



Joseph H. Rulo

December 19, 1934 - January 4, 2015

Obituary for Joseph (Joe) H. Rulo

Of Webster Groves, MO entered into rest on January 4, 2015. He is survived by his wife Marty of 34 years, children, Beth Rulo, Dana Rulo, Joseph C. Rulo, Lisa (Terry) Coleman Kelly (Mike) Lamp and Erin (Rick) Hutson. 16 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren, parents, the late Joseph V. & Margaret (nee DeClue) Rulo siblings, Annette Rulo, Margaret Rulo-Green , Nancy Rulo-Thaggard and the late Clara Rulo.

Joe was a graduate of McKinley High School in St. Louis City, and the University of Missouri at Columbia. Joe received his MSW from George Warren Brown School of Social Work at Washington University. Upon graduation he worked at Kingdom House in St. Louis where he helped many find their way towards a meaningful and rewarding life.

Joe left Kingdom House to become the Director of Special Services at the St. Louis County Juvenile Court. Among the many programs he created were the Group Home, Foster Care, and G.E.D. programs.

Upon retirement from the Juvenile Court, Joe went into private practice using his social work and counseling skills. Along with having many private clients he was asked to do customized training for government agencies around the country & Alaska.

In 2009 he began working part time for his son-in-law in his commercial cleaning company, CMP, where he stayed until his death.

Joe was a charismatic leader. He inspired many with his knowledge, wit, and compassion for others. He will be missed by many.

Family has chosen a private graveside services. Memorials can be made to the Animal Protection Agency or the Humane Society of Missouri. Family and friends can review and share stories, photos and condolences online at www.sifuneral.com and follow details of this event and others in the community

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“ *Joseph H. Rulo*

January 06, 2023 at 10:46 PM



“ *so sad to hear of his passing. Joe was one of the good guys.*

Barbara Woodruff - October 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *I'm crushed to hear of this. Mr. Rulo was so very helpful to me with a difficult family situation. He was so inspring, selfless and genuine. I could go on and on about what a unquely talented and wonderful man he was.Dean*

February 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Marty and Family,On behalf of the Animal Protective Association of Missouri we would like to express our "Deepest Sympathy" on the loss of your Beloved Husband and Father.Jo Ann Koch and APA Staff*

January 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *I as well was inspired by mr.rullo as a young teen .coming from a very dysfunctional family and being a run away,he picked me up at the detention home an took me to night school. I am now 61 yrs. old with three wonderful children and a blessed life. I will remember him telling me to believe in myself that I was a good person and couldn't help th parents I was given.Fond thoughts of him always.*

Dee Brunsworth - January 11, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Marty, Condolences to you and your family. Jerry & Mona Higginbotham*

January 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *What a funny, loving, caring man. My deepest sympathy to you all. I am very saddened hearing of his passing.*

Michel Cohen - January 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Marty & family Joe was a long time friend and classmate. So sorry to hear of his passing. Please accept our sincere sympathy. Harold & Sheila Alcorn (McKinley Alum)*

January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Rip joe you were a great man helping the kids as i was going up in southside. Kingdom house my twin sister peggy married mickey rulo both are deceased my God bless you his family.*

patty howard - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Marty and Family, Our condolences to you and your family at this difficult time. Praying the days ahead will bring many good memories of Joe. Sincerely, Jill and Frank*

Jill Petrovic - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My first thought when it comes to Joe is always the positive attitude and energy he carried in what seemed to be limitless quantities. He was kind and supportive of me at a young age when I needed that more than I knew. For that gift and other happy memories I am forever grateful and will remember Joe fondly. Marty, may your best memories bring you comfort during this difficult time. Take Care, Cara*

Cara Swank - January 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM