



Francis Joseph Brown

May 8, 1944 - January 16, 2024

Francis Joseph "Joe" Brown, 79, of Towanda, PA passed away surrounded by family and friends on Tuesday, January 16, 2024, at his home following declining health. Joe was born May 8, 1944, in Philadelphia, PA the son of Francis Brown and Teresa Dempster Brown. Joe was a skilled carpenter and builder his whole life.

He started learning the trades at a young age and went on to own his own construction business with his best friend, Bill Jones. He later became a commercial supervisor at Sylvan Pools and Anthony Pools. Joe could build anything – homes, black powder rifles, fly fishing lures, tree houses, cars..you name it, he could build it. Joe was masterful and creative with his hands. He loved to teach people his many skills and was very proud of his accomplishments. He was an avid archer, sportsman, hunter, ski instructor, horse lover and talented mechanic. He bought his first horse, Daisy, at the age of 13 after winning first place at a school art competition. Joe loved telling stories of drag racing in his first Corvette. He won Best of Show with many of his restored vintage Corvettes and won many races in his 1932 Ford Tudor Sedan street rod, "Merlin the Wizard". He was very proud of his four daughters, Amy Brown of Sellersville, PA, grandson, Tyler Brown, great-grandchildren Skyler and Silas Brown, Becky Bellamy and husband Kevin Bellamy of Perth, Ontario, Canada and grandchildren, Ben and Will Bellamy, Charity Brown and husband, Carlo Russo of Media, PA, grandchildren, Chloe & Bradley Russo, Kristy Dean and husband, Matt Dean of Danbury, CT,

grandchildren, Rory, Cooper and Finn Dean. He is survived by his siblings, Charles Brown of Cape May, NJ, Regina Larzelere of Quakertown, PA, Julie Jones of Pipersville, PA and Marylou Saunders of Pennsburg, PA, as well as many wonderful nieces, nephews, friends and his beloved furry companion, Jackson. Francis and his family were very blessed to have Rose Scott, her daughter, Heather Nudd, and granddaughter, Elianna Jolin, who lovingly and selflessly cared for him when he was unwell. You truly are our angels on earth and we will be forever grateful. Joe was sadly preceded in death by his wife of 11 years, Marguerite, his parents, Francis Brown and Teresa Dempster Brown, his sister, Teresa Gentile, and his youngest brother, Robert Brown. A Celebration of Life will be announced at a later date. Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting www.bowenfuneralhomes.com.