



Mr. Joseph Franklin Bricker Jr.

October 22, 1958 - May 19, 2025

Joseph Franklin Bricker, Jr. age 66, passed away on Monday, May 19, 2025, at OSF Peoria, Illinois, surrounded by Jessie Ann March-Bricker, his wife of 40 years and his family.

Joseph was born in Peoria, Illinois to Joseph F. Bricker, Sr. and Barbara (Spears) Bricker on October 22, 1958, at OSF. Joseph was preceded in death by both parents and niece Beatrice Ann Bricker. He is survived by siblings, Barbara J. Bricker of Clearwater, Florida, Roy Lee Bricker of Clearwater, Florida, Nyla Bricker of Denver, Colorado and John R. (Michelle) Bricker of Peoria, Illinois also his God children – Jahala March of Niles, Ohio, Tameron March of Youngstown, Ohio, J'Kayla Thurmond of Peoria, Illinois, Alexis Welch of Peoria, Illinois and DeQuiez Stringer and Dominique Stringer both of Peoria, Illinois and "Youth in The Circle."

Joseph was a member of the amputee golf association where he won numerous cross-country golf tournaments. He also participated in the Oak Run Golf tournaments. He was a Navy veteran and held multiple positions at Peoria Civic Center specializing as a Zamboni operator.

Joseph was also noted as being "lefty."

A Celebration of Life Service for Joseph will be held on Friday, June 6, 2025,

at Mt. Zion Baptist Church (305 S. Madison Park Terrace Peoria, IL 61605) at 11:00 a.m. with visitation commencing one hour prior at 10:00 a.m. Pastor Matthew Mitchell will host, and Pastor Ed Johnson of Tabernacle Missionary Baptist will present the Eulogy.

Joseph will be laid to rest at The Historic Springdale Cemetery.

Arrangements were made especially for the “Bricker” family and professionally directed by T.W. Parks Colonial Chapel. To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of “Joseph F. Bricker Jr.” please visit our Sympathy Store.

Cemetery Details

Springdale Cemetery

3014 N Prospect Rd
Peoria, IL 61603-2102
(309) 681-1400

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Mt. Zion M.B. Church
305 S Madison Park Ter
Peoria, IL 61605
(309) 674-4379

Celebration of Life

JUN 6. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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305 S Madison Park Ter
Peoria, IL 61605
(309) 674-4379

Tribute Wall

VK

“ To the Bricker Family - I was so very sorry to learn of Joe's passing. I had the pleasure and privilege of working with him at the Civic Center. I enjoyed our conversations and all the laughter. Besides being an excellent golfer, zamboni driver, security guard- he was a good dancer! I'll miss my friend. I pray God will bless you as you contend with your loss.



Vickie King - July 03, 2025 at 06:17 PM

FM

“ Joe I am honored that God allowed me to share in your life's journey . I will greatly miss our verbal sparring over who was the best in the WWE and sharing fish stories .
R. I. H. My dear friend and brother .

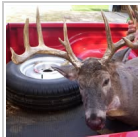
Floyd M. - May 26, 2025 at 10:48 AM

JT

“ I miss u so much. I love you, you is the best dad I can ever ask for. I will miss u forever. Thank u for being there for me and the Best dad ever. You will be missed. 🙏❤️



Jkayla Thurmond - May 23, 2025 at 09:52 PM



“ Joe was a fantastic person. Always smiling and upbeat. Worked with him for many years and had a blast. Will miss his humor and wit. RIP ole friend. Will miss you a lot.

Jim Hall - May 23, 2025 at 08:04 PM

RM

“ I worked with Joe at the Civic Center for a lot of years he was one of the security guards there we became good friends we talked about everything Joe always was smiling and laughing I'll miss that laugh he invited us over to his house a few times to just hang out get stoned play video golf and drink a couple beers Joe was the best one handed golfer I've ever known he was damn good he was a excellent Zamboni driver Joe was a very smart man I'll miss you Joe but I'll never forget you RIP

Ron Masters - May 23, 2025 at 01:39 PM

JM

“ One of the best guys I've ever met and a great friend, mentor, and brother. The world is less bright with him gone. Rest in peace, Brother. I will miss you and always remember you

Jacob Murrie - May 22, 2025 at 11:14 PM

GJ

“ God daughter Jkayla purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Mr. Joseph Franklin Bricker Jr..



God daughter Jkayla - May 22, 2025 at 10:43 PM

GJ

“ God daughter Jkayla planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Joseph Franklin Bricker Jr..

God daughter Jkayla - May 22, 2025 at 10:43 PM

MM

“ Rest easy brother in law I will miss our little love and hate spats we had so much fun teasing each other . love you and miss you much You done well



mary march - May 22, 2025 at 08:05 PM

DZ

“ I am so sorry to hear joe passed we got to know each other and become friends working security. he will be missed be his blue moon brothers

Dennis zehr - May 22, 2025 at 07:29 PM

JD

“ Rest In Peace Joe. See you on the other side.

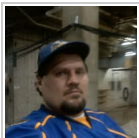


Jerry JD Davis - May 22, 2025 at 01:23 PM

BC

“ I can't believe it. He was my neighbor. He was my Friend. I will miss you, my Brother.

Bob Cheesman - May 22, 2025 at 09:39 AM



“ I will miss the times when me and lefty was down at Peoria Civic Center taking care of the hockey ice. We will miss you very much.

Donald Collins - May 21, 2025 at 09:33 PM