



Joseph E Butler

September 24, 1973 - March 12, 2014

Butler, Joseph E. 40. Loving son of Edward and Eleanor. Loyal brother of Christopher (Christine). Dear Uncle to Aidan Butler. Adored godfather of Mia Brynn McLoughlin. A graduate of the Wheatley School and attended C.W. Post College. He worked for Robb Peck McCooley and LaBranche, on the N.Y.S.E. floor for 15 years. Donations can be made to St. Hugh Project HOPE. 21 East 9th Street, Huntington Station, NY 11746.

Cemetery Details

St. Charles Cemetery

2015 Wellwood Avenue
Farmingdale, NY 11735

Previous Events

Monday Visitation

MAR 17. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

A.L. Jacobsen Funeral Home, Inc.
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Monday Visitation

MAR 17. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 18. 9:30 AM (ET)

St. Hugh of Lincoln R.C. Church
21 E. 9th Street
Huntington Station, NY 11746
(631) 427-0638
<http://www.sthugh.org>

Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph E Butler*

November 27, 2022 at 05:33 PM

“ *Eulogy from Funeral Mass (first half)*

Along he came, Joseph Edward, into our home at 25-38, 81st street in Jackson Heights, Queens, to the wonderment of a certain 5 year old little boy in 1973.

I was old enough to see him and love him as the beautiful gift he was (as I can remember)... cooing and crying and eating and "making" for mommy to tend..

Curly hair and smiles, growing so quickly, crawling, walking, playing with his little toys.. and then, MY toys...

Then terrible twos, and threes, his toys (and mine) strewn around the room by a little troublemaker who didn't know any better. Me begrudgingly cleaning up after them each time..

Cousins at the apartment, Sundays at Grandma D's, visits to Grandma Butler around the corner...

Christmases, birthdays, and thanksgivings.. weddings, births, and passings... surrounded by a family of Robbs and DiGregorios, McLoughlins and Franzonis, growing by leaps and bounds. Love, everywhere, soaking into the souls of two little boys growing in that beautiful intangible whole of family, love, belonging, caring, friendship. All the while, not grasping what it meant. Yet, every precious moment with you all gradually put the pieces of the puzzle into place.

In this quiet and raucous and wondrous place made of so many places, this home within and without, were forged two young men, so different on the surface yet so fiercely the same within.

My Brother. Adorable, inquisitive, quiet, reserved, shy... Stoic through trials and Joyous in triumphs

He was 4 when his eyes suddenly crossed from an infection, and followed, big prismatic glasses in pre-school when children can be cruel.

He was our little tag-along, following me and Barbara around, and never tattling on us when we did stuff we weren't supposed to.

At 7 a fever during a summer in Quogue, then home to find the morning with a little boy limp with spinal meningitis, Enduring spinal taps and tests with a stiff upper lip and very little tears.

He was that same age when he found that meningitis affected his legs and his ability to run..

But a defining trait showed itself: Determination...

He became a baseball player. A GOOD one.

Sports a big part of the picture then..

Laughter and triumph sometimes hand in hand.. The soccer exhibition at Nassau Coliseum for example; comprised of a tight swarm of 22 little Oompa-Loompas racing around the field with the ball in the center.

Well, JOE scored the goal.

Going to Yankee games, (and Met games, uncle George DID have season tickets right near first base) and rivalry with the Robb cousins.

Summers in Quogue and on the beach.

“ Eulogy from Funeral Mass: (second half)

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My brother's path and mine diverged then, as is expected of brothers 5 years apart.. Our circles of friends coalesced into those of our own, and much about Joe became so deeply that of his friends and younger cousins..

So many stories that make us all laugh, some make us swell with pride, some make us shake our heads.

Through each one of them, from every corner the word I heard every time in the recounting.. Loyalty.

Then the next generation of our family came. And the next beautiful expression of this complex young man came to light:

Uncle Joe.

His niece, Ava, niece and goddaughter Mia, Nuno's little girls Julia and Jenna, all the kids saw him in a way that is so pure, and free of pretense, so goofy, and happy, and protective, and loving.

