



## Joseph Carmen DeFrank

November 6, 1925 - September 3, 2019

Joseph Carmen DeFrank, of Carneys Point, passed away peacefully on September 3, 2019 at Friends Village, Woodstown. He was 93.

Born in Penns Grove, NJ on November 6, 1925, he was the son of the late Giuseppe and Maria (Cocco) DeFrank. Joe was a 1943 graduate of Penns Grove Regional High School. He was drafted into the Army in February 1944 and served in the 898th Field Army Battalion in the European Theater. After being honorably discharged as a Private First Class in May 1946, Joe went to work for E.I. DuPont at the Deepwater Chambers Works site. Two years later, he enlisted in the Air Force and was stationed in Japan with the 1401st Flight Operations Group and the 1402nd Maintenance Squadron, where he served as a sheet metal worker and flight mechanic during the Korean War. He was honorably discharged in November 1952, having attained the rank of Staff Sergeant. Joe returned to work at DuPont and retired in 1991 after nearly 40 years of service.

Joe was an avid gardener, winemaker, and reader. He also enjoyed doing crossword and jigsaw puzzles and always looked forward to a good game of dominoes or War with his granddaughter, Annemarie.

Joe is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Gina and Charles Abbott; granddaughter, Annemarie Abbott; brothers Dominic and Samuel; sisters Lucy

Connor, Carmella Sickler, and Julia Hogan; sister-in-law, Elvira (Dolly) Bowe; and many nieces and nephews. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife of 65 years, Gloria (on Aug. 21, 2019), brothers Stephen and Gene, and sister Nancy Shaw.

Visitation will be held on Sunday, September 8, 2019 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM and again on Monday, September 9 from 10:30 to 11:30 AM at the Ashcraft Funeral Home, 47 State Street, Penns Grove. Mass of Christian Burial will take place at 12:00 PM on Monday at St. Gabriel the Archangel Parish (Corpus Christi Church), 369 Georgetown Rd., Carneys Point. Interment will be at the Salem County Veterans Cemetery, Pilesgrove. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

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# Cemetery Details

## Salem County Veterans Cemetery

719 NJ-45  
Pilesgrove, NJ 08069

# Previous Events

## Viewing

SEP 8. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Ashcraft Funeral Homes (PG)  
47 State St.  
Penns Grove, NJ 08069  
(856) 299-3366  
ashcraftfuneralhomes@gmail.com  
<https://ashcraftfuneralhomes.com>

## Viewing

SEP 9. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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## Mass

SEP 9. 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Gabriel the Archangel Parish- Corpus Christi RC Church  
369 Georgetown Rd.  
Carneys Point, NJ 08069  
(856) 299-3833

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Gina and Family,  
So sorry for the loss of your father. Your parents are now together  
again.  
Our prayers are with you.  
McNultys*

Don McNulty - September 09, 2019 at 10:54 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of  
Joseph Carmen DeFrank.*



September 07, 2019 at 11:47 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of  
Joseph Carmen DeFrank.*



September 07, 2019 at 12:05 PM

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“ *James Kuss purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet  
for the family of Joseph Carmen DeFrank.*



James Kuss - September 06, 2019 at 09:11 PM