



Joseph G. Mullen

September 12, 1953 - August 15, 2022

JOSEPH G. MULLEN

Joseph G. “Joe” Mullen left this world on August 15, 2022 at Mercy House in Endicott, NY after a brave battle with an aggressive cancer. He passed away peacefully with Maggie Nolan Sheffler and his brother Tony at his bedside.

Joe was born in Sayre, PA on September 12, 1953, the son of Joseph and Loretta Sperduti Mullen. He graduated from Sayre High School with the Class of 1971. Joe then attended Mansfield University where he earned a Bachelor’s degree in Art and also a Master’s degree in Art Education. He also taught Art History classes at Lackawanna College for 20 years.

Joe’s entire life was devoted to his love of art and art-related endeavors. He became a prolific painter, especially of portraits for which he had a special talent. Most recently he undertook to create a life size sculpture of Mark Twain’s “Any Man”, which is now ready to be bronzed and erected.

Joe was also an ardent environmentalist, primitive wildlife camper, mountain climber and fisherman. He especially loved the Barclay Mountains and the Adirondacks. Some of his most memorable days were spent exploring, camping and fishing there.

Joe had a one of a kind personality; he was a kind and gentle man who helped so many people, usually anonymously. He often remarked that aspect of his personality was a gift by example from his father and his sister Sheila. He was well loved by his neighbors at Muldoon Gardens for his sense of humor and kindness.

Joe was predeceased by his daughter Emily Mullen, his parents, his sister Sheila Mullen Henry, his maternal grandparents Tony and Lena Sperduti, his paternal grandparents Anthony and Theresa Mullen, his sisters-in-law Cathy and Celeste Mullen, his special Ault cousins John, Nancy (Elston) and Ron, and special great-niece Rebecca Ryan; as well as numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and good friends.

Joe is survived by his daughters Elizabeth and Alisa (Jason) Long and their mother, his former wife Gail; his sister and brother-in-law Kathy & Dr. Robert Huddle, his brothers Tom and Patrick Mullen, his brother and sister-in-law Tony & Barbara Mullen, his very special friend Maggie Nolan Sheffler who he loved dearly; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and special friends, which includes Les Rolfe, Gene Osman and Steve Downs.

A time of visitation will take place on Saturday, August 20, 2022 at the Alteri-Bowen Funeral Home, 314 Desmond Street, Sayre, PA from 10 AM to 1 PM.

A Celebration of Life and luncheon will take place directly following at the Roma Madre Sons of Italy Club, 301 Desmond Street, Sayre, PA.

Memorial bequests and donations can be made in Joe's memory to Mercy House in Endicott, the Carantouan Greenway Wildlife Nature Reserve or the art class at Waverly High School, Waverly, NY.

Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting www.bowenfuneralhomes.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **20**. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph G. Mullen*

October 22, 2023 at 08:10 PM



“ *Joseph G. Mullen*

October 08, 2023 at 10:34 PM



“ *Joseph G. Mullen*

October 06, 2023 at 09:57 AM



“ *Joseph G. Mullen*

October 06, 2023 at 03:29 AM



“ *Joseph G. Mullen*

October 05, 2023 at 02:02 PM



“ *My kids will always remember that afternoon by the reflecting pool with all of those tadpoles!! We will love you forever*

Sarah Flint Amelia - September 13, 2022 at 02:07 PM

LG

“ Joe, a boundless friend with a generous heart, an impish grin ,twinkle in his eyes and infectious laugh. There is only goodness in his heart ,apparent in his love of the outdoors, for other creatures of the earth and for his family and friends. Joe’s energetic self may have transformed , but he is still with us in another form, soaring with eagles, flying with the dragonflies and riding the celestial bodies of our universe. See you again in Tir Na Nog my friend. My deepest condolences to Joe’s family.

Lori Gardner - August 20, 2022 at 10:48 AM

VS

“ Thinking of you as you celebrate Joe’s beautiful life. He will live on in your heart.

Vicki Sindoni - August 18, 2022 at 08:50 AM

VS

“ Vicki Sindoni sent a virtual gift in memory of Joseph G. Mullen



Vicki Sindoni - August 18, 2022 at 08:48 AM

RL

“ A dear man, my neighbor, my schoolmate, my friend. Joe, your smile and laughter were infectious. I will always have fond memories of our school days and the haunted garage at Halloween. You always remember the friends you grew up with. May your soul now Rest In Peace.

Rita Jo Little-Swingle - August 18, 2022 at 05:46 AM

AO

“ Joe Mullen....what an interesting guy
I knew Joe from Mansfield University Art Dept. activities. Joe made
everything interesting ! ☆Good Memories☆
R.I.P. JOE MULLEN

Amy ORourke - August 17, 2022 at 10:23 PM

RS

“ My sincere condolences to the Mullen family, including Tony. He and
I graduated from Sayre High, class of '65. I lived a few houses down
from the Mullen home on Stedman Street during the 50's. I got to
know Joe, his siblings and his mom and dad. He was a kind and
gentle soul. May he rest in peace.

Richard A. Smith

Richard A. Smith - August 17, 2022 at 06:03 PM

KR

“ K. Rose lit a candle in memory of Joseph G.
Mullen



K. Rose - August 17, 2022 at 12:19 PM

BS

“ RIP Dear Friend!!!

Barbara Hallett Sloat - August 17, 2022 at 09:11 AM

MA

“ ... *Wild men who caught and sang the sun in flight... the world will be less now*

mark - August 17, 2022 at 07:54 AM