There it may be the finest hours of my brother's life were spent.

As time has passed, through happiness in the early 2000's when my brother's life reconnected with mine in our house together in Huntington, I finally got to know his friends Nuno and Alex and Daniela and later, Gregg, Eric and others as the truly amazing and loyal brothers and sisters I always could be sure had his back.

Joe's time here ended so early..

But his impact on you all reflects back to me the staggeringly deep well of love he had to give, and did.

Think not on the struggles of late.

Dwell not on the battle with himself and his pain.

Grieve, as you must.. but remember for me, please, the little boy who loved so very very much, so very totally and selflessly, each and every one of you so fortunate to have been blessed by knowing him.

*Goodbye, baby brother.
Goodbye, man among men.*

Rest now, Joey, and have the peace you so deeply deserve...

For my brother, laid to rest Tuesday March 18th 2014, my love forever... Chris.

Christopher J. Butler - March 19, 2014 at 12:41 PM

JE

“ *Dearest Chris,
there are no words to lessen the sorrow of such huge tragedy. We didn't know Joe very well but we got a glimpse of his personality at your wedding: a sharp sense of humor and deep, true love for you. Our deepest sympathies to your parents as well.
Joe and Enza*

Joe and Enza - March 17, 2014 at 07:57 AM

JW

“ *Joe is a amazing soul and as good a friend as one could hope for. He will truly be missed but never forgotten. Our loss is Heaven's gain. Until we meet again, my friend.
- JW*

Joe Wise - March 17, 2014 at 12:13 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Joseph E Butler.*



March 17, 2014 at 12:07 AM



“ *Joe Wise purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Joseph E Butler.*



Joe Wise - March 17, 2014 at 12:06 AM



“ *Mr and Mrs Butler, Chris and Family, and anyone who has been lucky enough to love Joey... may you find peace-in time, and comfort in the depths of the love you have for Joey.*

Joey was so very special to me. A true friend-a 'big-brother'. I wish so badly that I could give him one more giant hug.

Even though it's been 3 years since we last spoke- I can still imagine every detail of giving him a big hug, seeing him smirk, and hearing about his whimsical, "only you, joe!" life stories.

I'm so appreciative to have shared such a genuine friendship with Joey. Regardless of the circumstance- it was clear that Joe had nothing but love in his heart-especially for his family and friends.

My heart is heavy and my eyes are watery. But...I'm smiling. To know him is to love him. And laugh with him.

Love, prayers, and positive thoughts to Mr and Mrs Butler and Family

Lindsey Murphy - March 16, 2014 at 11:53 PM

ST

“ *Sissy & Tony purchased the Love Everlasting Bouquet for the family of Joseph E Butler.*



Sissy & Tony - March 16, 2014 at 10:57 AM

PM

“ *Patie menza purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Joseph E Butler.*



Patie menza - March 15, 2014 at 09:54 PM

PM

“ *Ed and Eleanor, I am truly sorry for your loss. There is no loss that can compare to that of a child. Just know he is in a good place smiling down at you.*



patie menza - March 15, 2014 at 09:43 PM

NM

“ *Words could never express the loss of a best friend. You will forever live in my heart. Thank you for your unconditional friendship and always being by my side. I am truly blessed for all the laughter and joy you have brought into my life. My children Julia and Jenna will always remember their Uncle Joe they love you so much! Love you brother, until we meet again, Nuno*

Nuno Martins - March 14, 2014 at 09:01 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Joseph E Butler.*



March 14, 2014 at 04:31 PM

SA

“ Stacey & Tara Abrams purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Joseph E Butler.



Stacey & Tara Abrams - March 14, 2014 at 12:53 PM

WB

“ I am so sorry for your loss. He always had a smile on his face when I saw him. There are no words...

wendy bishop - March 14, 2014 at 04:09 AM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Joseph E Butler.



