



## Joseph T. Register Jr.

January 10, 2021

Joseph T. Register Jr., 73, passed away on January 10, 2021. Joe was a loving, husband, father, friend to many and never knew a stranger. Joe was the son of the late Dorothy M. Register and Joseph T. Register, Sr. He was predeceased by his son, James Warren Register. Joe was a native of Portsmouth, raised in Cradock and went to Cradock High and was a life-time member of Cradock Presbyterian Church. Joe's career encompasses serving four years in the Navy, he retired from the Portsmouth Fire Department as a Master Fire Fighter, Maryview Hospital Security and Loving Funeral Home.

Joe is survived by his wife of 34 years Holly D. Register; sister Judy R. Kah and husband Paul; children, Joseph T. Register III, Natasha A. McCarty and husband Mark, Mary Elena Register, and Masha Register; grandchildren Joseph W. Register, Nathan J. Register and Emma Marie McCarty; great-grandson, Joseph W. Register, Jr. and his devoted pet, playmate and best friend Charlie Register.

He was a member of Lake Drummond Masonic Lodge #178, a member of the Khedive Shrine Temple where he served as the Past Potentate (2012), Mid Atlantic Shrine Association Past President (2020), Drum & Bugle Corp, Provost Guard, Van Driver for the Shriners Children's Hospital, Khedive Carts, Joe and Holly attend Centenary United Methodist Church in Portsmouth.

A memorial service with Rev. John Cole, II officiating will be held at 2pm Friday at the Khedive Shrine Center 645 Woodlake Drive Chesapeake, VA 23320. Burial will be private at the Albert G. Horton Veteran Cemetery in Suffolk.

Memorial contribution may be made in Joe's memory to the Shriners Children's Hospitals in care of the Khedive Shrine Temple.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JAN 15. 2:00 PM (ET)

Khediye Shrine Center  
645 Woodlake Drive  
Chesapeake, VA 23320

# Tribute Wall

AG

“ *Very sorry to hear about Joe's passing. He was one of the first guys I got to work with at the fire station. He was a mentor to all who came through and he will be missed.*

Andrew Gray - February 02, 2021 at 01:13 PM

LJ

“ *Liz & Jeff Jochens purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Joseph T. Register Jr..*



Liz & Jeff Jochens - January 20, 2021 at 12:10 PM

LD

“ *Holly I am so sorry for your loss. I pray that God will comfort you and your family in your time of grief. Lois Davis*

lois davis - January 16, 2021 at 11:10 AM

DR

“ *Dear Holly, Natasha, Elena, Masha, and Joey  
Joe is the most beautiful person I have ever met in my life. He was the paramount of love, kindness, caring, and unconditional compassionate person on this earth. Joe loved all of you to the moon and back 100x over. He will be missed forever. I know you will remember all the wonderful times you got to spend with him. Joe was a great man.*

*I send to all of you my greatest respect and love.  
I'm so sorry for your loss of Joe. We all loved him.  
Dottie Reish and family*

Dottie Reish - January 16, 2021 at 09:48 AM

CH

“ *Holly and family you are in my prayers for peace and comfort at this difficult time. I have such fond memories of Joe as a neighbor and security at Maryview. He had such an engaging personality, knew no strangers and was an open book. An honest, respectful and sincere man. He was dedicated to his faith, family, friends and special interest. He will be greatly missed by many. I am so sorry for your loss and hope you find comfort in your special memories. Cathy Haskett*

Cathy M Haskett - January 15, 2021 at 06:00 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joseph T. Register Jr..



January 15, 2021 at 10:42 AM

SG

“ Holly, Natasha, Elana, Masha and all of Joe's family our prayers are with you. With the love of Jesus. Steve, Kim and Matthew Glover

Steven Glover - January 15, 2021 at 06:29 AM

SM

“ Joe was like sunshine. Bright and warm always. Working with him at Maryview was awesome. When he was there you felt safe and protected. Everyone's life was better that met Joe. He was always talking about the children or Holly and the unique love they shared. I am so sorry that this loss and pain has been thrust upon you. Know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. Stephanie Marangoni

stephanie marangoni - January 14, 2021 at 08:40 PM

SR

Dear Holly,  
Many years have passed but I still fondly remember you and Joe. Always a smile on his face and a friendly word to share.  
He was devoted to his family, friends, and community.  
Please take comfort in your memories. We all are the better for Joe's presence among us.  
With sincere condolences,  
Susan Reynolds

Susan Reynolds - January 18, 2021 at 01:49 AM

GZ

“ Holly. I am so sorry .sending love and prayers. Dale and I are so sorry love Gail and Dale Zirk

gail zirk - January 14, 2021 at 04:53 PM

TC

“ Holly, Joe was a very caring man, who was both sympathetic and empathetic to those around him. When I think of Joe it puts a smile on my face.  
With Sympathy,  
Tom Carter

Tom Carter - January 14, 2021 at 12:23 PM

SH

“ I'm so sorry to learn of Joe's passing. Joe and I worked together for many years at Maryview and I feel fortunate to have known him. At work he always handled situations professionally and calmly but what I think of most when I think of Joe is he was a devoted family man. I never saw Joe when he didn't mention Holly and/or his children. He was a proud dad and granddad. Holly and family, I'm so sorry for your loss and will keep you in prayer during this difficult time.  
~Sherry Hill

Sherry Hill - January 14, 2021 at 12:11 PM

WS

“ I have many memories of working with Joe at Maryview. My heartfelt sympathy to Holly and all of Joe's loved ones.

