had through the last 40 years of my life, emotionally he was always there to lift my spirits over the phone, I will always respect him and his life, and his wives, and his kids, and his family forever forever. I have vivid memories of him taking me to St. Anthony's Church across the street that my grandmother took me to every Sunday since I was born. However those memories of my grandmother and those memories of Joseph are completely different. He was a very very caring compassionate soul, and a terrific friend to me even though I have not seen him since 1980. He impacted my life, he changed the destination of my life because of his unconditional love, which I am and always have been encouraged by. My love goes out to his kids and his wives, ex-wives excuse me, and all that were honored to love him. I have lost my mom, my brother and my sister in the last three years and I didn't realize that I lost somebody that I always thought I could call, and had no idea he was sick. He was there for me and never said a word to me that he was ill. That was the Joseph that I knew and always loved, and I pray that all his loved ones knew, loved and respected those same attributes. God Bless you Joey, my cousins daughter will be married this month in Saint Anthony's Church, when I walk through the back I will always remember you and think of you as a little altar boy that you were once. I love you I miss you and I pray your family is OK, as I know you are in heaven with our father. Now it's your turn to pray for me! ❤️❤️❤️

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Cheri - September 10, 2018 at 02:15 AM

ME

“ So sorry to hear of my classmates death. Joey was a big guy with a great smile. I was so into sports myself and loved to watch the PC guys out on the football field. We may never have been in touch after high school but I am still sad for your loss. Class of '72 Michele (Giannone) Eid

Michele Eid - March 08, 2017 at 05:40 AM

RC

“ Joey was a good friend of my family especially my uncle frank who passed away in 07 , I had many nice conversations with joe over the years and already missed him when he retired I am very sorry for ur loss , Rick Purpora from star shoe repair in new haven conn.



rick Purpora from star shoe repair nh ct - March 03, 2017 at 02:25 PM

JC

“ On behalf of the Carrolls from Hawthorne, I would like to extend our condolences to the family of Joey Holterhoff. I remember him as a baby, a child and a teenager. After my ordination in 1966, we lost touch. I remember all of his siblings and parents very well. I loved being in their crazy house across the street from St. Anthony's. It was a happy home with lots of screaming and laughter. Helen and Ed were wonderful. I taught the twins how to serve Mass. I often ate breakfast after Mass in their home before going to school. I have scheduled 5 masses for Joey during Lent and I promise to pray for all of you. Thanks for the memories. Love, Jack

jack carroll - February 27, 2017 at 09:41 AM

BT

*Dear Jack, Thanks very much for your note. I am here in Florida celebrating a small service for Joey. There will be a Mass on Sunday in my parish in California. Helen is almost 97 years so she couldn't be here today. I will tell her and the rest of the family that you sent a note to the mortuary. How did you find out? Where are you living now? If you want to keep in touch, my e-mail address is e.holterhoff@sbcglobal.net. I have many fond memories and still have the beautiful statue of Mary you gave me at your ordination. Ed*

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**bonnie turner** - February 28, 2017 at 10:26 AM

BT

*Jack please send us your contact info.*

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**bonnie turner** - February 28, 2017 at 10:28 AM

LR

“ *So very sorry to hear about Joe, I will keep him and the Holterhoff family in my prayers, may you find peace in knowing his suffering is over*

*Lorraine Szapka Ryan*

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**lorraune Szapka Ryan** - February 26, 2017 at 08:01 PM

JD

“ *My condolences. He was a cool dude in high school.*

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**James Dericks** - February 24, 2017 at 11:08 AM

DS

“ *I'm so sorry to hear about Joe. Please accept my sincere condolences.*

*Donna Flory Sooley*

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**Donna J Sooley** - February 24, 2017 at 08:03 AM

LB

“ All of us at Frankford Leather Co. are deeply saddened. We offer our condolences and prayers. Joey was one of the most hardest working and most caring individuals we have ever met. He had an impact on all that he encountered. We were blessed to have been his friend and associate for many years. He will be missed but never forgotten.

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**Louis Buonomo** - February 23, 2017 at 08:19 AM