



Joe Saia

January 1, 1925 - June 18, 2014

Joseph S. "Joe" Saia, 89, Topeka, passed away Wednesday, June 18, 2014. Joe was born January 1, 1925, in Delia, Kansas, the son of Joseph and Christina Kalcik Saia, and graduated from Delia High School in 1942. He served our country as a gunner's mate in the Armed Guard of the US Navy on convoy duty in the Atlantic during WWII. On October 1, 1949, Joe and Adeline Schreiner were united in marriage at Holy Name Church enjoying almost 65 years together. Joe was a civil servant working as a medical technician at the Topeka VA Hospital for over 30 years. He was a member of Holy Name Church and the Knights of Columbus, Council No. 534 and the James W. Gibbons Fourth Degree Assembly. Survivors include Joe's wife, Adeline; children, Karen Morrow (Chuck), Joe Saia (Glenda Taylor) and Tony Saia (Kris); grandchildren, Dillon Dreher (Michelle Albano), Lindy Brewer (Jeff); and great-grandchildren, Nolan Brewer, Jalen Moore, Camden Brewer, and Talia Dreher. He was preceded in death by his parents and siblings, Vic, Pauline and Josephine. Family will greet friends from 5-7 p.m. Friday at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614, where there will be a Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree chalice ceremony and rosary at 6:30 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Holy Name Church. Burial will follow in Mount Calvary Cemetery, Memorial contributions are suggested to Mater Dei School, 934, SW Clay Street, Topeka KS 66606.

Tribute Wall



“ Joe Saia

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ Saia Family

I just learned of Joe's passing. I'm so sorry we missed the services. I have such great memories of Joe. He and my dad would always tease Jane when she was cheerleading at Hayden basketball games. I bought my first shotgun from Joe. I used it, my kids used it, and now my grandson is using it. Jane and I will miss him. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.
Jerry & Jane Young

Jerry Young - June 24, 2014 at 06:46 PM



“ I will remember Joe Saia, whenever I think of Holy Name. I remember watching our dads tease each other and then laugh. He was one of the nicest men I have known. You had such a beautiful tribute to him. He made me a wooden plaque with Jesus's name on it. I will always cherish it. Karen

Karen Gardner Strobel - June 24, 2014 at 09:47 AM



“ Adeline, we are so sad to hear about Joe's passing. We just opened our email last night so we were unable to attend the funeral. We always remember Joe's front porch sitting and his smiling face. We miss being you neighbors!

Andy and Sara Schafer - June 24, 2014 at 08:32 AM

JG

“ I have no doubt that Joe and my Dad (Ivan Gish) are together in heaven! It gives me great comfort that they are together again! They were the best of friends!

Jeannie Gish - June 23, 2014 at 10:14 AM

RD

“ Karen: Please accept my apology. I'm just now opening my e-mail and noticed your Father passed away. I'm sorry I even missed the wake and your Father's mass. Please except our condolences and know that he will be remembered in my daily prayers. Peace and Love, Ray & Lola Delgado

Ray & Lola Delgado - June 22, 2014 at 10:11 AM

RS

“ To the Saia Family,
Hayden Catholic High School has lost a great friend, but gained a fan in heaven. I can remember most of those years that Joe and Ivan Gish attended Wildcat games, from the 70's to the 2000's. They always had a kind word and a big smile. The prayers of our community are with you.
God Bless,

Rick Strecker - June 21, 2014 at 07:22 PM

DT

“ Yes, he was an admirable man, he was my godfather. Heartfelt condolence to the family.

Donna Jo Tann - June 21, 2014 at 06:07 PM

JL

“ I didn't know Mr. Saia well but still remember him as our biggest fan and most loyal supporter when I played basketball at Hayden over a decade ago. No matter where we played or how much we were struggling he was always the first one in the gym and always had a kind word for us whenever we saw him. He was truly a kind and generous man that my teammates and I always felt lucky to have in our corner. He will be dearly missed.

Joe Leiker - June 20, 2014 at 04:37 PM

MH

“ It was with great sadness that I read the obituary in the paper this morning. Adeline, you and Joe meant so much to my mother, Odelia Mick, and over the years you shared so many good times together. I myself remember good times with you both. Bob and I and Dee send you are thoughts, prayers and condolences at this time of your loss of Joe. Bet the Lord was happy to have him home in heaven!

Marylee Hamilton - June 20, 2014 at 04:35 PM

SB

“ Karen and Chuck,
My deepest condolences goes to you and your family on the passing of your father, Joe. May all the memories and laughter that you shared with your dad, last you a lifetime. My prayers are with you.

Sandy (Ingenthron) Benge - June 20, 2014 at 03:57 PM

LB

“ Karen & Chuck,
This is not the easiest time for anyone with the loss of a love one. You have my sincere and deepest condolence and sorrow for your loss. My prayers are with both of you. May God bless!

Lero

LeRoy Butler - June 20, 2014 at 03:28 PM

MK

“ Adeline and family,

We are so sorry to hear of Joe's passing. I know he has had a difficult time lately. We will pray for Joe and all the family to find peace and celebrate his life.

With all our love,

Ed, Marie, Ian, Daniel, Bryce and Michael Kalas

Marie Kalas - June 20, 2014 at 12:21 PM

CY

“ Max and I send sincerely sympathies to the family in your loss. Joe will be remembered for his service to his country, his service to vets via the V.A. Hospital, and as a husband and a father. My dad also served in the Navy during WWII, and worked from the early '50s until he retired in 1978 as a barber at Topeka's VA Hospital. I'll have to check with him, but I'm guessing the two may have known each other and had much in common to chat about. Having worked with Glenda and met her husband, Joe, at many opportunities, I'd like send them and the entire Saia family my thoughts and condolences.

Carol Yoho - June 20, 2014 at 10:03 AM

HE

“ Adeline & family.....I was so sad to read of Joe's passing but within a minute a smile appeared as I thought of how him & dad are probably already conspiring and both of them laughing at what they may get away with....Love & prayers to all of you, Mary Kay (Grace) Hendrickson

Hendrickson - June 20, 2014 at 09:47 AM

KM

“ Tony and all of the family,
I am so sorry for your loss and hope you can find comfort in your faith and in knowing your Dad is no longer suffering. I have fond memories of your Dad at all of the Hayden games. Most of all, ushering my Dad to our family on Christmas Eve as he joined us from work for mass for many, many years - that made your dad part of my family as well. Always with a friendly smile & fun sense of humor. A great man.

Kathy McKee - June 20, 2014 at 09:40 AM