Wanda Smith - January 14, 2021 at 10:09 AM

SW

“ Holly and Family - So surprised to see this in the paper today, I got to know Joe working with ya'll on the MASA Conventions at the Virginia Beach Convention Center. He was a great guy and will be dearly missed, praying for you and your family. Sherri Waghalter

Sherri Waghalter - January 14, 2021 at 09:52 AM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Joseph T. Register Jr..



January 14, 2021 at 08:43 AM

BH

“ Holly, our hearts are heavy this morning. Didn't seem real until we read the paper. Joe was one of the best people we know. His charitable contributions seemed endless. God got a good man.

We hope you will understand why we are not at the Memorial service. However, call me anytime for a bottle of wine and I will deliver it and raise a glass to a super guy!

Bobbie

Barbara Hodsdon - January 14, 2021 at 08:40 AM

PM

“ Holly so sorry to hear about Joe

Paige Mason - January 13, 2021 at 08:21 PM

JH

“ It was a privilege that I had the opportunity to have worked with Joe at Maryview Hospital in the ER , he was always so pleasant when working as one of Maryviews finest in security . Joe always spoke good words of everyone even in a difficult situation .. Holly I'm thinking of you and your family !!

Jeryl Carr Howell

jeryl Carr Howell - January 13, 2021 at 04:53 PM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Joseph T. Register Jr..



January 13, 2021 at 01:14 PM

EH

“ I worked with Joe Register for many years at Maryview Hospital. He was an excellent employee and a very caring person. He loved his family and his Community. Prayers for his family and Rest in Peace my good friend.  
Edward Hutto

Edward Hutto - January 13, 2021 at 11:20 AM

LW

“ I worked many years with Joe at MMC.He was always so nice and just a great guy. My sympathy to Holly and his family❤️

Lavada Werner - January 13, 2021 at 07:11 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joseph T. Register Jr..



January 13, 2021 at 12:02 AM

MW

“ So sorry to hear about Joe’s passing! He was a wonderful person!! Prayers for his wife Holly and the family! God bless!

Melody and Bill Wagner - January 12, 2021 at 10:27 PM

TF

“ The Labrecque Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Joseph T. Register Jr..



The Labrecque Family - January 12, 2021 at 10:23 PM

EE

“ So sorry to learn of Joe’s passing. He was a good friend at Maryview, and we all enjoyed working with him. Our thoughts and prayers are with all that Joe’s kindness touched.

Ella Eskey

Ella Eskey - January 12, 2021 at 06:53 PM

SL

“ We are sending Prayers for you Holly and family for your great loss. I did not know Joe very long. He was always very pleasant. I will miss seeing him and talking to him.

Jim and Sherry Layton

Sherry and Jim Layton - January 12, 2021 at 02:49 PM

LW

“ Worked with Joe at Maryview for many years, Always friendly and helpful. Prayers of peace and comfort for his family.

Lynn Wynn  
Portsmouth VA

Lynn Wynn - January 12, 2021 at 02:22 PM

ER

“ *What I can say about Joe, he was easy to like, a character, interesting, honest, respectful, adventurous, love people, and happy most of the time. He made you feel comfortable when he was around, he will be missed. I could go on but it is the family that is important now. I am so sorry for your loss, I know you are hurting right now. I pray that you will find comfort in the coming days. Sincerely yours,  
Earl Rohrer*

Earl Rohrer - January 12, 2021 at 11:56 AM

SL

*Had not known Joe very long. He was always pleasant to be around. I will miss seeing his smiling face and talking to him.  
May God bless you Holly and family in this great loss. RIP Joe.*

Sherry and Jim Layton - January 12, 2021 at 02:39 PM

LG

*My deepest sympathy to Holly, the girls, his son and other members of his family. His commitment to his family was unquestionable as was his love for them. Chief among many of his legacies will be that of service to his community and others. Each of us will have our memories of Joe. Many of those will bring a smile and a pleasant memory.  
It was a privilege to have Joe for a friend.  
Holly, thank you for sharing him.  
Rest in peace Joe.*

Linda Glasson

Linda Mae Glasson - January 12, 2021 at 06:34 PM

EW

*Worked with Joe at Maryview for many years. I enjoyed working with him. Sending prayers to Holly and his children  
Eileen Walker*

Eileen Walker - January 12, 2021 at 11:20 PM

CJ

*My deepest sympathy to all of the Family. Joe was a very good friend to my Dad, Haywood Atkins. He even spoke at Daddy's funeral, telling a funny story about them. Joe was one of the nicest men I have known and would do anything to help you. Have some great memories of stories told by him and Daddy. I am sure he will be missed by many people especially his Family.*

Carol Atkins Johnson

carol johnson - January 13, 2021 at 06:42 AM

MB

*Terry and I send our deepest sympathy to Joe's family. Like my sister said above, Joe was a great friend of my Dad. Joe was definitely one of the nicest people I have ever met. I was reminded this morning about when Joe played Santa at the Khedive Temple which my dad was also a member. My grandson was very young & when Joe saw him "Santa" called him over by a nickname only my Dad ever called him. That got some wide eyes from my grandson for sure. I know Joe will be missed by many. My thoughts and prayers go out for his family & the close friends he leaves behind. 🙏🙏🙏*

*Terry and Margie Atkins Boggs*

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**Margie Atkins Boggs** - January 13, 2021 at 08:21 AM

DB

*So sorry to hear this sad news. Our condolences to the family. We were long time family friends and go back a long way to the old days when all our families went to Cradock Presbyterian Church...Joe will be truly missed.  
The Boothe Family, Jacksonville, FL*

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**Don Boothe** - January 13, 2021 at 06:15 PM