March 13, 2014 at 08:55 PM



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AR

“ Joe had a vast and true heart. His deep and abiding goodness was the sort that you felt whenever you saw him and if you were lucky enough to draw a smile from him you can consider yourself part of a fraternity if people given a treasure. His goodness, I always felt, weighed on him as I guess real gifts must. But always, Joseph was true blue. He will be missed as a matter of course but the world lost something truly precious and unique and I've never felt so helpless.

Ari - March 13, 2014 at 07:32 PM

CG

“ Eleanor and Ed, our dear neighbors of 30 years, our deepest sympathy and prayers are with you. We remember Joseph growing up across the street. Charlie and Gerry Giannakos.

Charlie and Gerry Giannakos - March 13, 2014 at 03:23 PM

LG

“ Our heartfelt condolences and prayers go out to the family and friends of Joseph. Rest in peace.

Little Saint Religious Goods - March 13, 2014 at 01:35 PM

TM

“ There are no words to express how sorry I am.. R.I.P. Joe



Theresa Mott - March 13, 2014 at 08:01 AM

RK

“ I will always remember my little brother, Chris, ari, Evan, mark, and joe at my house. These guys truly knew the meaning of friendship. I always will remember laughter, smiles, and just great kids being friends.

Condolences from the entire Kahn family.

ronni kahn - March 12, 2014 at 10:28 PM

DD

*ELEANOR & EDDY
WE ARE SO SORRY TO HERE OF YOUR GREAT LOSS. ARE LOVE
AND PRAYER ARE WITH YOU.
MARY & DAN DWYER*

DAN & MARY DWYER - March 14, 2014 at 10:11 AM

JG

“ As a man Joe forgave me for my failures as a boy. He did so without question or condition. This was important to me. If I knew only one thing about Joe, that would be enough to convince me he was a good person. I only wish I had known him better. My condolences to his entire family.

Jonathan Goldstein - March 12, 2014 at 10:00 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Joseph E Butler.*



March 12, 2014 at 09:48 PM

 Chris
Maisto

“ Although its been many years since I've seen Joe, I am just floored to hear the news today. I've known Joe since I was 6 1/2 when I moved to East Williston. So many fond memories of times spent with him - my mom said today she remembers a picture of us playing together in my backyard when we were 7. From the whole Maisto family, our condolences, thoughts and prayers are with the Butlers

Chris Maisto - March 12, 2014 at 09:43 PM



“ Guardian Angel Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Joseph E Butler.



March 12, 2014 at 09:36 PM



“ Joe used to walk me home late at night from parties to make sure I got home safe. We shared a certain bond because our brothers were best friends.

Karen Haberberg - March 12, 2014 at 09:20 PM



“ Ed and Elinore - we are so sorry to hear about Joe's passing. How terribly sad to lose a child. Our hearts and prayers are with you and your family.

Pete and Toni

Toni Saewert - March 12, 2014 at 08:50 PM

AK

“ Joe was a source of many smiles and laughter in my life. I will never forget traveling to Massachusetts with him for Marc's wedding and enjoying two days with him at my side.

Andy Kahn - March 12, 2014 at 08:15 PM

CR

“ Joseph a kind loving person was loved by all my family always looked forward to seeing him at family funtions. I remember him lounging around the pool in Quogue an helping me when ever he could I will miss you always Joe your Aunt Clare

clare robb - March 12, 2014 at 08:15 PM

DM

“ Goodbye brother joe. Am truly saddened by your sudden passing . Know that the love people have for you follows you always . . . Rest in peace

david mott - March 12, 2014 at 07:52 PM

JR

“ My memories of Joe are of seeing him at family gatherings and his warm, gentle, sweet face always being there in the crowd. He was a beautiful young man. I was always happy to see him and my kids would always make a point to tell me that they really loved him and felt so comfortable with him. He had a combination of all the wonderful traits of both his parents. He was gorgeous on the inside as well as the outside. An angel here on earth and now in the heavens. Rest peacefully Joseph.

JoAnne Robb - March 12, 2014 at 05:53 PM