



Louis Joseph "Lou" Feriozzi

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Decatur - Louis Joseph Feriozzi of Decatur, IL, passed away March 12, 2023 at age 89.

Lou was born June 5, 1933 in Decatur, IL to Federico and Agnese (DeAngelis) Feriozzi. He married Winnie "Cookie" Powell on December 2, 1950.

With the mind and mechanical aptitude of an engineer, Lou's career spanned 39 years at A. E. Staley Mfg. Co. He also spent countless years building homes in Decatur for himself and others, and that love of craftsmanship spilled into helping with household and car projects for his family and friends. He was a man of great faith that attended St. Patrick's Grade School and St. Teresa High School and was a charter member of Our Lady of Lourdes. A son of immigrants, he was proud of his Italian heritage and happy to practice speaking Italian with everyone he could. He was very proud of his family and all of their accomplishments. He spent a lot of time at games, shows, and events for his family, quietly critiquing the coaching and competition and, only sometimes, sleeping. He taught his family to understand his low, mumbling voice, and many adopted it too, leaving outsiders often confused with the family vernacular. With his bright smile and contagious laughter, he let those around him know what was actually funny. He is well loved and his mischief, sarcasm, and pride will be sorely missed.

Lou is survived by his wife, Cookie of Decatur, IL; children, Mike Feriozzi of Springfield, IL, Jeannie (Mike) Scholz of Maryville, IL, Jim (Lisa) Feriozzi of Decatur, IL, Tom (Donna) Feriozzi of Decatur, IL, and John (Lisa) Feriozzi of Mt. Zion, IL; grandchildren, Tony (Laura) Feriozzi, Jeff (Amy) Feriozzi, Sarah (Jeff) Stunkel, Justin (Tricia) Scholz, Adam (Laura) Feriozzi, Allison (Ben) Feriozzi, Kate (Tyler) Fleming, Samantha (Roger) Panches, Angela (Matt) Larson, Vincent Feriozzi, and Natalie Feriozzi; and 18 great-grandchildren.

Lou was preceded in death by his parents; son, Patrick Feriozzi; siblings, Frances Herrera and Joseph Feriozzi; special aunt, Angela Martina; and many cherished cousins and family members.



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The Feriozzi family would like to thank the kind staff at Fair Havens for their compassionate care and support.

Services will be private. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the American Cancer Society, a cause Lou was passionate about due to his late son Pat's battle.

Memories and condolences may be shared at www.moranandgoebel.com.



Events

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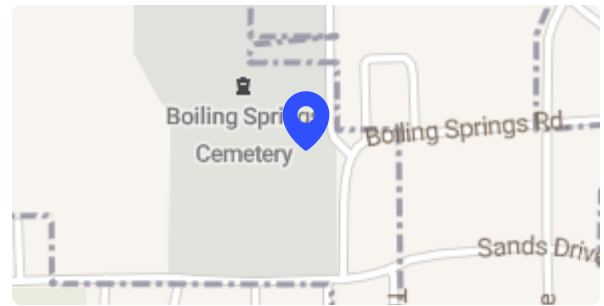
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Cemetery Details



Boiling Springs Cemetery

2418 Boiling Springs Rd, Decatur IL 62524





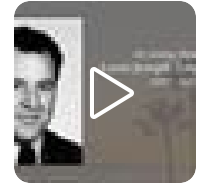
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Donna Kileen posted:

Mike, we just heard about your dad's passing this morning at Mass. So many memories from the "Karcher connection" when we were all little kids and my dad built houses with yours and worked at Staley's for YEARS. And later on from the "Kileen connection" when you worked with John at MJ&J. Your parents are great people...hardworking family folks who were salt of the earth. You and Cookie have our sincere condolences. God bless you all. (Our thoughts are with Laura and her family too.)
Donna and John Kileen

March 22 at 5:01 AM



Mike Feriozzi March 22 at 10:29 AM
Donna, yep, great memories. all of them! Thanks much.MJF



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Dennis Forbes posted:

