



Joseph William Willard

October 20, 1943 - September 18, 2021

Joseph W. Willard of Mount Holly passed away on Saturday, September 18, 2021 at his home. He was 77.

Born in California, Joseph was raised in Philadelphia and was a graduate of Neshaminy High School and West Chester State University where he was a 4 year varsity 3rd baseman and team captain his senior year. Joe was a longtime teacher and coach at Riverside High School. He loved touching the lives of so many high school students. While at Riverside he was Varsity Baseball Coach, Assistant Boys Soccer Coach and Assistant Wrestling Coach. He was also Past President of the Riverside Teacher's Association. Joe was also a longtime baseball umpire and past President of the SJ Umpire's Association. He also was a past Tri-County Swim Club representative and US Swimming Official. In more recent years, he was an avid golfer. He and his wife lived in Willingboro before moving to Mount Holly 27 years ago.

Joseph is survived by his wife of 54 years, Diane; 2 sons: Joseph Willard, Jr. of Moorestown and George (Danielle) Willard of Delran; 3 grandchildren: Campbell, George and Sam Willard all of Delran. He is predeceased by his brother, Al who was a veteran, police officer, and firefighter in PA.

Funeral Services and Cremation will be held privately. Contributions in his

memory may be made to the Mount Holly Police c/o Aleshire, Wurst, Holmes Memorial Fund, 23 Washington St., Mount Holly, NJ 08060, or the American Emergency Squad, 219 Mill Street, Mount Holly, NJ 08060

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Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph William Willard*

October 29, 2022 at 11:57 AM



“ *Joseph William Willard*

October 29, 2022 at 09:53 AM



“ *I just found out that Mr Willard passed today as I went to his facebook page to wish him a happy birthday. I was hoping to read again that he shot his age in golf one more time. He was a great guy and a great coach.*

Tom Polidore - October 20, 2021 at 01:28 PM



“ *Mr. Willard was my Drivers Ed teacher. Health teacher, gym teacher for 4 years and High school baseball coach. After I graduated high school. I then worked as a maintenance man at Riverside for 11 years and I spoke to Mr. Willard all the time on his breaks. We talked about stocks that we liked. We shared Phillies tickets at the Vet 4 rows behind home plate. I would visit him in Burlington at the antique place. I feel honored to have known him. I know that he loved his family and grand children he always spoke very highly about them. Mr. Willard thank you for letting me be apart of your life. From David Schmierer*

David schmierer - September 26, 2021 at 10:20 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joseph William Willard.



September 23, 2021 at 06:16 PM



“ Joseph was my wrestling coach, and my driving instructor. He was one of the few rhs teachers I liked.

Frank Kilcoyne - September 22, 2021 at 10:55 AM



“ RIP Joe. Thanks for your long time friendship. I will miss our ACME chats. Our thoughts & prayers are with the entire Willard family.

Steve & Becky Masters - September 22, 2021 at 10:37 AM



“ I had Mr. Willard for drivers Ed. He was a great man and will be missed . RIP Mr Willard fly high 🙏

Nancy Pine Rozanski - September 21, 2021 at 09:24 PM



“ Funny story about Joe ,
He was my Drivers Education ,behind the wheel teacher . You were supposed to have 6 hours behind the wheel . I had maybe 1 1/2 hours because ,I drive him to Palmyra and the next day to Cinniminson to scout there teams . I said I need 6 hours ? He said you're good ,don't say anything.
Rest Easy Joe .

Vince Malecki - September 21, 2021 at 05:29 PM

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“ Joe and I were close friends for over forty five years. We first met and played on the same softball team in the seventies. We shared many games and times as umpires in the South Jersey Umpires' Association. He was the first person to have the patience to take me out to play golf for the first time. I will surely miss my buddy Joe.

Roger Gardner - September 21, 2021 at 01:07 PM