



## Joseph J. Sopcich

March 20, 1932 - January 23, 2017

Joseph J. Sopcich, age 84, a longtime resident of Calumet City, IL and formerly of Knox, IN passed away Monday, January 23, 2017 in Lowell. Joseph was born on March 20, 1932 in Chicago, Illinois. He was the son of Nicholas and Mary (Grbac) Sopcich. Joseph married Loretta (Kowalczyk) on March 7, 1953 in Calumet City. She preceded him in death on November 3, 2015. Joseph attended Chicago Vocational School. He was employed with Veteran's Supply for many years and retired from the City of Calumet City. Joseph proudly served in the Korean War and is a veteran of the U.S. Army. Joseph is survived by his children: Julie (Michael McCoy) Sopcich of Seattle, WA; Christine (Daniel) Georgevich of Peoria, AZ; Mary (Mark) Maranto of Knox, IN; Nicholas (Mari Ann) Sopcich of DeMotte, IN; 10 grandchildren: Michelle, Derek, Alan, Lindsay, Alissa, Benjamin, Michael, Emily, Matthew, and McKinley; 5 great grandchildren: Jonah, Lileana, Elia, Ronin, and James; many nieces and nephews.

Joseph was preceded in death by his parents; wife; grandson: Steven Sopcich; 1 brother and 3 sisters.

Friends may call on Friday, January 27, 2017 from 11:00 AM-1:00 PM at Jackson Funeral Service of DeMotte. A Celebration of Life will be held at 1:00 PM. Interment will be at Cemetery of the Resurrection with military honors.

# Cemetery Details

## Cemetery of the Resurrection

Cemetery of the Resurrection  
De Motte, IN 46310

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JAN 27.** 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Service of DeMotte  
200 3rd Street, SW  
P.O. Box 681  
DeMotte, IN 46310  
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## Celebration of Life

**JAN 27.** 12:45 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

BK

“ *Barb Kosarko lit a candle in memory of Joseph J. Sopcich*



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**Barb Kosarko** - January 28, 2017 at 04:28 AM

PW

“ *Dear Julie, Chris, Mary & Nicky,  
Please accept my sincerest sympathy on the loss of your dear father. As his "younger" cousin (I'm the age of your late Aunt Mess), I was always impressed with his soft-spoken, kind ways. He was good to my Mom as well as his parents. After my Dad died suddenly (at age 48) a few weeks before Thanksgiving in 1963, Joey & Lorie invited my Mom, me & some of my other siblings for Thanksgiving dinner. That meant so much to us. The first memory I had of your Dad was when he visited my family with his mother (my Aunt Mary) when he was on leave from the Army while serving in Korea. I was about 6 or 7 and he looked so tall, handsome, & brave; everyone was so proud of him...and I am sure that all of you will always be because he had to be a great father.  
May he rest in peace. I will have a Mass offered for him at my church next month.  
Pat (Golas) Webster, Longmont, Co (ronpatwebster@gmail.com)*

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**Patricia Webster** - January 25, 2017 at 11:07 PM

JM

“ *Sending my deepest condolences to you  
Mary, and your Family...*



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**Jeannie Madden** - January 25, 2017 at 04:13 PM

SR

“ *Dear Julie, Chris, Mary & Nicky and families  
My deepest condolences on the loss of your  
dad. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.  
Susie (Cichy) Rousseau*



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**S. Rousseau** - January 25, 2017 at 04:12 PM

DR

“ *To My Cousin Joey's Family,  
Please accept my deepest condolences on the loss of a very loved  
man. Joey will always be remembered by me, and surely others, as  
always smiling. He was kind and caring to me and my siblings. I will  
always remember my good times with him, Anna, Dorothy, Frankie  
and Mary Ann.  
Sincerely, Cousin Dorothy (Golas) Richardson  
Rapid City, SD dorothyrich@midco.net*

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**Dorothy Richardson** - January 25, 2017 at 02:27 PM

DL

“ *Our heartfelt sympathies and many prayers.*



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**Don & Tracy Lightfoot** - January 25, 2017 at 11:43 AM

LN

“ *Love, Angela, Cathy and Nicole purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Joseph J. Sopcich.*



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**Love, Angela, Cathy and Nicole** - January 24, 2017 at 05:55 PM

NS

“ *Nicole Saenz lit a candle in memory of Joseph J. Sopcich*



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**Nicole Saenz** - January 24, 2017 at 04:10 PM

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*From my father to yours.....I light this yellow candle in honor of them both. I offer you all a time of peace during this difficult time. Share your happiest memories together and make sure to laugh. It heals so much of the pain. Thinking of you all.*

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**Nicole Saenz** - January 24, 2017 at 04:12 PM

CH

*Thanks, Nicole. Your thoughts and the candle are greatly appreciated. We have lots & lots of happy & funny memories & will definitely be sharing them!*

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**Chris** - January 24, 2017 at 04:58 PM