



## Joe Cicchino

December 6, 1944 - September 11, 2022

Joseph Patrick Cicchino was born in Harrison, New Jersey on Wednesday, December 6, 1944, to Joseph and Stephanie (Kaczor) Cicchino. He passed from this life to his eternal home in heaven in Tulsa, Oklahoma on Sunday, September 11, 2022, at the age of 77.

Joe was one of four children born to the Cicchino family. His father had a bit of a colorful occupation, and his mother was a full-time homemaker. He attended school in Harrison, New Jersey and graduated from high school in 1962. He joined the United States Army in 1964. He served active duty for two years until 1966, and then served in a Reserve Unit until 1970. It was during those years that he met the love of his life and eventual life partner, Miss Ellen Donachie. The two were married on May 2, 1971, in Belleville, New Jersey. He enrolled in Community College and received an associate degree. The two of them would eventually become parents to four children, three sons and one daughter.

After his time serving his country and receiving his degree, Joe was hired on as a flooring installer with VAL Flooring Company and worked his way up through the ranks becoming the Executive Vice President of Sales. In 1996, he moved his family to Broken Arrow to attend Rhema Bible College. After graduating from Rhema, he and Ellen began a ministry called Vision of Love Ministries. They were involved in mission work in Haiti, Columbia, England,

and South Korea. This ministry also gave birth to a church located in Coweta, Oklahoma. Known as "Papa Joe" to his grandchildren as well as many other people whose lives he touched, Joe was giving, loving, a wonderful husband, father, and grandfather. His family described him as a prayer warrior (Joe was known for holding a person's hands and looking into their eyes as he prayed for them). He will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

In lieu of flowers or gifts please consider a donation for Ellen's care. Please contact her family for the best way to do this.

Left to cherish his memory are wife, Ellen, of the home

Son, Joseph Cicchino, III of Broken Arrow

Daughter, Valerie Shehan and her husband, Ryan, of Broken Arrow

Son, Kevin Cicchino and his wife, Bianca, of Ohio

Daughter-in-Love, Deanna Archer and her husband, Brian, of Ohio

Sister, Sylvia Pomponi of Harrison, New Jersey

Sister, Laura Alexander of Toms River, New Jersey

Grandchildren: Alec Shehan (Lexy); Kaeris Cicchino; Caleb Jack; Avery

Shehan; Kaedance Cicchino; and Abbey Shehan

And numerous extended family members

Those who preceded him in death are his parents: Joseph and Stephanie Cicchino; son: Patrick Cicchino; and sister: Theresa Cicchino

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

SEP **20**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Hayhurst Funeral Home  
1660 South Elm Place  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012  
(918) 258-9623  
hayhurstfuneralhome@gmail.com

## Graveside Service

SEP **20**. 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Fort Gibson National Cemetery  
1423 Cemetery Rd.  
Fort Gibson, OK 74434  
(918) 478-2334

# Tribute Wall



“ Hayhurst Funeral Home created a Funeral Service in memory of Joe Cicchino



Hayhurst Funeral Home - September 19, 2022 at 09:37 AM

KB

“ I met Joe and his wife and found them to be very open hearted and caring people who had a lot to take care of in their everyday lives. Joe was compassionate and also strong. I will miss his special flavor in this world !

Kathryn Blalock - February 03 at 11:25 AM



“ Joe Cicchino

October 23, 2023 at 01:21 AM

MP

“ Mark & Annette Pomponi purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Joe Cicchino.



Mark & Annette Pomponi - September 14, 2022 at 04:19 PM

ES

“ Elaine And Eric Shehan lit a candle in memory of Joe Cicchino



Elaine and Eric Shehan - September 13, 2022 at 12:56 PM

HH

“ It is our honor and privilege to serve the Cicchino family and to provide this permanent tribute website in memory of Joe.



Hayhurst Funeral Home - September 12, 2022 at 04:08 PM

PG

We missed you when you left N.J. but remember the memories---Island Beach all day, Christmases ,holidays, Myrtle Beach. Good friends , good memories. Rest in Peace. We miss you Irma Thompson, Dottie &Bob Handler, &Pat Gorwood.

Patricia Gorwood - September 18, 2022 at 01:47 PM

JL

We will always remember you and the Family from the Days on Sheila Dr. spending holidays and Church events. And when you moved to Broken Arrow and we were in Texas! The day you met us in the Parking Lot in Broken Arrow before Darlene's Mom had her Dr's appointment. You prayed and laid hands on her and she is still with us Today at 92. That day the Dr. didn't give her much hope but God interceded using YOU!! You have a special place in Heaven! All our love to the whole family... Joe & Darlene LaPilusa

Joe LaPilusa - September 19, 2022 at 06:25 PM

SK

*Allways remember you Joe for your love and friendship and Spagetti dinner, your stay with us in the UK. Time with you both at Rhema and Tulare. Grace with us when we Facetimed you and Ellen not knowing you were in bed. Lots of laughs and love! Till we meet again in heaven!*

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**Susan King** - September 20, 2022 at 02:50 PM

MM

*Thanks for all that you did in God, look forward to seeing you on the other side. Gods peace to your family.*

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**mike mayer** - September 22, 2022 at 03:09 AM