

Joseph B. Zanco, Sr.

July 4, 1949 - August 2, 2010

Joseph B. Zanco Sr., age 61, passed away on Monday, August 2, 2010. He was a 34 year resident of St. Bernard Parish and a post-Katrina resident of Hammond. A sergeant in the U.S. Army, he served our country during the Vietnam War in 1968 and 1969. He earned a bronze star, two purple hearts, and numerous other distinguished medals due to his outstanding service. Joseph was a black belt in Karate and an avid outdoorsman, enjoying both fishing and hunting.

Joseph leaves behind his wife of 41 years, Cathy Zanco; two children, Joseph Zanco, Jr. and wife Ashley, Jena Gemar and husband Peter, along with his precious grandchildren, Sabrina and Abby Zanco and Preston Gemar. He is also survived by his siblings, Tommy, Coca, Sal and Lily, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Thomas and Estella Zanco.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral service from the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home, west of Hammond, on Saturday, August 7, 2010 at 12 noon, with visitation beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Condolences and other information are available online at www.thompsoncare

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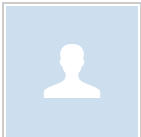
Arrangements have been entrusted to Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home of Hammond.

Tribute Wall



“ Joe and I first met at the VA New Orleans, from that moment on we bond. Joe never met a stranger, he was thoughtful and kindhearted. We would take walks together, and talked about everyday life and how blessed we were to have a family that cared about us. one of my most treasured moments was the day Joe , Carl and I had dinner at Carlos and Rockys in St. Bernard Parrish, Joe talked to everyone there we had a good time, then afterwards we had the opportunity to visit with Joe's wife Cathy and Jena, observed his gun collections etc. I met Joe Jr prior to leaving New Orleans, Joe Sr was truly proud of him. We talked regularly on the phone and discussed plans to go fishing, hunting, etc. We wrote each from time to time and I thank GOD that I keep all his letters, not just because Joe wrote them, but of his artistic talent, see all the letters I received had drawings on them. He's a brother that will truly be missed. My only regret is not fulfilling our plans. I will not say good bye, but so long for now till we meet again my Brother.##imported-begin##Moses A. McIntosh, JR.##imported-end##

August 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Joe, The family and I will truly miss you. Rest in peace my brother. I will cherish the memories. Soldier On!!##imported-begin##Moses A. McIntosh, JR.##imported-end##

August 08, 2010 at 05:11 PM



“ I'm sorry for your lost. I'll keep your family in my prayers.##imported-begin##kenneth I. scott##imported-end##

August 07, 2010 at 10:09 PM



“ Aunt Cathy, Joe, and Jena we are very sorry that we could not be there. Uncle Joe was always a hero to me. I looked up to him as a person that I always wanted to be like, someone who was strong in the face of all that he lived with. I will miss him and hope for peace for all of you.##imported-begin##Tammy Luostari##imported-end##

August 07, 2010 at 12:02 PM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. Rest in peace Joe. Your family will be in our prayers.##imported-begin##Chris & Jane Doseff##imported-end##

August 07, 2010 at 02:50 AM



“ I was blessed and honored to care for Mr. Joe over the past few years. I know his suffering was great. Surely, he is in heaven now, no longer in pain. He always called me his angel. Now he is my angel. I pray that Mrs. Cathy and his family find peace and comfort. I will miss him very much.

Love,
Paula Fontana

Love,
Paula Fontana##imported-begin##Paula Fontana##imported-end##

August 06, 2010 at 11:57 PM



“ Cathy,

Keith and I are sorry that we can't be there with you to try and help you through this tough time, but please know that you, Lil Joe, and Gina are definitely in our heart and in our prayers. We love you and wish we could make things better for you.##imported-begin##Hilda Hartmann##imported-end##

August 06, 2010 at 09:13 PM



“ Pete and Jena, we are so sorry to hear of your loss. We extend our deepest sympathy in this time on need. My God bless you and your family.##imported-begin##Kent & Suzanne Achord##imported-end##

August 06, 2010 at 08:01 PM



“ We are so sorry to hear of your loss. We extend our deepest sympathy.##imported-begin##Neyland Family##imported-end##

August 06, 2010 at 11:55 AM



“ I will miss you... Talking to you helped me make it through my life. Joe, I loved you with all my heart and will always love you till the day I die. How will I make it with out you?

With eternal love, your sister Coca.##imported-begin##Coca Hartman##imported-end##

August 05, 2010 at 02:37 PM



“ So very sorry to hear of Joe's passing. May God bless Joe and grant him peace. And may God wrap his loving arms around Joe's family to comfort you in this time of sorrow... and always!###imported-begin###Rose Vincens###imported-end##

August 05, 2010 at 10:27 AM



“ I worked with Joe at Winn Dixie for many years. He has always stayed close to my heart. He taught me so much. We had alot of good times together. I have missed him since he retired. Mr. Frank Ruppet will be waiting for Joe in Heaven. God Bless You and Your Family.###imported-begin###Keith Spindel###imported-end##

August 04, 2010 at 10:56 PM



“ *Sal & Joe & Family*

Know that we are remembering you and honoring Joseph's memory.

Joseph will continue to live on in your heart forever.

Joseph spent his life serving others.

God Honors giving of self.

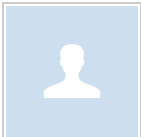
God gave His Son JESUS so that in giving He would receive many sons into Glory as he has received His Son Joseph Zanco.

"Our hearts go out to you in your time of sorrow."

Please accept our heartfelt prayers for your loss. Our prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.

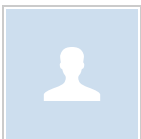
May God's Presence be with you and His Grace strengthen you and His Spirit comfort you.##imported-begin##Rev. DeWayne & Kathleen & Chance & Christa##imported-end##

August 04, 2010 at 06:28 PM



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August 04, 2010 at 03:06 PM



“ *Joe and family, I am so sorry to hear about your dad. I know you will miss him but as we both know there is a better place where there is no more pain. May he rest in peace.##imported-begin##Kristin Labbe##imported-end##*

August 04, 2010 at 12:09 PM



“ hi cathy and family..i am cj coca's best friend..coca and i spoke of joe alot..she was always hurt for all that has been thru..and i no it's a big lost for all of you..i am so very sorry for yours and your family's lost...###imported-begin###cj clesi###imported-end##

August 04, 2010 at 04:56 AM



“ Joe will be missed very much. I'm sorry I was not able to visit with him more often but we talked alot on the phone - I will miss those conversations.

Sal Zanco###imported-begin###Sal and Mary Zanco###imported-end##

August 04, 2010 at 12:16 AM



“ We have known and loved Joe for over 38 years. He is at peace with God and we wish peace for Cathy, Jena & Joe, Jr.###imported-begin###Art & Shari McDowell###imported-end##

August 03, 2010 at 07:54 PM



“ I am sorry for your loss, Joe. Your family will be in Misty, Christian, Briley and my prayers.###imported-begin###Mark Herpin###imported-end##

August 03, 2010 at 03:22 PM