



Darwin "Joe" Joseph Wilson

April 1, 1931 - March 30, 2021

Darwin Joseph "Joe" Wilson, age 89, of Roselawn passed away peacefully Tuesday, March 30, 2021 at home, surrounded by his loving children.

Joe was born April 1, 1931, in Lake Village, Indiana, the son of, Lester and Iva (Telford) Wilson. He graduated from Mt. Ayr High School, Class of 1949. Joe married Phyllis M Pritchett on November 5, 1950 in Rensselaer. She preceded him in death on March 11, 2016. He retired from US Steel in 1986 after 36 years. Joe then retired from Illiana Machine in 2001 after 12 more years.

Joe served on the North Newton School Board for 10 years, was a charter member of the Lincoln Township Fire Department for 11 years and trustee of Lincoln Township for 4 years. He was an active archer and bowhunter and a member of the Oakridge Archery Club. He was an avid golfer and member of the Supervisor's Club in Hobart and Lugene Links in Lake Village. Joe was also a 50-year member of the Free Masons and active in the York Rite Masons and a member of Prairie Lodge #125. He was a former Master of Howard O. Hunter Lodge F&AM #751, former High Priest of Rensselaer Chapter 150, former Illustrious Master of Rensselaer council #109, former Commander of Lafayette Commandery #3, former Commander of Harry W. Matthewson Commandery #66, former Prior of J. Herbert Nichols Priory #76, and former member of Knights of the York Cross of Honor in Portage. Joe was a 32nd degree Scottish Rite Mason of South Bend and a member of the Orak

Shriners in Michigan City. Joe was also a member of the Roselawn United Methodist Church.

Joe is survived by his children, Jim (Patty) Wilson of Orland Park, IL; Debbie (Marlon) Slayton of Mitchell, IN; Tim (Peggy) Wilson of Hobart, IN; and Becky (Billy) DeWitt of Brookston, IN; 11 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, and brother, Ron (Lorna) Wilson of Lake Village, IN.

Joe was preceded in death by his parents, wife, and 3 brothers: Donald (Louise), Kenneth (Barbara), and Keith (Susie) Wilson, and sister, Marlene Wortley.

All services for Joe Wilson are private, family only with interment to be held at Roselawn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Prairie Lodge #125 in Rensselaer.

Cemetery Details

Roselawn Cemetery

Roselawn Cemetery
Roselawn, IN 46372

Tribute Wall

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“ *Tami Day lit a candle in memory of Darwin
"Joe" Joseph Wilson*



Tami Day - April 01, 2021 at 02:27 PM

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“ *Brother Wilson will be missed tremendously by his brothers at
Prairie Lodge #125*

Prairie Lodge #125 - April 01, 2021 at 12:10 PM

GS

“ *Gary Sheffer lit a candle in memory of Darwin
"Joe" Joseph Wilson*



Gary Sheffer - April 01, 2021 at 11:31 AM

LM

“ *I remember spending many hours at the farm in Thayer. Uncle Joe
and Aunt Phyllis hosted some great reunions and parties. He
always had something funny to say. My condolences to Jim,
Debbie, Tim, and Becky. Love to you all.*

Lisa Miller - March 31, 2021 at 10:16 PM

JW

“ Rest in peace uncle Joe. We were just remembering you yesterday knowing your birthday was approaching. God bless you.

Jean Wilson - March 31, 2021 at 05:12 PM

CS

“ Hugs to all of you, many memories of family vacations to Wisconsin and riding in the back of the station wagon and definitely 4th of July picnics. Rest In Peace Uncle Joe.

Carol (wilson) Simpson - March 31, 2021 at 04:24 PM

VN

“ To the family: Jim, Debbie, Tim and Becky, Thinking of you all, fond memories of our families as we were growing up.

Vicki Nagel - March 31, 2021 at 03:52 PM