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Joseph George Bart, 76, of Decatur passed away 2:30 P.M. Thursday, February 18, 2010 in his home.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Monday, February 22, 2010 in St. John's Lutheran Church, 2727 N. Union Street, Decatur with Pastor Richard Krenzke officiating. Visitation will be from 9:00 - 11:00 A.M. Monday in the church. Burial will be in St. John's Lutheran Cemetery. Memorials may be made to St. John's Lutheran Church or Macon Resources.

Joe was born in Decatur on October 26, 1933, the middle son of William and Helen Kopetz Bartuschewski. On December 31, 1954 he married Audrey Douglas.

He enjoyed over two years in the Naval Reserves, before spending two years in the Army, serving in Germany. For twenty years he worked at Superior Welding and under Keystone Industries, became President of Union Iron Works, a sister company. He later became a partner and Executive Vice President of Kopetz, Inc.

Joe was a devout Christian, loved classical music, and designing and building with stainless steel. His pride and joy was growing many varieties of grapes and making wine. He and Audrey traveled in all fifty states and over thirty foreign countries. All of his "Barn Buddies" will be missed.

Surviving are his wife, Audrey, daughters, Jacki Bart of Decatur; Janatha David Thrasher of Decatur; and Julie Frank Dunmire of Macon; grandchildren, Bart and Chelsea Dunmire, and brother, Stephen Bart.

His parents and brother, Robert preceded him in death.

The family of Joseph George Bart is being served by Moran & Goebel Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 2801 N. Monroe Street, Decatur, IL.



## Tribute Wall

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BD

**Bart Dunmire** posted:

The greatest man I have ever known..... The best Grandfather a boy could ask for.... He is greatly missed. I love you Grandma. Normal, IL

July 28 at 7:00 PM

MC

**Mark Colbert** posted:

Dear Audrey and Family,I was so sorry to hear about Joe's passing.I always liked him and enjoyed talking to him.I am also proud to have had him as my godfather in fact,I still have the double curve Bear bow he gave me for confirmation.We all will miss him. Mark Colbert Decatur, IL US

February 25 at 7:00 PM

DT

**Dick & Evelyn Taylor** posted:

Dear Audrey and FamilyVery sad to hear about Joe's passing. We have always been around the Bart family both in school and church. He will be missed by so many people. Bonita Springs, FL US

February 21 at 7:00 PM

MM

**Mac And Theresa Morey** posted:

We were so sorry to hear about Joe.He was a wonderful man and great boss. Really cared about people.Our thoughts and prayers are withyou. , IL US

February 21 at 7:00 PM

RT

**Ray Tertocha** posted:

I am sadend to here about the passing away of my dear friend Joe.We went to school together for 12 Years,and even took a math test in high school together and just barley passed it by copying off of each others paper.when the teacher left the room in high school.,and played cards together.for a good many years,till I moved to Texas. Joe was alway available to help you with any thing you needed it. I remember all the times we went to the park to eat out when our children were young,and all thre good times we had together. He will be surely be missed.your friend for everRay "Billy" Tertocha Alamo, TX US

February 20 at 7:00 PM



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JC

**Joan Colbert** posted:

Dear Audrey and Family, Please accept my sincerest sympathy on the loss of your husband and father. He was always a lot of fun to be around and certainly gave what help he could when we needed it. He surely will be missed by all. Joan Colbert Decatur, IL US

February 20 at 7:00 PM

HC

**Henry W. Colbert** posted:

Dear Audrey and Family, Words cannot begin to describe how deeply saddened we were on hearing of Joe's passing. Our friendship began in the first grade at the old St. Johns and has endured for 70 years since then. Pleasant Memories too many to count from going all through school together to working at Superior Welding, the Naval Reserves on up to the CREMO club and associates meetings at the barn. Joe was always there to help you or anybody that needed it. He would help, fix or make whatever you needed and never would accept any payment of any kind. He surely will be missed by many friends he left behind. Henry "Ching" Colbert Decatur, IL US

February 20 at 7:00 PM

BC

**Bob Curry Jr.** posted:

Dear Audrey and Family, I was saddened to hear of Joe's passing. He was a great man and will be missed by many. I have known Joe for most of my life and have learned many things from him. Most of all, his appreciation of life and how he enjoyed it no matter what hand he was dealt. I have counted on Joe for many years to help me with some very complicated projects in the plant and he was always there to help. He seemed to enjoy helping anyone who asked for it. He tackled every project with his common sense approach using his vast knowledge and experience along with his sense of humor and his smile. He will be missed by everyone here at Union Iron. May God bless you and your family during this time and always. Bob Curry Jr. Union Iron Works Decatur, IL US

February 19 at 7:00 PM

CH

**Catherine Heiden** posted:

Audrey & family, I am so sorry to read of Joe's death. We know he's in a wonderful place but that doesn't diminish how much you all will miss him. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time. Love, one of your Wittenberg cousins, Catherine Effingham, IL US

February 18 at 7:00 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Joseph by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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