I met Lou in 1971. Our offices were on the 5th floor of the starch packing house (20Bldg.) at Staley's. We were separated by a sliding glass window between our desks for years, so we communicated frequently. On numerous occasions we would have discussions. He always was thinking about the success of his department and the company. We didn't always agree or see eye to eye but I knew from Lou I could always depend on getting a straight answer. Often he would leave and return later to finish the conversation. Lol. Lou found out that I knew something about color TV's. Many times he would be waiting on me to talk about his TV. He was always ready to learn something new and try to fix things without help. He didn't like not knowing how things worked which included the products he produced. He would always quiz me about the technical side of the products we produced. We spent many hours in staff meetings together reporting on how things were going in our area and receiving instruction on what we would be doing in the future. Things were not always as good as we would like but we could always depend on Lou working on fixing issues. I think some of these problems made us a better team. Christine and I have been involved with the Feriozzi Family for many years. Pat built the house next door and we visited a lot! He did the finish work in our downstairs. We wanted a craftsman. Of course he also built 2 more houses on our street for Jennie, Mike and John and Lisa. I know Lou was very proud of his family. Lou was part of a group of the old line of Staley supervisors; a group of dedicated, hard working and reliable individuals. Every so often I think about this group and realize that I'm one of the few still living. Personally I have lost a large number of my friends. I moved from the Starch Division 40 years ago and still consider them all as friends. This is the group that helped me through my career at Staley's. Cookie I think I met you a few times at Staley functions. I would like to offer my condolences for your loss of Louie, a good friend. He and I will meet at God's staff meeting someday. Dennis Forbes

March 12 at 3:39 PM



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Al Rennert posted:

I want to thank God for Louis and the wonderful family he and Cookie established. Their influence on the students of St. Teresa High School was provided not just by their physical support but by the young men and woman who graced their halls after being raised under their roof. I once asked Louis how he could spend a shift at Staley's, build houses when he got home, raise a fine family and do it all well. He said I have a great wife and I never had to worry about what went on at home. She was a good manager of children and finances. I worked with him and for him at Staley's and realized that despite his quiet nature, his standards of quality, fiscal responsibility and personal integrity were so strong that they permeated the division he served. I remember that he was intolerant of certain types of off-color literature and promised to destroy it and "write up" the purveyors. He was dedicated to the success of the company and understood that the efficiencies he demanded would benefit us all. All you Feriozzis are testimony to your leader, Louis, the culture he established and your choices to continue his legacy. Gratefully, Al Rennert

March 17 at 7:14 AM

MC

Margret Cuttill March 24 at 8:39 AM

What a wonderful testimony of a remarkable man! Margret

MJ

Mjf March 17 at 11:17 AM

Thank you, Al!! He demonstrated inner strength as well as physical strength, dignity, and remarkable courage in several difficult and extraordinary situations and life circumstances. He was an American and human! Bless you, M J Feriozzi

TS

The Estell's posted:

Holding you all in our thoughts and prayers, our condolences go out to the Feriozzi family. Leonard and Beverly Estell

March 16 at 12:47 AM

CB

Charlyn Brautigam posted:

The Feriozzi name is synonymous with kindness and generosity. Anyone lucky enough to share a pizza or a breakfast after an early morning Sunday Mass with Lou and Cookie knows how proud he was of his faith, Italian heritage and the large family they both raised together with love and examples of hard work and determination. Lou Feriozzi was a humble and gifted craftsman willing to help anyone in need. It's no wonder that any mention of the Feriozzi name always brings comments of admiration, praise and respect. Charlyn Brautigam

March 14 at 2:58 PM



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Cinda K Armstrong-Williams lit a candle in honor of Louis.

Cookie, My sincerest condolences for you at this time. You have my deepest sympathy. Wishing you peace, comfort, courage, and lots of love at this time of sorrow. My heart goes out to you & your family!

March 12 at 3:39 PM



Cookie March 24 at 11:57 PM

Thank you Margret



Margret Mundo March 13 at 6:43 AM

So sorry to hear of Louis' passing, Cookie! May all your children, grandchildren & great grandchildren surround you with love & share those many, many memories you all made together w/Louis, give you all comfort & joy. Knowing that Louis & Pat are together is a wonderful thought! My favorite memory was learning that although Louis was generally a quiet man, when he did speak at work, people knew to listen because he had something important to say. I, also, liked how his eyes crinkled when he smiled and he appeared to be filled with joyous mirth!:-) Blessings! Margret Mundo



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Memories only last if you share them

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



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