



Joseph M Carden

May 21, 1942 - November 21, 2025

With the heaviest of hearts, we announce the passing of Joseph M. Carden (Papa), who left our world on November 21, 2025 at age 83. Born on May 21, 1942, in Akron, Ohio, Joe was the third of nine children born to Andy and Agnes Carden. He spent 62 wonderful years married to the love of his life and childhood sweetheart, Linda, and he cherished every single day with her.

Joe Carden was a great man. Some would say he was a legend. He had a heart of gold, and was loved everywhere he went. He enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, singing karaoke, fishing, golfing, watching sports, joking around, and holding hands with his wife, Linda. He was sweet, stubborn, extremely patient, kind-hearted, honest, helpful, considerate, loving, loyal, and he gave one heck of a good hug.

Joe is now reunited in heaven with his daughter, Monica Phillips; his parents, Andy and Agnes Carden; his sisters, Mary, Corleen (Cory), and Angela (Angie); his brother, Andy; and dear friends including Hawk, Katz, Gordy, and others who have passed on before him.

He will be missed dearly by those who remain, including his wife, Linda Carden; his daughter, Michele Carden; his sisters Kathy, Linda, and Rose; his brother, Jim; his son-in-law, Mike Phillips; adopted nephew, Tom Phillips; adopted aunt, Kathleen Tarr; his grandchildren, Jamie (and Andy) Babbo,

Lauren Carden, and Meghan Haggard; his great-granddaughters Joscalynn, Lily, and Ellie; and good friends such as Bev and Bruce, Steve and Debi, Joe (Ron) and Kathy, Warren and Sandra, Harry, Bob, Joe Andrews, and many other friends from Breeze Hill, the Moose, and countless others who loved him.

Joe was a hardworking man, at times maintaining three jobs to support his family when his kids were young. He built his career at Goodyear Tires, and retired after 30+ years of service. He knew how to fix or clean just about anything, and he was always willing to lend a helping hand, even if his body was in pain. He was a truly selfless person.

An angel among us. Joe was the type of guy who would do anything for the ones that he loved, and was known for being one of the sweetest human beings you could ever meet. He spent his life caring for and loving his family so deeply, especially his wife, Linda, who made him so happy. Friends and family will remember him for his warm heart, and his ability to make anyone feel like family.

A Celebration of Life service will be held by the Carden family, in both Florida and Ohio, at times which will be disclosed at a later date by the family. This will be an opportunity for all who loved Joe to come, tell stories, and celebrate the life that he lived.

We want to thank everyone for all of the love and support you have shown through this difficult time. It's times like these that you realize how truly blessed you are to have such wonderful folks surrounding you. Thank you.

Joe (Papa) will be so deeply missed by so many, and while he is no longer with us, his spirit lives on in our hearts and through the impact he made on so many lives. May his soul rest in God's peace, until we meet again.

Tribute Wall

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“ *A sweet man who listened well and spoke softly. Always a compassionate man!*
Bill and Pat

pat wilson - December 03, 2025 at 01:40 PM

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“ *I worked with Joe @ Goodyear in Akron . Hard working and well liked by all . God bless Joe and his family .*

Rich Wagner - November 27, 2025 at 05:41 PM



“ *One of the things that I'll always cherish about my grandpa is how much he blossomed later in life. I would have never expected him to try singing karaoke, let alone love it so much! He was so much fun to be around. I will miss you, papa!*

Lauren Carden - November 27, 2025 at 03:31 PM

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Joe was such a friend and inspiration to us. Whenever I was around him I always was uplifted by his smile, humor and all around personality. He is the reason that I had the courage to try Karaoke, and while most of us are not great singers, it was his attitude and presence that made it fun. The memories of the conversations and beers we had together, fishing, golf and his smile will stay with me forever.

Ron (Joe) Veith - November 27, 2025 at 04:39 PM